Passaic Valley
Through Our Eyes
2020
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A special shoutout to the PV Custodians and Maintenance Staff! We appreciate the work you do to maintain the school building and keep things running smoothly every season of the year. We wouldn’t be here without you!

Best Wishes,
Class of 2020

Thank you to our Aides and Paras for your devoted and dedicated service in our classrooms. You help us learn, keep us focused, and give us encouragement when we need it most! Thank you for everything!

Love,
Class of 2020
Congratulations to Dr. Susanne Iobst

Dr. Iobst is an amazing teacher, dedicating her time not only to Biology Honors, Chemistry Honors, AP Biology, and Anatomy & Physiology classes, but to the school as a whole, consistently volunteering at school events. Past and present students admire and respect her teaching abilities, as well as her dedication to her students and passion for education. We commend Dr. Iobst on this outstanding achievement.
GUESS THAT

Bitmoji!

1. Knowledge is Power
2. May the Force Be With You
3. GYM TIME
4. Memories
5. So Happy
6. Hi.
7. WEEE!
8. Go Team
Class Officers:

President: Amanda Rausch
Vice President: Maria Flores
Treasurer: Emma Giron
Secretary: Mariana Marques

Class Advisors:

Dr. Iobst and Ms. Quail
Welcome to our Homerooms!

Not Pictured:

Jenna Ayyad
John Bucher
Gianna Cauutoto
Navielyn Gallipoli
Dillon Giannasio
Connor Meletta
Eliza Melville-Farfan
Rumeysa Mert
Abdul Mohuddin
Samantha Ramos
Janesy Ruiz
Aaliyah Watkins
Class Officers

President: Christopher Perez
Vice President: Lia Trewhella
Treasurer: Skylar Smith
Secretary: Alexandra Acevedo
Historian: Gabriella Gutierrez

Class Advisors

Mrs. Joseph and Mr. Feinstein
Welcome to our Homerooms!

Not Pictured:

- Janiri Agudelo
- Arianna Aponte
- Sophia Bermudez
- Aaron Bacon
- Michael Bonefont
- Vincent Capuano
- Emely Castro Sacoto
- Dayalis DeJesus
- Luis Fructuoso-Salmeron
- Melissa Gaita
- Eddionel Gonzalez
- Leonel Holguin Valenzuela
- Derek Jimenez Vega
- Bowen Jiang
- Raymond Kordja
- Lucia Lugo
- Anais Martinez
- Kelly Martinez Mina
- Emily Morales
- Yennifer Nunez-Ramos
- Luis Oliveras
- Dante Potenzione
- Nicolas Pugliese
- Abubakr Ramadan
- Manuel Ramos-Dominguez
- Moya Richards
- Erin Riley
- Sashanti Rivera
- Katherine Spasic
- Jeremy Trinidad
- Dogan Uludogan
- Lylycia Vargas
- Aaliyah Vinces
- Jamiya Walker
- Jayden Walker
- Jaden Wendolowski
Juniors

Class Officers

President: Aliyah Figueroa
Vice President: Antonio Bargiel
Secretary: Brianna Getzoff
Treasurer: Zander Timothy
Historian: Gianna Avagnano

Class Advisors

Mr. Haimowitz and Mrs. Picarelli
JUNIORS

Ashleeya Hauck
Christopher Hiel
Rachael Hilgemberg
Taylor Hill
Tristen Honnick
Cameron Hyde
Nicolas Iacovo
Gianna Irazary
Giovanni Iza

Jeremy Irazary
Raima Islam
Arcangelo Iurato
Leandro Izquierro
Veronica Jankowska
Joseph Janssen
Arianna Jorge
Nicolette Juliano
Colin Kaines

Frank Kalokitis
Daniel Kania
Rebecca Kaspar
Summer KayKay
Christian Kim
Lara Kitta
Betul Koc
Lauren Koman
Fernando Lamb

Anthony LaMura
Victoria Langvin
Alexis LaRusso
Adrian Lavergne
Akram Lechguar
Madison Leech
Matthew Levajac
Thomas Li
Sebastian Lij

Ramadan Lolovic
Miriam Louis
Connie Luna
Nehar Mahmood
Xavier Maliek
Natalie Malone
Ariel Manchino
Salvatore Mancini
Mounier Mans

Vincent Marchese
Reno Marcondo
Pamela Marjana
Perla Marjana
Victoria Marques
Boris Martinez
Leila Matar
Victoria Mazo
Jordyn McColl

William Mehner
Nicholas Minadeo
Gianni Mistretta
Sarah Mitchell
Adrianna Monaco
Lilliana Morel
Kyle Mulholland
Vincent Mucio
Andre Murg
Juniors

Corrie Venturella
Zald Zeldan

Brandon Vieira

Not Pictured:

Isabella Bargiel
Ashley Davis
Antonio De Vincenzo
Shawn Deita
Brianna Dupoux
Anthony Flowers
Sebastian Fernandez
Cristal Fuentes
Fabian Gallego
Julian Garcia
Jhonn Guinansaca
Lana Karmi
Giancarlo Latorre
Brandon Marroquin
Jada Martucci
Michael McGowan
Ruveyda Mert
Kelvin Mersono
Alexandra Mora
Stephanie Paduani-Martello
Teresa Payne
Ryan Phan
Iluminada Rogers
Jazlyn Sanchez
Elayna Soba
Brianna Trewhella
Thank you to our class advisors for such an unforgettable night! We could not be more grateful for your continued support and dedication!

-Class of 2021
Always be willing to learn something new

Dear Class of 2020,

Senior year has passed by quickly, and today you are looking towards the future. Passaic Valley has been your home for the past four years, and during that time, we have purposefully guided you to help you make the best choices for your future endeavors. I know you have considered many options and you all have unique paths ahead, some of which are currently unheard of! It is a truth that the world is open to all of you.

This year Time magazine has chosen a teenager, such as yourself, as Person of the Year. The unassuming Greta Thunberg has channeled her passion for the science of climate, and is striving to make our world a better place for generations to come. Although it may not often seem so, our world is a wonderful place. This complex world can be confusing and hard to navigate, but if you understand now that you may have two or three careers in your lifetime, you will not be surprised when change happens. Always be willing to learn something new, know when to pivot into the challenges ahead of you, do not see these challenges as failures, but rather look to understand how they can help you in the next steps of your life. As long as you hold on to your values, ethics, and integrity, you will know you are making the right choices going forward.

Passaic Valley Regional High School will always be here for you as I hope you will always be here for us. We are headed into our eightieth year in 2020-2021, and we plan to celebrate all of our successes with as many Hornets as possible. Like you, we will also face challenges and will look to our alumni to support our efforts to pivot, grow, and remain a vital part of the community and Passaic County. I wish you only the best of what life has to offer you.

Best Regards,

Dr. JoAnn Cardillo, Superintendent
A high school career is like a journey

Dear Class of 2020,

First, as a newcomer to Passaic Valley High School this past fall, I thank each and every one of you for warmly welcoming me into the PV community. Since I arrived, I have been impressed by how our three communities of Little Falls, Totowa and Woodland Park come together under the banner of Hornet Pride.

A high school career is like a journey: you start in one place, and you leave four years older, in a very different place. I wasn't here when you arrived as freshmen in September 2016, but many of you were probably a little scared and a little unsure of where your high school career might lead you. Since that time, I know that most of you have used your time here well, immersing yourself in our extensive curriculum and participating in the many clubs and activities that Passaic Valley High School offers. I know you have also benefited from knowledge, wisdom and guidance from our dedicated staff.

You are now a young adult, ready to embrace the next challenge, whether it be in college, in the workforce, or in the military. Your school work and activities here have prepared you well for this new stage of your life. With focus, dedication and hard work, I know you will succeed.

I wish you the very best of luck. Don't forget the Green and White, and remember it's always a great day to be a Hornet!

Sincerely,

Mr. Joseph Abate, Jr., Interim Principal
Dear Class of 2020,

Congratulations on all that you have accomplished. It has been an honor watching you grow into mature young adults over the past four years. We wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors. We cannot wait to see your impact on the world. Never forget the green and white!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Benvenuti and Ms. Mulcahy
Class Officers:
President: Edward Bennett
Vice President: Lexie De Luca
Secretary: Melissa Myrtaj
Treasurer: Marcus Povolo
Historian: Julianna Perro
Raven Leigh Abbe

Professional Ambition: To be a Therapist

"We all want to be loved. We all want to feel accepted. We all want to feel content. And life is hard."
-Hayley Kiyoko

Ahmed Abdalla

Professional Ambition: To be a Software Developer

"If the opportunity doesn't knock, build a door."
-Milton Berle

Aisha Abdalla

Professional Ambition: To be a Lawyer

"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter."
-Martin Luther King Jr.

Younma Abdelaziz

Professional Ambition: To be a Doctor

Zachary Abdelsalam

Professional Ambition: To be a Biomedical Engineer

"Adversity causes some men to break; others to break records."
-William Arthur Ward

Justin I. Abreu

Professional Ambition: To be an Attorney General

"Nothing is worth anything if it's easy."
-Barack Obama

Christie Ack

Professional Ambition: To be an Engineer

"I think that there's no limit to ambition, and if you want something, you can make anything happen, so go for it."
-Rex Orange County

Mayada Agha

Professional Ambition: To be a Pharmacist

"Sometimes you can't see yourself clearly until you see yourself through the eyes of others."
-Ellen DeGeneres
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Michele P. Amato
Professional Ambition: To be a Financial Advisor in New York City

"Failure I can live with. Not trying is what I can't handle."
-Sanya Richards-Ross

Christina Angelo
Professional Ambition: To be a Nurse

"I didn't get there by wishing for it or hoping for it, but by working for it."
-Estée Lauder

Steven Anthony
Professional Ambition: To be a Police Officer

"A true champion can adapt to anything."
-Floyd Mayweather

Gabriella P. Arguello
Professional Ambition: To be a Dentist

"Your education is a dress rehearsal for a life that is yours to lead."
-Nora Ephron

Pablo R. Arias
Professional Ambition: To be a Filmmaker

"A long time ago in a galaxy far, far away..."
-George Lucas (Star Wars)

Nusrat Arju

"Whatever you are, be a good one."
-Abraham Lincoln

Samantha Avendano
Professional Ambition: To be a Nurse

"Circle got smaller, vision got larger."
-Natalie Jordana

Mutasem Ayyoush
Professional Ambition: To be a Pharmacist

"Never give up on something that you can't go a day without."
-Winston Churchill
Rhea H. Balonkita

"Peace is the simplicity of heart, serenity of mind, tranquility of soul, the bond of love."
-Pío of Pietrelcina

Edward J. Bangaree

Professional Ambition:
To be a Physical Therapist

"My goal is not to be better than anyone else, but to be better than I used to be."
-Dr. Wayne W. Dyer

Sandralis Barbosa

"Success is the only option because I like expensive makeup."
-Anonymous

Karl Christian Reyes Bayeng

Professional Ambition:
To be a Physical Therapist

"To accomplish great things, we must not only act, but also dream, not only plan, but also believe."
-Anatole France

Alexis Bedoya

Professional Ambition:
To be a Business/Marketing Manager

"My thing is that I don't give any person that much power over my path that I'm walking; not one person can make or break what I'm doing except for me or God."
-Nipsey Hussle

Mateo Bedoya

Professional Ambition:
To work with children

"I was born to make mistakes, not to fake perfection."
-Drake

Sumaia Begum

"Life is a dream for the wise, a game for the fool, a comedy for the rich, a tragedy for the poor."
-Sholom Aleichem

Berkay Bektas

Professional Ambition:
To be a Computer Engineer

"I'm just doing me, and to me, that's what got me this far."
-Symere Woods
Nicole Joselyn Benites

Professional Ambition: To be a Nurse Anesthetist

"If you want to succeed you should strike out new paths, rather than travel the paths of accepted success."
-John D. Rockefeller

Edward J. Bennett V

Professional Ambition: To be a Rocket Scientist

"Life is a fine line between genius and crazy... I like to use that line to jump rope."
-Oscar Levant

Stephanie Bermudez

Professional Ambition: To be a Detective/Photographer

"I say 'I Don't Know' a lot but trust me, I know."
-Anonymous

Kate Bernal-Guerrero

Professional Ambition: To be the first female president

"My mother told me to be a lady. And for her, that meant to be your own person, be independent."
-Ruth Bader Ginsburg

Brooke Berrigan

Professional Ambition: To be a Speech Pathologist

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."
-Eleanor Roosevelt

Sindi A. Beth

Professional Ambition: To be a Math Teacher

"People often only see one side to someone's personality, but there are levels."
-Ross Lynch

Kayla Binetti

Professional Ambition: To be a Nurse Practitioner

"Who and what you are will be determined by you, not by your circumstances."
-Anonymous

Jarisse Boiter
Jasir Boiter
Professional Ambition: To be an Architect

Salvatore Boyce
Professional Ambition: To be a Union Electrician
"I'm looking forward to the future, and feeling grateful for the past."
-Mike Rowe

Aaron Braen
Professional Ambition: To be a Professional Soccer Coach
"The secret is to believe in your dreams; in your potential that you can be like your star, keep searching, keep believing in yourself and don't lose faith in yourself."
-Neymar

Marc Brandt

Nicholas A. Brigati
Professional Ambition: To be in the Air Force
"If you train hard, you'll not only be hard, you'll be hard to beat."
-Herschel Walker

Meyah Brown

Ryan Butler
Professional Ambition: To be in Law Enforcement
"There are no limits to what you can accomplish, except the limits you place on your own thinking."
-Brian Tracy

Anthony Caceres
Professional Ambition: To be an Engineer
"The surest way to corrupt a youth is to instruct him to hold in higher esteem those who think alike than those who think differently."
-Friedrich Nietzsche
Dylan A. Calderon

Professional Ambition:
To be an Engineer

"Love the life you live. Live the life you love."
-Bob Marley

Taylor Capers

Professional Ambition:
To be a Speech Pathologist

"No other option than to be great."
-Rasheem Coley

Michael Caravaglia

Professional Ambition:
To be an Engineer

"Sometimes I'll start a sentence and I don't even know where it's going. I just hope I find it along the way."
-Michael Scott, *The Office*

Gia Caruso

Professional Ambition:
To be a Combat Photographer in the United States Navy

"You have your whole life to be old, but you only have a few years to be young."
-Khloé Kardashian

Ericka Abril Castañeda Valderrama Poveda

Professional Ambition:
To be a Business Woman

"When you take things too seriously, you get old. You have to be silly. Whenever people say, 'Hey, man, are you ever going to grow up?' That's when you know you're doing things right."
-Ricky Martin

Christopher Chantes

Professional Ambition:
To be a Comic Book Artist

"Twenty years from now, you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the ones you did do."
-Mark Twain

Gianmarco Chavez

Professional Ambition:
To be a Child Defense Attorney

"Mamba Out."
-Kobe Bryant

Hunter Chiavola
Dante Christoforatos
Professional Ambition: To be the General Manager of a Sports Team
"If they're talking about you, you may be doing something right. And when they talk bad about you, you just use it for motivation." -Paul Pierce

Daniel Clark
Professional Ambition: To be an Electrician
"I've failed over and over again in my life and that is why I succeed." -Michael Jordan

Basir Coban
"One finds limits by pushing them." -Herbert Simon

Angelo Coiro
Professional Ambition: To be an Engineer
"Don't let the fear of losing be greater than the excitement of winning." -Robert Kiyosaki

Kevin Coiro
Professional Ambition: To be an Artist
"You're not alone. We don't know where we're going. You just have to figure at some point that it's all going to come together." -Monica Geller, *Friends*

Vincent Colavitti
Professional Ambition: To be a Homeland Security Detective
"I love it when people doubt me. It makes me work harder to prove them wrong." -Derek Jeter

Vincent Colletti
"You never got me down, Ray. You hear me? You never got me down." -Jake Lamotta, *Raging Bull*

Christopher Colon
Christian Elijah Conklin
Professional Ambition: To be a Music Therapist

"It's not about perfection, it's about purpose."
-Beyoncé

Michael Constantine

"I still look at myself and want to improve."
-David Beckham

Alenny "Lala" Contreras
Professional Ambition: To be a Dancer or Veterinarian

"Life can only be understood backwards; but it must be lived forwards."
-Soren Kierkegaard

Kevin Cooper


Yazmine Cooper
Professional Ambition: To be an Anesthesiologist

"Happiness is not something ready made. It comes from your own actions."
-Dalai Lama

Anthony Hayes Coppola
Professional Ambition: To be a Pilot

"Perception is reality."
-Lee Atwater

Gabriella Cordova
Professional Ambition: To be the next Anna Wintour

"You just need to have a love for what you’re doing. It’s not about thinking that it’s the cool thing; it’s about really believing in it."
-Anonymous

Hommy Cruz
John Cusack

"Don't take life too seriously. You will never get out of it alive."
-Elbert Hubbard

Zakria Dahhan

Professional Ambition:
To be a Physician

"It isn't the mountains ahead to climb that wear you out; it's the pebble in your shoe."
-Muhammad Ali

Sarah D'Ambrosio

Professional Ambition:
To be a Photographer

"The only time you should ever look back, is to see how far you've come."
-Mick Kremling

Luke M. Dasilva

Professional Ambition:
To be an Engineer

"Look for something positive in each day, even if some days you have to look a little harder."
-Marshall Morris

Gabriela Davadi

Professional Ambition:
To be Real Estate Agent

Jacqueline Davis

Professional Ambition:
To travel the world

"Always find time for the things that make you happy to be alive."
-Anonymous

Jalen DeJesus

Professional Ambition:
To Succeed in the Business World

"You have to learn the rules of the game and then you have to play better than anyone else."
-Albert Einstein

Pat Dellacave
John Alfred Dell'Aquila

Professional Ambition: To be an Engineer

"Don't count the days, make the days count."
-Muhammad Ali

Lexie Brielle De Luca

Professional Ambition: To be an Engineer

"I am here for a purpose and that purpose is to grow into a mountain, not to shrink to a grain of sand. Henceforth will I apply ALL my efforts to become the highest mountain of all and I will strain my potential until it cries for mercy."
-Og Mandino

Bernard DelValle

Professional Ambition: To be a Teacher

"If you love a flower, don't pick it up. Because if you pick it, it dies and it ceases to be what you love. So if you love a flower, let it be. Love is not about possession. Love is about appreciation."
-Osho

Vincenzo DeMattei

Professional Ambition: To be a State Trooper

"When it's all said and done, I want to be able to say I got the most out of my potential."
-David Wright

Nicholas DeNunzio

Professional Ambition: To be a Firefighter

"You miss 100% of the shots you don't take."
-Wayne Gretzky

Dominick DeStefano

Professional Ambition: To be a Mechanical Engineer in the United States Air Force

"I don't need it to be easy I need it to be worth it."
-Lil Wayne

Joseph Craig Dickson IV

Professional Ambition: To be a Computer Scientist

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them."
-John F. Kennedy

Nicholas J. Dimitrakid

Professional Ambition: To be a Business Owner

"The two most important days in your life are the day you are born and the day you find out why."
-Mark Twain
Makedonka Dimkova

Professional Ambition:
To be a Doctor

"Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory."
-Dr. Seuss

Nicolas J. DiNardo

"Sometimes you're the windshield, sometimes you're the bug."
-Mary Chapin Carpenter

Hieu Dinh

Professional Ambition:
To be a Nurse

"Our mindset is the most precious thing in our body and life. If you put the mind in and work in, it will pay off. Our mind has value to succeed life."

Joseph DiTaranto

Professional Ambition:
To be a General Dentist

"Time is what we want most, but what we use worst."
-William Penn

Ryan Doherty

Professional Ambition:
To be an Accountant

"I went to a restaurant that serves 'breakfast' at any time, so I asked for French toast during the Renaissance."
-Steven Wright

Russell Domicoli

Professional Ambition:
To be a Business Woman

"This wasn't like High School Musical."
-Anonymous

Shana Donnelly
Kevin Douglass

"Mr. Gorbachev, tear down this wall!"
-Ronald Reagan

Sam Drone

Professional Ambition:
To be an Engineer

"No one wants to hear... all these technical terms. That's not music, that's craft."
-Herbie Hancock

Julian Elhin

Professional Ambition:
To be an Engineer

"Perfection is not attainable, but if we chase perfection we can catch excellence."
-Vince Lombardi

Reem Elkanany

Professional Ambition:
To be a Dentist

Alexander Falduti

Professional Ambition:
To be a Chef

"Part of the journey is the end."
-Tony Stark

Tyler Fisher

Professional Ambition:
To be a Civil Engineer

"Only those who will risk going too far can possibly find out how far one can go."
-T.S. Eliot

Michael Formentin

Professional Ambition:
To be a United States Marine

"Start each day with a task completed."
-Admiral William H. McRaven

Dakota Fortier

Professional Ambition:
To be an Electrician

"It's funny how we feel so much but we don't say a word, we're screaming inside but we can't be heard."
-Sarah McLachlan
Alivia Francis

Professional Ambition:
To Design My Own Clothing Line

"It takes nothing to join the crowd. It takes everything to stand alone."
-Hans F. Hansen

Amanda Michelle Fried

Professional Ambition:
To See Everything

"Success is not the key to happiness, happiness is the key to success."
-Albert Schweitzer

Lucas Fuentes

Professional Ambition:
To be an Actress or Model

"Live as if you were to die tomorrow, learn as if you were to live forever."
-Mahatma Gandhi

Natalie Fuquene

Professional Ambition:
To be a Cardiac Sonographer

"I've always done whatever I want and always been exactly who I am."
-Billie Eilish

Daniel Galindo

Professional Ambition:
To be a Photographer

"Nobody is going to hit as hard as life, but it's not how hard you hit. It's about how hard you can get hit and keep moving forward; how much you can take and keep moving forward. That's how winning is done."
-Rocky Balboa, Rocky Balboa

Kyara Kay Garcia

Professional Ambition:
To be a Kindergarten Teacher

"We accept the love we think we deserve."
-Stephen Chbosky

Mari-Clara Garnier

Professional Ambition:
To be a Professional Makeup Artist and a Nurse

"When you can't find sunshine, be the sunshine."
-Ed Lester

Natalie Diane Garofalo

Professional Ambition:
To be a Kindergarten Teacher
Devon Danielle Garrabrant
Professional Ambition:
To be a Therapist

"Spend a little more time trying to make something of yourself and a little less time trying to impress people."
- The Breakfast Club

Daniela Gencarelli
Professional Ambition:
To be a Speech-Language Pathologist

"There is a moment, a cusp, when the sum of gathered experience is worn down by the details of living. We are never so wise as when we live in this moment."
-Paul Kalanithi

Ryan Georges
Professional Ambition:
To be a Criminal Lawyer

"You win some, you lose some... But you live... you live to fight another day."
-John Witherspoon

Amanda Gil
Professional Ambition:
To be a Nurse

"Maybe getting back up again is what falls are for."
-Ariana Grande

Vianna Maria Giordano
Professional Ambition:
To be a Teacher

"Whoever is trying to bring you down is already below you."
-Ziad K. Abdelnour

Giovanni Giovatto
Professional Ambition:
To be an Engineer

"Every single thing that has ever happened in your life is preparing you for a moment that is yet to come."
-John Spence

Patricia Giuricel
Professional Ambition:
To be a Physical Therapist or Athletic Trainer

"There is always going to be a reason why you can't do something; your job is to constantly look for reasons why you can achieve your dreams."
-Shannon Miller
Bobbi Ann Glennon

Professional Ambition:
To be a Zoologist

"In order to find yourself, who you really are, you got to be with yourself; you got to hang out with yourself."
-Post Malone

Mya Glogovics

Professional Ambition:
To be a Fashion Designer

"Beauty begins the moment you decide to be yourself."
-Coco Chanel

Violette Go

Professional Ambition:
To be a Lawyer

"Just keep following your dreams, it just costs a lot of money. I'm broke but I have a dream."
-Jo Koy

Briana Gonzalez

Joshua Gonzalez

Professional Ambition:
To be an Electrician

"Sometimes you have to suffer in life, not because you were bad, but because you you didn't realize where and when to stop being good."
-Anonymous

Novian Gonzalez

Trishauna-Aliyah Gordon

Professional Ambition:
To be a Pediatric Surgeon

"Success is liking yourself, liking what you do, and liking how you do it."
-Maya Angelou

Alyssa Graupe

"The most important thing is to enjoy your life - to be happy - it's all that matters."
-Audrey Hepburn
John J. Groh

Professional Ambition:
To work on Wall Street

"97% of people who quit too soon are employed by the 3% who didn't."
-Jordan Belfort

Isabella Guarente

Professional Ambition:
To pursue a medical profession and help those in need

"I am ready to face any challenge that might be foolish enough to face me."
-Dwight Schrute, The Office

Anthony Gutierrez

Professional Ambition:
To be an FBI Agent

"Don't chase love, money, or success. Become the best version of yourself and those things will chase you."
-Anonymous

Alexander Guzman

Professional Ambition:
To be a Doctor

"The most important thing is to never give up, never give into circumstances, believe in yourself, and to soldier on, no matter what's in your way."
-Luka Modrie

Mark Hackett, Jr.

Professional Ambition:
To be a Zoologist

"Some people can read War and Peace and come away thinking it's a simple adventure story. Others can read the ingredients on a chewing gum wrapper and unlock the secrets of the universe."
-Lex Luthor, Superman

Troy Hager

Professional Ambition:
To be a Meteorologist

"My family is my strength and weakness. Through them I rise, and only through them shall I fall."
-Anonymous

Masa Hamwi

Professional Ambition:
To be a Meteorologist

"If you want to be successful you have to jump, there's no way around it. If you're safe, you'll never soar."
-Steve Harvey

Danny Hasbani

Professional Ambition:
To never work for anyone

"Some people want it to happen. Some wish it would happen. Others make it happen."
-Michael Jordan
Jake Heale  
Professional Ambition:  
To be a Professional Soccer Player  
"I'm just doing me, and to me, that's what got me this far."  
-Symere Woods  

Jeffrey Hintikka  
Professional Ambition:  
To be an Illustrator  
"No valid plans for the future can be made by those who have no capacity for living now."  
-Alan Watts  

Mark Huggins  
Professional Ambition:  
To be the next Billy Joel  
"There is not enough time in the day to be average."  
-Michael DeLuccia  

Justin Idelfonso  
Professional Ambition:  
To be a Physical Therapist  
"It gets easier. Every day it gets a little easier. But you've got to do it every day: that's the hard part."  
-BoJack Horseman  

Francesca Inzone  
Professional Ambition:  
To be an FBI Agent  
"We're all in this together; and it shows when we stand hand in hand; make our dreams come true."  
-High School Musical  

Rachel Irizarry  
Professional Ambition:  
To be a Police Officer  
"Follow your dreams and never give up."  
-Anonymous  

Mohammed Jaraba  
Professional Ambition:  
To be a Private Investigator  
"Success to me is only two things: happiness and stability."  
-Kehlani
Javon Johnson

Professional Ambition: To be an Entrepreneur

"Be something more than what you see in the mirror. Let the world be your mirror. Don't let them judge you; because the mirror can't judge you. You judge what you see in the mirror." -Lil Wayne

Gabriel Jurkic

Professional Ambition: To be a Financial Manager

"Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow has not yet come. We have only today. Let us begin." -Mother Teresa

Jeremy Kalokitis

Professional Ambition: To be a Video Designer

"Ask not what your country can do for you. Ask what you can do for your country." -John F. Kennedy

Brian Katat

Professional Ambition: To be a Chemical Engineer

"People change people... learning from the people you care about is more important than the words on any page." -Cory Matthews, Boy Meets World

Jack Jones

Professional Ambition: To be a Biomedical Engineer

"Only the mediocre are always at their best." -Jean Giraudoux

Amanda Kalluf

Professional Ambition: To be a Certified Public Accountant

"The best revenge is massive success." -Frank Sinatra

Elizabeth Kapelevich

Professional Ambition: To be a Hedge Fund Manager/Computer Scientist

"I put zero weight into anyone's opinion about me because I know exactly who I am; can you say the same?" -Gary Vaynerchuk

Becker Khaled
Youssef Khalil
Professional Ambition: To be a Chief Surgeon

"I'm lazy. But it's the lazy people who invented the wheel and the bicycle because they didn't like walking or carrying things."
-Lech Walesa

Sania Khan
Professional Ambition: To be a Physician's Assistant

"Sometimes I'll start a sentence and I don't even know where it's going. I just hope I find it along the way."
-Michael Scott, The Office

Mohammad Kiyam
Professional Ambition: To be an Entrepreneur

"Continuous improvement is better than delayed perfection."
-Mark Twain

Frank Koch


Konstantine Koukounas
Professional Ambition: To be a Psychologist

"Life doesn't require that we be the best, only that we try our best."

Kyle E. Kuren
Professional Ambition: To become a Veterinarian

"Remember that no matter how cool you think you may be, you're not cool enough to look down on anyone...ever."
-Paul Walker

Alyssa J. La Torre
Professional Ambition: To be an Occupational Therapist

"With ordinary talent and extraordinary perseverance, all things are attainable."
-Thomas Buxton

Juliet LaRiccia
Professional Ambition: To be a Teacher

"We're adults. When did that happen? And how do we make it stop?"
-Dr. Meredith Grey, Grey's Anatomy
Gabriella Teresa LaRosa
Professional Ambition: To start a Nonprofit Organization
"The best thing to hold onto in life is each other"
-Audrey Hepburn

Gianna Leach
Professional Ambition: To be an Early Childhood Educator
"It's not easy being a princess, but hey, if the shoe fits..."
-Anonymous

Brandon R. Lees
Professional Ambition: To work on Wall Street
"Don't count the days; make the days count."
-Muhammad Ali

Alberto A. Leon
Professional Ambition: To become an Engineer
"This is for everybody going through tough times, believe me, been there done that, but everyday above ground is a great day, remember that."
-Pitbull

Kayla Leonard
Professional Ambition: To be the CEO of my own company
"You have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world."
-Harriet Tubman

Patrick Lettre
Professional Ambition: To be a Professional Soccer Player
"Success is no accident. It is hard work, perseverance, learning, studying, sacrifice and most of all, love of what you are doing or learning to do."
-Pelé

Maximus Levin
Professional Ambition: To be a Film Maker
"What we do in life echoes in eternity."
-Maximus, Gladiator

Heidy Llerena
Professional Ambition: To be a Nurse
"If movies have taught me anything, it's that now the real fun starts."
-Anonymous
Sevasti Logothetis
Professional Ambition:
To be in Business Management/Marketing

"It is better to fail in originality than to succeed in imitation."
- Herman Melville

Nicholas Madonia
Professional Ambition:
Police Officer

"You don't ever want to go out there and not be the best. You want to be the best cop that you can. Be the best writer you can be. Everybody has their goals. Everybody has their dreams."
- Bryce Harper

Raheem Mahmood
Professional Ambition:
To be an NBA Player

"If you are working on something that you really care about, you don't have to be pushed. The vision pulls you."
- Steve Jobs

Anthony Maley
Professional Ambition:
To be successful

"Action is the foundational key to all success"
-Pablo Picasso

Olivia Nicole Manfredo
Professional Ambition:
To be a News Anchor

"You become what you believe."
- Oprah Winfrey

Christopher M. Manzi
Professional Ambition:
To be Federal Agent

"Learn to love what you have before you are taught to love what you lost, value each and every moment, for tomorrow is never promised to anyone."
- Kirby Puckett

Gina Manzi
Professional Ambition:
To be in Film Production

"...and I learned the greatest gift of all, the saddest thing in life is wasted talent."
- Calogero Anello, *A Bronx Tale*
Amanda Marquez
Professional Ambition: To be a Veterinarian

Dominick Marretta
Professional Ambition: To be a Marine Biologist
"When you hit a wall, find ways to go under and over, but never give up."
-Donald Trump

Alexander Martin
Professional Ambition: To be an Engineer
"I woke up feeling dangerous."
-Baker Mayfield

Ashley Martin
Professional Ambition: To be an Anesthesiologist
"The truth is, I don't really like to think about college because that means high school's over."
-Brooke Davis, *One Tree Hill*

Saul Livian Martin
Professional Ambition: To be the best person I can be
"Life is a movie. But there'll never be a sequel."
-Nicki Minaj

Janeliz Martinez
Professional Ambition: To be an Entrepreneur
"A great pleasure in life is to do what they say you can't."
-Paulo Coelho

Juan Martinez
Professional Ambition: To join the Air Force

Mauro Martinez
Professional Ambition: To be an Athletic Trainer
Stephanie Martinez

Professional Ambition:
To be a Mechanical Engineer

"Math. It's just there... You're either right or you're wrong. That's what I like about it."
-Katherine Johnson

Kristina Martir

Professional Ambition:
To be a Writer

"I think I'm cool. That's all that matters."
-Tyler, The Creator

Ma'Nira Massenburg

Professional Ambition:
To be a Detective

"Life is never made unbearable by circumstances, but only by lack of meaning and purpose."
-Viktor Frankl

Dina S. Matari

Professional Ambition:
To be a Doctor

"The most important thing is to enjoy your life -- to be happy. It's all that matters."
-Audrey Hepburn

Jose Matias

Professional Ambition:
To be a Chef

"Never regret anything that made you smile."
-Mark Twain

Freddy Maya

Professional Ambition:
To be an Athletic Trainer

"Life is 10% of what happens to you and 90% of how you react to it."
-Charles R. Swindoll

Kyle McCarthy

Professional Ambition:
To be a Teacher

"When someone says you can't do it, do it twice and take pictures!"
-Anonymous

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Professional Ambition: To be a Nurse

"Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened."
-Dr. Seuss

Victoria Ann Parrold

Professional Ambition: To be a Marine Biologist

"Don't die without embracing the daring adventure your life was meant to be."
-Steve Pavlina

Joseph D. Pasquariello

Professional Ambition: To be a Computer Technician

"You can't have everything. Where would you put it?"
-Steven Wright

Khushabu Paté

Professional Ambition: To be a Neonatal Doctor

"Use your smile to change the world, but don't let the world change your smile."
-Anon

Eva Pavloska

Professional Ambition: To be a Corporate Lawyer

"Never let success get to your head and never let failure get to your heart."
-Ziad K. Abdelnour

Julia Pellicante

Professional Ambition: To be a Lawyer in Washington, D.C.

"The bond of our common humanity is stronger than the divisiveness of our fears and prejudices."
-Jimmy Carter

Aidan Perez

Professional Ambition: To be a Forensic Psychiatrist

"In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life: it goes on."
-Robert Frost

Julianna Perrotta
Gabriella Pesantes
Professional Ambition:
To be a Speech-Language Pathologist

"I truly believe the only way we can create global peace is through not only educating our minds, but our hearts and our souls." -Malala Yousafzai

Leandra Pesantes
Professional Ambition:
To be a Biochemist

"We keep moving forward, opening new doors, and doing new things, because we're curious and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths." -Walt Disney

Carmenalexia Petito
Professional Ambition:
To be a Pediatric Nurse

"My mission in life is not merely to survive, but to thrive; and to do so with some passion, some compassion, some humor, and some style." -Maya Angelou

Olivia Picariello
Professional Ambition:
To be a Computer Analyst

"I simply have a marvelous life, a very lucky life." -Olivia Newton-John

William E. Pinckney IV
Professional Ambition:
To be in Sports Media/Business

"The most luxurious possession, the richest treasure anybody has, is his personal dignity." -Jackie Robinson

Francesco Pinto
Professional Ambition:
"Se puoi sognarlo, puoi se puoi."

"If you can dream it, you can do it." -Anonymous

Victoria Pizzi
Professional Ambition:
To be a Neonatal Doctor

"What we call the beginning is often the end. And to make an end is to make a beginning. The end is where we start from." -T.S. Eliot

Ashley Povolo
Professional Ambition:
To be an English Teacher

"Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind." -Bernard Baruch
Ludovico Masha Povolo

Professional Ambition:
To be a Corporate Lawyer

"Everybody wants to know what I would do if I didn't win... I guess we'll never know."
-Kanye West

Marcus Povolo

Professional Ambition:
To be an Accountant

"My innocence is not ignorance. My kindness is not weakness."
-Hiro Mashima, Fairy Tale

Michael Alain Povolo

Professional Ambition:
To become a Dietician

"When you feel like quitting... remember, pain is temporary... greatness lasts forever."
-Anonymous

Victoria Povolo

Professional Ambition:
To be a Forensic Pathologist

"Just because you took longer than others, doesn't mean you failed."
-Daniel Friday Danzor

Samuel A. Pozuelos

Professional Ambition:
To make people happy

"You miss 100% of the shots you don't take."
-Wayne Gretzky

Mia Preziosi

Professional Ambition:
To be a Writer, Teacher, Performer, and Disney Princess

"I do my thing and you do your thing. You are you and I am I. And if in the end we end up together, it's beautiful."
-Topanga, Boy Meets World

Andrew Priebel

Professional Ambition:
To obtain a Masters Degree in Business Administration

"Change your thoughts and you change your world."
-Norman Vincent Peale

Gianna Pritchard

Professional Ambition:
To be a Nurse

"Everything will be okay in the end. If it's not okay, it's not the end."
-John Lennon
Greg Puluse

Professional Ambition:
To be a Chef

"If plan A doesn't work, remember the alphabet has 25 more letters!"
-Anonymous

Waseem Qattous

Professional Ambition:
To be a Real Estate Investor

"If you don't build your dreams, someone else will hire you to help them build theirs."
-Dhirubhai Ambani

Michaela Raguseo

Professional Ambition:
To be a High School Math Teacher

"Laughter is timeless, imagination has no age, and dreams are forever."
-Walt Disney

Jannah Ramadan

Professional Ambition:
To be a Lobbyist

"Reality is wrong. Dreams are for real."
-Tupac Shakur

Krisha Rana

Professional Ambition:
To be a Doctor of Physical Therapy

"Have the courage to follow your heart and intuition. They somehow know what you truly want to become."
-Steve Jobs

Amanda Resciniti

Professional Ambition:
To work in Mental Healthcare

"We don't make mistakes, just happy accidents."
-Bob Ross

Declan Riley

Professional Ambition:
To be a Cyber Security Engineer

"To believe all men honest is folly. To believe none is something more."
-John Adams

Sabrina Riley

Professional Ambition:
To be a Forensic Psychologist

"Long live the rose that grew from the concrete when no one else ever cared."
-Tupac Shakur
Priscilla Rivera

Professional Ambition: To be a Physical Therapist/Athletic Trainer

"Someone once told me not to bite off more than I can chew. I said I'd rather choke on greatness than nibble on mediocrity." -John Paul Strong

Patrick Roche

Professional Ambition: To be a Police Officer

"One who gains strength by overcoming obstacles possesses the only strength which can overcome adversity." -Albert Schweitzer

Brianna Rodriguez

Professional Ambition: To be a Music Journalist

"I regret nothing. The end." -Ron Swanson, Parks & Recreation

Jadalynn Rodriguez

Professional Ambition: To be a Physical Therapist

"Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better." -Maya Angelou

Matthew Roble

Anthony James Rodrigue

Professional Ambition: To be an Animator for Disney or Marvel

Carfred A. Rodriguez

Professional Ambition: To be a Basketball Player

"Each day, I come in with a positive attitude, trying to get better." -Stefon Diggs

Julie Rodriguez

Professional Ambition: To be a Veterinarian Technician

"You will face many defeats in life, but never let yourself be defeated." -Maya Angelou
Dayana Rojas
Professional Ambition: To be a Lawyer

"A photograph speaks for those with no voice."
-Mel Greene

Ariana Rosas
Professional Ambition: To be a Doctor

"And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord."
-Luke 1:45

Monica Ross
Professional Ambition: To be a Neonatal Nurse Practitioner

"You learn more from failure than from success. Don't let it stop you. Failure builds character."
-Anonymous

Vanessa Ruiz
Professional Ambition: To be a Nurse

"Mistakes are a fact of life. It is the response to the error that counts."
-Nikki Giovanni

Zachary Russo
Professional Ambition: To be a Police Officer

"If one day speed kills me, do not cry because I was smiling."
-Paul Walker

Jeremy Sadler
Professional Ambition: To be a Civil Engineer

"Build your own dreams, or someone else will hire you to build theirs."
-Farrah Gray

Raffaello Sagaral
Professional Ambition: To be a DJ

"I'm a DJ--I get the party started."
-Avicii

Rami Salahi
Professional Ambition: To be a Civil Engineer
Maiya P. Sanchez
Professional Ambition: To be an FBI Profiler

Darianny Sanchez Garcia
Professional Ambition: To be a Nurse
"Take pride in how far you have come and have faith in how far you can go."
-Michael Josephson

Damia Sandu
"Life goal: a bank account as full as my lashes."
-Queen D.

Denali M. Santiago
Professional Ambition: To be a millionaire
"It always seems impossible until it’s done."
-Nelson Mandela

Yanira Alexandra Santillan
Professional Ambition: To be an Engineer
"May your choices reflect your hopes, not your fears."
-Nelson Mandela

Eleny Santoyo
Professional Ambition: To be a Speech Therapist
"Never let success go to your head, never let failure get to your heart."
-Beyoncé

Youanna Sefein-Shenouda
Professional Ambition: To be a Music Teacher
"I want to be defined by the things that I love, not by the things I hate, not the things I’m afraid of or the things that haunt me in the middle of the night; I just think you are what you love."
-Taylor Swift

Helena Semerad
Professional Ambition: To be my own boss
"For every dark night, there’s a brighter day."
-Tupac Shakur
Jerry Sevillano
Professional Ambition: To become an Engineer

"We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit." - Aristotle

Ethan Shaw
Professional Ambition: To be a Congressman

"There is no limit to the amount of good you can do if you don't care who gets the credit." - Ronald Reagan

Olivia Shpiruk
Professional Ambition: To be an Oceanic Engineer

"You have to learn the rules of the game. And then, you have to play better than anyone else." - Albert Einstein

Shaun H. Sivilich
Professional Ambition: To become an Underwater Welder

"If your dreams don't scare you they aren't big enough." - Muhammad Ali

Kendra Smith
Professional Ambition: To be a Fashion Marketer

"To succeed in life, you need three things: a wishbone, a backbone, and a funny bone." - Reba McEntire

Alyssa Snyder
Professional Ambition: To be a Personal Trainer

"Change can be scary, but you know what's scarier? Allowing fear to stop you from growing, evolving, and progressing." - Mandy Hale

John Sole
Professional Ambition: To be a Priest

"I knew exactly what to do. But in a much more real sense I had no idea what to do." - Michael Scott, The Office

Reem Soubany
Professional Ambition: To be a Nurse

"Success isn't about how much money you make, it's about the difference you make in people's lives." - Michelle Obama
Nicole Spratt
Professional Ambition: To be a Lawyer
"Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened."
-Dr. Seuss

Marko Stanko
Professional Ambition: To be an Engineer
"All that was great in the past was ridiculed, condemned, combated, suppressed--only to emerge all the more powerfully, all the more triumphantly, from the struggle."
-Nikola Tesla

Aaliyah Staples
"Well, I am usually not one for speeches. So goodbye."
-Ron Swanson, Parks & Recreation

Ashanti Suer
Professional Ambition: To be a Speech Therapist
"Growing old is mandatory, but growing up is optional."
-Walt Disney

Olivia Sweezy
Professional Ambition: To live a happy, successful life
"A girl knows her limits but a wise girl knows she has none."
-Marilyn Monroe

Matt Sytsma
Professional Ambition: To be an Engineer
"It is this belief in a power larger than myself and other than myself which allows me to venture into the unknown and even the unknowable."
-Maya Angelou

David Tamayo
Professional Ambition: To be a Mechanic
"Excellence is not a gift, but a skill that takes practice. We do not act 'rightly' because we are 'excellent', in fact we achieve 'excellence' by acting 'rightly'."
-Plato

Rosa Elena Taver
Professional Ambition: To be a Computer Programmer
"You get what you settle for."
-Louise Sawyer, Thelma and Louise
Dvija Thaker  
Professional Ambition:  
To work in the Medical Field  

"Wherever you go, go with all your heart."
-Confucius

Brandon Jason Timothy  
Professional Ambition:  
To be in the NFL  

"When you're rich, you don't write checks...you cash them."
-Randy Moss

Emilia Thompson  
Professional Ambition:  
To be in International Business  

"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined."
-Henry David Thoreau

Emmi Rose Trovato  
Professional Ambition:  
To be in the Fashion Industry  

"Carry out a random act of kindness, with no expectation of reward, safe in the knowledge that one day someone might do the same for you."
-Princess Diana

Zachary Alexander Tucci  
Professional Ambition:  
To be in Computer Science  

"Censorship is telling a man he can't have a steak just because a baby can't chew it."
-Mark Twain

Stefano Turano  
Professional Ambition:  
To be a Professional Soccer Player  

"Talent without working hard is nothing."
-Cristiano Ronaldo

Juliana Turdo  
Professional Ambition:  
To be in the Communications Field  

"Life is what happens to you while you're busy making other plans."
-John Lennon

Kenneth Twesten
Douglas J. VanDam
Professional Ambition: To be a Sports Announcer
"Surround yourself around people who want to see you grow."
-Anonymous

Edwin Veg
Professional Ambition: To join the Air Force
"Tough times don't last. Tough people do."
-Anonymous

Haylee Jacleen Velasquez
Professional Ambition: To be a Veterinarian
"The best revenge is massive success."
-Frank Sinatra

Brianna Veles
Professional Ambition: To be a Veterinarian
"Winners never quit, and quitters never win."
-Vince Lombardi

Arianna Verazzo
Professional Ambition: To be an OB/GYN
"Every morning you have two choices: continue to sleep on your dreams, or wake up and chase them."
-Carmelo Anthony

Temoc Victori
Professional Ambition: To be an Entertainer
"First, think. Second, dream. Third, believe. And finally, dare."
-Walt Disney

Yaniel Saul Victoria
Professional Ambition: To be a Music Artist
"Always believe you're great, even before anyone else believes it."
-Jay-Z

Zuania G. Victoria
Professional Ambition: To be a Professional Soccer Player
"Think of the happiest things; it's the same as having wings."
-Peter Pan, Peter Pan
Alexandra Ward
Professional Ambition: To be a Teacher
"Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory." -Dr. Seuss

Matthew W. Watkins
Professional Ambition: To achieve happiness in all aspects of life
"Doubt kills more dreams then failure ever will." -Suzy Kassem

Jahvante Wendolowski
Professional Ambition: To be an Entrepreneur
"Fear plays an interesting role in our lives. How dare we let it motivate us. How dare we let it into our design-making, into our livelihood, into our relationships?" -Robert California, The Office

Eliana Yanez
Professional Ambition: To be a Nurse or Accountant
"Enjoy the little things in life for one day you'll look back and realize they were the big things." -Kurt Vonnegut

Melanie Yanez
Professional Ambition: To be a Dentist
"This has been a very, very interesting visit." -Kourtney Kardashian

Justyn Zayas

Michael Zigarelli
Professional Ambition: To be a Lawyer
"You have to dream before your dreams can come true." -A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
Also Graduating

Patrick Bardales
Michael Cline
Sean Diese
Daniel Dzeparovski
Oscar Feliz-Luna
Nazir Hussain
Kayleigh Keating
Manasheh Knoll
Jonathan Ramos

Klaudia Qose
Christopher Nobrega
Timur Akil
Sydney Di Chellis
Meliset Ayala
Aaliyah Kordja
Thomas Melani
Aaron Pena
A New Journey Awaits

Where Are Hornets Headed?
We wish you luck in your future endeavors!
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Raven Abbe
Accomplishments & Activities: State Championships-Marching Band, Yamaha Championships-Marching Band

Aisha Abdalla
Accomplishments & Activities: Fencing Captain 19-20, Social Media Coordinator for GSA

Youmna Abdelaziz
Accomplishments & Activities: Art Club, Spanish Club

Zachary Abdelsalam
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Cross Country, Passaic Valley Honor Society, Varsity Marching Band

"I am grateful for my parents for helping me through all my endeavors these past years. I'd like to thank my absolute best friends for sticking by my side since middle school."

Justin Abreu
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, Passaic Valley Honor Society, World Language Honor Society, Student Senate Corresponding Secretary, Varsity Athlete

Christie Ack
Accomplishments & Activities: National Art Honor Society, Fencing, Marching Band

Mayada Agha
Accomplishments & Activities: Writing Tutor, Blood Drive Volunteer, Freshman Peer Mentor, First Honors, National Honor Society

"Thank you to my mom, dad, my sisters, Noor and Bayan, and my little brother, Hamza, for being my supporters throughout my high school journey."

Samih Allan
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, Passaic Valley Honor Society, World Language Honor Society: Spanish, Student Senate Representative, Future Health Professionals, Green Relays Head

"Thank you to my mom, dad, siblings, and Olivia Picariello for all the love, guidance, and endless support. To my teachers, thank you for helping me grow these past few years."

Kayla Allmendinger
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Volleyball, Varsity Basketball, All-County, All-League Volleyball

Michele Amato
Accomplishments & Activities: JV Volleyball, Italian Club, World Language Honor Society

Christina Angelo
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, Passaic Valley Honor Society, Varsity Cheering, Green Head, GXV '19, '20

"Thank you to my Mom, Dad, sister and teachers for guiding me through the past four years and preparing for my future."

Pablo Arias
Accomplishments & Activities: Coached by Erik Getz and Walter Bleuler

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Edward Bangaree
Accomplishments & Activities: Football, Lacrosse, Italian Club, World Language Honor Society

Alexis Bedoya
Accomplishments & Activities: Business Club, GSA

Mateo Bedoya
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Soccer

Nicole Benites
Accomplishments & Activities: Future Medical Professional Club

Edward Bennett
Accomplishments & Activities: Cross Country Captain, Club President, Varsity Track, Varsity Lacrosse, Passaic Valley Honor Society

Stephanie Bermudez
Accomplishments & Activities: Photography

Kate Bernal-Guerrero
Accomplishments & Activities: Indoor Track, Writing Tutor, Environmental Club, Spanish Club, Interact Club

Brooke Berrigan
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, World Language Honor Society, Passaic Valley Theatre Girls' Show

"Thank you to my mom, dad, and friends."

Sindi Bet
Accomplishments & Activities: Drama Club, Tunnel Oppression, Theatre Classes, Fall Play: Clue, Stage Crew, Variety Show

Kayla Binetti
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Gymnastics Captain, 2nd Team All-County, 4 Year Varsity Athlete, Athletic Leadership Council

Jasir Boiter
Accomplishments & Activities: Drawing, Baseball, Track
Aaron Braen
Accomplishments & Activities: Passaic Valley Soccer

Nicholas Brigati
Accomplishments & Activities: 4 Years Football, 4 Years Track, 1 Year Wrestling

Anthony Caceres
Accomplishments & Activities: American Legion Jersey Boys’ State Delegate, Engineering Club Officer, Peer Mentor

Dylan Calderon
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Cross Country, Passaic Valley Honor Society, 4 Years Track

Michael Caravaglia
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, Winter Track, Physics Club, Engineering Club, Culinary Club

Gia Caruso
Accomplishments & Activities: Lacrosse

Christopher Chantes
Accomplishments & Activities: First Generation to Graduate High School in the USA

Hunter Chiavola
Accomplishments & Activities: Wrestling

Dante Christoforatos
Accomplishments & Activities: 4 Years Baseball

Daniel Clark
Accomplishments & Activities: Basketball, Coaching

Angelo Coiro
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, Passaic Valley Honor Society, World Language Honor Society, PV Baseball, 4.02 GPA

Kevin Coiro
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Boys Volleyball, Passaic Valley Honor Society, Italian Club, Art Club, Academic Team

Vincent Colavitti
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Baseball Captain, Freshmen/JV Baseball Captain, Anatomy Intern, Research & Internship Intern, AP Biology Intern

I am beyond grateful for my Mom, Dad, and sister. Thank you for raising a respectful and proud young man. I would also like to thank my countless coaches, teammates, and friends who have been by my side throughout my entire baseball career."

Christian Conklein
Accomplishments & Activities: Choir Member

Michael Constantinou
Accomplishments & Activities: First Honor Roll Every Marking Period, Varsity Soccer

Alessy Contreras
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Gymnastics, White Dance Head

Gabriella Cordova
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, Valley Green Editor, Girls’ Show President, Interact Club Secretary & Publicist, Peer Mentor

“I am beyond grateful for my Mom, Dad, sisters, and puppy. Thanks for making me a middle child. Besties, I’m forever grateful for our endless adventures. A final thank you to my private story viewers - I’d be lost without you!”

Sarah D’Ambrosio
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Cheerleading, Superintendent’s Commended List, Treasurer of the Future Business Leaders of America / School Store

Zakria Dahhan
Accomplishments & Activities: Track Captain Junior Year, First-Team All-League - Track

Gabriela Davadi
Accomplishments & Activities: Salutatorian, Green Chief, Varsity Cheerleading Captain, Vice President, Passaic Valley Honor Society, National Honor Society, World Language Honor Society

“Thank you to my amazing parents whose love, care, and support is perpetual. Thank you to my sister, Layla, and my incredible friends for supporting me endlessly. Thank you to Passaic Valley and its unique staff, sports, clubs, and classes for providing me with immense opportunities.”

Nicholas Dimitrakiolou
Accomplishments & Activities: Ice Hockey, Lacrosse, Italian Club

Makedonka Dimkova
Accomplishments & Activities: Soccer Captain, World Language Honor Society, Passaic Valley Honor Society, National Honor Society

“Thank you to my parents and sister for everything they have sacrificed for me and all the support and love they have given me. Thank you to all my friends for all the memories and love throughout the years.”

Joseph DitTaranto
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, World Language Honor Society: Italian, Varsity Soccer

“Thank you Mom, Dad, and Anthony.”

Ryan Doherty
Accomplishments & Activities: Track

Shana Donnelly
Accomplishments & Activities: Softball, Musical Theater, Art Honor Society, PVTV

“Thank you Mom, Dad, Brock, Ty, Amanda, Eleny, Maiya, PV softball, and 20’s for being there for me throughout my high school experience.”

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Giovanni Giovatto
Accomplishments & Activities: Music, Drawing

Amanda Gil
"I would like to thank my parents for believing in me, and my friends Darianny and Suleika for never leaving my side and being the best friends I could ask for."

Giovanni Giovatto
Accomplishments & Activities: 4 Years Football

Patricia Giuriceo
Accomplishments & Activities: Gymnastics Captain, Girls Track & Field, Future Medical Professionals Club Secretary, National Honor Society, Passaic Valley Honor Society, World Language Honor Society
"Thank you, Mom and Dad, for always believing in me and helping me accomplish all of my goals. Thank you to my teachers for being the best role models and preparing me for college and beyond. Thank you to my friends and al Green Exercise for the laughs and many fun times throughout my time at Passaic Valley."

Bobbi Glennon
Accomplishments & Activities: Passaic Valley Honor Society, Field Hockey, Girls' Show Choir
"Thank you Mom and Dad for always being there as a supporter throughout my four years of high school, and my teachers for pushing me to follow my dreams. Thanks to my friends for always wanting to have fun."

Violette Go
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, World Language Honor Society, Passaic Valley Honor Society, Varsity Field Hockey
"Thank you Mom and Dad for being so supportive. Thank you to everyone in my family for always being there for me. Love you both so much."
Jake Heale
Accomplishments & Activities: Culinary Club

Mark Huggins
Accomplishments & Activities: Jazz, Theater, Playing Piano

Justin Idelfonso
Accomplishments & Activities: Culinary Club, Varsity Track

Rachel Irizarry
Accomplishments & Activities: 4 Year Varsity Fencer, Choir: Section Leader

Mohammed Jaraba
Accomplishments & Activities: Wrestling, Football, Soccer, Volleyball

Jayon Johnson
Accomplishments & Activities: Basketball, Track

Gabriel Jurkic
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Boys Tennis Captain, National Honor Society, Passaic Valley Honor Society, 2 Years Varsity Boys Soccer, PV Athletic Leadership Council

Jeremy Kalokitis
Accomplishments & Activities: 5 Years Marching Band, 2nd Team All-County Fencing, Henry Sanders in Lend Me a Tenor, Lurch in The Addams Family, Marching Band Placed 1st at Metlife

Elizabeth Kapelevich
Accomplishments & Activities: World Language Honor Society, French Club

Brian Katat
Accomplishments & Activities: Valedictorian, Student Senate President, Most Involved, Varsity Volleyball, 2 Years Academic Team Co-Captain

Thank you Dad, Mom, and Karen for supporting me through everything. Thank you to the group chat and the movie squad. Thank you to my amazing teachers for encouraging me to accomplish my goals.

Youssef Khalil
Accomplishments & Activities: Engineering Club Officer, Physics Club, Cross Country, Passaic Valley Honor Society

Sania Khan
Accomplishments & Activities: World Language Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, Student Senate Representative

To my family and my friends, thank you for the love and support.

Mohammad Kiyam
Accomplishments & Activities: Passaic Valley Honor Society, First Generation Graduate, 5:30 Mile

Konstantine Koukounas
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Hockey, AP Photo

Kyle Kuren
Accomplishments & Activities: Track and Field, Rotary Youth Leadership Award, Athletic Leadership Council

"I want to thank my Mom, Dad, Grandma, and Grandpa for always believing in my dreams. Thanks to Coaches Thornton, Cappello, and Getz for always pushing me to do better. Thank you to my present and past teachers for always helping me to do my best."

Alyssa La Torre
Accomplishments & Activities: Passaic Valley Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, Varsity Lacrosse, Varsity Field Hockey, Girls' Show

"Thank you Mom and Dad for always believing in me, this wouldn't be possible without you."

Juliet LaRiccia
Accomplishments & Activities: Freshman Cheer Captain, National Honor Society, Hornet Helping Hands Senior Internship, Green Cheer, Varsity Cheerleading

Gabriella LaRosa
Accomplishments & Activities: World Language Honor Society, Superintendent Honors Consistently, Peer Mentor, Basketball

Gianna Leach

"From drama, to every struggle, to many arguments over college, to so many college visits, to always believing in me, and to where we stand now, graduation. Thank you Mom and Dad for the endless support, everything you sacrifice daily, and for making me the person I am today. Here's to many more, and graduating. I can't wait to do it again in 4 years. With love, Gig."

Brandon Lees
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Wrestling

Alberto Leon
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Cross Country, Passaic Valley Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society

"Thanks Mom, Dad, Brenda, and Val for helping me out during these sleepless nights and being my biggest supporters. Thanks Chris and Alex for the close bond we've been able to keep these past 4 years. Thanks Mr. Sileo, Mrs. Picarelli, Dr. Iobst, Mrs. Shtraks, and Ms. Quail for pushing me to be the best student I can be."

Kayla Leonard
Accomplishments & Activities: Passaic Valley Honor Society, First Generation Graduate, 5:30 Mile

Patrick Lettre
Accomplishments & Activities: 4 Years Varsity Soccer, Soccer Captain '18, '19
Seva Logothetis
Accomplishments & Activities: Superintendent’s List and First Honors, World Language Honor Society, National Honor Society, Spanish Club Treasurer, Interact Club Secretary

Nicholas Madonia
Accomplishments & Activities: County Finals for Baseball 2 Years in a Row
“1'd like to thank all of the people who made my high school experience great. First I’d like to thank my friends; we made so many memories that will last forever. Secondly, my baseball coaches; you guys pushed me and made baseball and high school so enjoyable for me, and you all taught me so much, especially my biggest supporter, Mr. Mazzo. Lastly, my parents; I can’t thank them enough for all the love and support they gave me throughout my four years and all the years leading up to high school.”

Ma’Nira Massenburg
“Thank you Mom and Dad for guiding me if I was ever lost. Thank you Tymeir, for you I found strength. Love you guys.”

Dina Matari
“Couldn’t do it without my family, friends, and God.”

Kyle McCarthy
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Ice Hockey

Cherrylyn Miranda
Accomplishments & Activities: Criminal Justice Club, Int to Law

Catrina Mongelli
Accomplishments & Activities: Italian Club, Girls’ Shop, Cheerleading

Megan Morales
Accomplishments & Activities: White Dance, Relays, White Exercise

Kholood Mubarak
Accomplishments & Activities: Photography, Psychology
“I’d like to thank my friends and family for always believing in me”

Melissa Myrtaj
“Thank you to all my friends for making my high school experience :)”

Sonia Naples
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, Writing Lab Tutor, Culinary Club President
“Thank you to my parents, sister, and friends for constant supporting me.”

Gianna Noriega
Accomplishments & Activities: White Chief 2020, Varsity Cheer

Hailey Ocasio
Accomplishments & Activities: Lacrosse, Field Hockey

James Pacelli
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Soccer, Varsity Track
“Thank you to my family for everything.”

Vincent Pagano
Accomplishments & Activities: President of Computer Club, Peer Mentor, Writing Lab Tutor, Future Engineers Club, Physics Club
“Thank you to Mom, Dad, Daniel, and all of my friends for always being there for me.”

Victoria Pardi
Accomplishments & Activities: Made States First Ye Throwing in Winter/Spring Track, 2nd Place Coat Volleyball
Joseph Pasquariello
Accomplishments & Activities: Computer Club, Engineering Club, Physics Club, Criminal Justice Club
Thank you Mom, Dad, and JV for being there for me. Thank you Mr. Howard for all the help and support. Thank you Sam Dorney, Jeffrey Hintikka, Marc Brandt, Vincent gano, Declan Riley, and Jeremy Kalokitis for sticking with me.

Aushabu Patel
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Lacrosse, Varsity Old Hockey, Passaic Valley Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, Peer Mentoring
Thank you so much, Mom, Dad, and Brahm, for all the love and support, I love you!

Pavloska
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, World Language Honor Society

Cilia Pellicane
Accomplishments & Activities: AP Scholar, National Honor Society, Interact Club President, Junior State of America Ficer, ALA Jersey Girls State
Thank you Mom, Dad, and Alessia for your continuous support. Bacioni <3. Thank you to my besties for being the coolest and always being there. Big thanks to my Tubman girls, more importantly, Vic Povolo.

La Perro
Accomplishments & Activities: Green Cheer Head, Volleyball, Track and Field, National Honor Society, Class Storian

Abriella Pesantes
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, World Language Honor Society, Passaic Valley Honor Society, Peer Mentor
Thank you Mom, Dad, Leandra, and Tio Eddie for always loving me. Thank you to my friends for being by my side and supporting me.

Andrea Pesantes
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, World Language Honor Society, Peer Mentor, Chemagination
Thanks Mom, Dad, Gabby and my friends for supporting me in everything I do!

Pimenalexia Petito
Accomplishments & Activities: World Language Honor Society, Italian Club
Thanks Mom and Babbo for always being there for me. Thanks Nonna and Nonno for always taking care of me. Thanks to all my friends for staying with me through these four years!

Diva Picariello
Accomplishments & Activities: Passaic Valley Honor Society, Vice President of Culinary Club, Cross Country manager, Track Manager/Runner, Green Relays and Novelties Head
Thank you Mom, Dad, Ava, Vincent, James, Nonna, and miha for always supporting me. To Uncle Ray, I love you for all that you do for me. Coach B, you are my biggest cheerleader and never fail to make me laugh and always lighten my day, I love you!

William Pinckney
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Baseball, First Freshman Media Student at Passaic Valley, National Honor Society of High School Scholars, CTE Broadcasting Advisory Committee, Athletic Leadership Council
"Thank you Mom and Dad for all the support!"

Francesco Pinto
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Soccer, Italian Club

Victoria Pizzi
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, Gymnastics Captain, Passaic Valley Honor Society, World Language Honor Society, Passaic Valley Theater

Ashley Povolo
Accomplishments & Activities: Peer Mentor, National Honor Society, Future Educators of America - President, Varsity Tennis Captain, Tri-M Music Honor Society
"Thank you to my family, who has always been there for me through everything. Thank you to my teachers, who have always believed in my work and have inspired me to follow in their footsteps. Thank you to my friends, who were with me no matter what. You’ve really been with me through everything, and I’m grateful. #rigatoni"

Ludovico Povolo
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Volleyball Captain & Libero, ALJBS Statesman, Student Senate Representative, National Honor Society, World Language Honor Society
"Thanks to my family for all the support the past four years and to my friends for the memories we made."

Marcus Povolo
Accomplishments & Activities: Volleyball Varsity Captain, ALJBS Statesman, Class Treasurer, Girls' Show Roadie Head, Athletic Leadership Council
"Thank you Mom, Dad, Bevy for always being there for me, whether that means driving us to school or helping us through these four years. Thank you Victoria, Masha, Ashley, Michael for experiencing this great time with me, and thank you group chat for creating the most drama-filled, exciting, nerve-racking, crazy years ever with me. Thank you all again."

Michael Povolo
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Lacrosse, Italian Club, Culinary Club, Girls' Show Roadie

Victoria Povolo
Accomplishments & Activities: Superintendent's Commended 2017- 2020, American Legion Auxiliary New Jersey Girls State, National Honor Society, Academic Team, Girls' Show White Poster Head
"I would like to thank my teachers for helping my mind grow, my friends for making me laugh all the time, and a huge thank you to my parents for pushing me to be the best version of myself. I appreciate everything that you have instilled in me and the connections we've formed. I love you all! :) Also a special thanks to my Tubman City Girls in room 207, especially you, Julia."
Samuel Pozuelos
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Soccer

Mia Preziosi
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, Spring Musical, Tri-M Music Honor Society, Co-Writer, Holiday Show 2019, Marching Band

"Thank you Mom, Dad, Michael, and Lena for absolutely everything. I love you all endlessly. Thank you PV Theater and Music for every fantastic and meaningful experience. I love you. Thank you, Burg XO <3"

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Waseem Qattous
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Football

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Michaela Raguso
Accomplishments & Activities: Softball, Co-President of the Future Educators of America Club, Concert Band: Flute, National Honor Society

"Thank you Mom, Dad, and Nick for always supporting and believing in me! Thank you Grandma and Grandpa for being the best grandparents in the world! Thank you family and friends for always being there for me!"

Krisha Rana
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, Varsity Athlete, World Language Honor Society, Passaic Valley Honor Society, Peer Mentor

"Thank you Mom, Dad, Ravi, and Rajan for supporting me throughout high school. Thank you to my coaches for giving me the best experience in athletics. Thank you to all of my friends for the countless fun memories."

Amanda Resciniti
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Cheerleading, Girls' Show, Italian Club

Declan Riley
Accomplishments & Activities: Fencing, Computers

Sabrina Riley
Accomplishments & Activities: Volleyball, Psychology, Forensic Science, Art

Patrick Roche
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Baseball, County Championship for Baseball 2 Years in a Row, Italian Club, Criminal Justice, Athletic Leadership Council

Brianna Rodriguez
Accomplishments & Activities: Hornet Harmonics, Valley Echo Reporter

Carfred Rodriguez
"First of all, I thank God for all that he has given me. Thank you to my mother who has made a lot of effort for me to be here, and thank you to my father for all the work he has done throughout all these years."

Jadalynn Rodriguez
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Softball, Varsity Volleyball, Passaic Valley Honor Society, Athletic Leadership Council

"Thank you to my family, especially my mom who has supported and guided me all my life. Thank you to the coaches who have pushed me to be the best athlete I can be, and thank you to the friends I now consider family."

Dayana Rojas
Accomplishments & Activities: Photography

Ariana Rosas
Accomplishments & Activities: Music Concert

Zachary Russo
Accomplishments & Activities: PVT

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Rami Salahi
Accomplishments & Activities: Soccer, Volleyball

Maiya Sanchez
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Softball

Denali Santiago
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, Passaic Valley Honor Society, World Language Honor Society, Spanish, White Exercise, Spanish Club

"Thank you to my family and friends for always supporting me in everything I do, especially my grandparents, parents, Carmie, Robert, and Cason. Thank you to all of my aunts and uncles for always making me laugh and treating me like one of their own. I'm also thankful for everyone I met along the way and those who shaped me into the person I am today."

Yanira Santillan
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Gymnastics, Treasurer of the Criminal Justice Club, Member of World Language Honor Society, Lacrosse, Peer-Participation in Program Officer

"Thank you to my grandparents, godparents, Mom, and friends for supporting me through everything. I love you<3."

Eleny Santos
Accomplishments & Activities: White X Head 2020, Varsity Cheerleading

Youanna Sefein-Shenouda
Accomplishments & Activities: Music, Tri-M Music Honor Society, Hornet Harmonics
Jerry Sevillano
Accomplishments & Activities: Spanish Club President, President of Future Engineers of America, National Honor Society, Passaic Valley Honor Society, World Language Honor Society

Ethan Shaw
Accomplishments & Activities: Captain of Varsity Lacrosse Team, First-Team All-County Lacrosse
Thank you Mom, Dad, my sisters, friends, the lacrosse team, and everyone who has helped me through this journey.

Olivia Shpiruk
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, White Cheer Head, Varsity Cheer Captain

Tendra Smith
Accomplishments & Activities: Color Guard/ Marching Band, Future Business Leaders of America Club President, Hornet Harmonics, Drama Club, Literary Club

John Sole
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Soccer

Marko Stankovic
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Lacrosse, Physics Club, Science League

Aaliyah Staples
Accomplishments & Activities: Student Senate, PTVT Club

Olivia Sweezy
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, Passaic Valley Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, Varsity Cheer Captain '19, Green X Head - GXV '19 '20

Matthew Sytsma
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, Varsity Soccer Captain, Passaic Valley Honor Society

Kosa Taveras
Accomplishments & Activities: Gymnastics, French Club President, Only Person in Class to Take AP French Exam, Bilingual, Girls' Show

Divija Thaker
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, Passaic Valley Honor Society, World Language Honor Society, Varsity Field Hockey Captain, Varsity Lacrosse

Emmi Trovato
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Cheerleading, Girls' Show, PTVT

Zachary Tucci
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Lacrosse

Stefano Turano
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Soccer, Honor Roll

Juliana Turdo
Accomplishments & Activities: National Honor Society, Passaic Valley Honor Society, PTVT Club Officer, Cross Country Manager
"Thank you Mom, Dad, and Thomas for all of your love and support! Thank you Coach B for never failing to make me laugh and always being there for me!"

Vanessa Velez
Accomplishments & Activities: Passing the Driver's Test, Culinary Club

Zjuana Victoria
Accomplishments & Activities: Athletic Leadership Council, 4 Year Varsity Athlete, 400 meter Intermediate Hurdle School Record Holder, 3 Year Top Soccer Goal Scorer, 1st Place League Track Runner
"I would like to thank my mom and dad for always being here for me. I would also like to thank my siblings Taino, Temoc, Zemi and Tavi for the endless laughs. I'm so grateful for each of you. Lastly, I would like to thank my beautiful girlfriend for always seeing the best in me."

Alexandra Ward
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Softball, First-Team All-Passaic County
"Thank you to my mom, dad, nonna, and AJ for everything that you do for me. I love you guys!"

Matthew Watkins
Accomplishments & Activities: Varsity Football, Varsity Basketball, RYLA Conference, Baseball Announcer, Passaic Valley Honor Society

Eliana Yanez
Accomplishments & Activities: Spanish Club, Art Club, Future Health Professionals Club

Melanie Yanez
Accomplishments & Activities: Gymnastics

Michael Zigarelli
Accomplishments & Activities: Italian Club, Physics Club, Varsity Wrestling
As Passaic Valley has grown up over the years, so have we.
Alyssa Graupe

Paul Graupe
1986

John Spatola
1955

Catrina Mongelli

Kimberly Spatola
1987

Dakota Fortier

Teresa Castrucci
1986

Alexandra Ward

Edward Bangaree

Giovanna Barone
1988

Tammy Gaunt
1999

Cindy Ann Locker
1981
"A SIBLING IS THE LENS THROUGH WHICH YOU SEE YOUR CHILDHOOD."

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Ten Most Academic

All rankings as of September 2019. Students pictured in random order.
SUPERLATIVES

LOUD AND PV PROUD
1st: Ryan Georges and Victoria Pardi
2nd: John Cole and Mia Frangos
3rd: Kevin Douglass and Isabella Guarente

ALLSTAR ATHLETES
1st: Brandon Timothy and Kayla Allmendinger
2nd: Kevin Douglass and Isabella Guarente
3rd: Zakria Dahhan and Zuania Victoria

BUSY BEES
1st: Mia Preziosi and Brian Katat
2nd: Mark Ruggles and Luca De Luca
3rd: Masha Povolo and Kayla Leonard

RUNWAY READY
1st: Christopher Manzi and Alyssa Snyder
2nd: Jared Mancuso and Luca De Luca
3rd: Marcus Povolo and Gina Manzi

ALWAYS SEEN, NEVER HEARD
1st: Christieick and John Dell'Aquila
2nd: Michael Povolo and Sherina Rodriguez
3rd: Gabriel Jurkic and Daniela Gencarelli

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SOCIAL MEDIA STAR

1st: Mateo Bedoya and Juliana Turdo
2nd: Kevin Coiro and Melissa Gardiner
3rd: Temoc Victoria and Gina Manzi

HUGGABLE HORNETS

1st: Christopher Agnes and Samiha Allan
2nd: Austin Bangaree and Felix Santiago
3rd: Edward Bangaree and Ashley Martin

MOST CHANGED

1st: Mauricio Minaya and Julia Pellicane
2nd: Christopher Agnes and Gianna Noriega
3rd: Jack Jones and Sarah D'Ambrosio

BEST LAUGH

1st: Kevin Coiro and Alexandra Ward
2nd: Kevin Johnson and Victoria Pavone
3rd: Christopher Agnes and Gianna Noriega

HORNETS GOING TO HOLLYWOOD

1st: Mia Preziosi and Mark Huggins
2nd: William Packley and Olivia Mazzuca
3rd: Danny Hasbani and Emmi Trovato
SUPERLATIVES

3rd: Waseem Qattous and Oliva Sweezy

3rd: Shaun Sivulich and Patricia Giuriceo

3rd: Hammy Cruz and Rhea Balonkita

3rd: Nicholas DiNardo and Nicholas Dimitrakio

3rd: Angelo Ciro and Juliet LaRiccia

3rd: Andrew Priebe and Denali Santiago

FITNESS FANATICS

1st: Raffaello Sagaral and Alyssa Snyder

2nd: Giovanni Albetta and Sarah D'Ambrisco

3rd: Shaun Sivulich and Patricia Giuriceo

1st: Shana Donnelly and Hunter Chiavola

2nd: Matthew Swast and Amanda Vallen

3rd: Waseem Qattous and Olivia Sweezy

MOST INSEPARABLE

1st: Nicole Mikuika and Alyssa Snyder

2nd: Samantha Chin and Olivia Pizamico

3rd: Nicholas DiNardo and Nicholas Dimitrakio

1st: Kevin Douglass and Amanda Resciniti

2nd: Novian Gobianz and Selena Toraye

3rd: Hommy Cruz and Rhea Balonkita

MOST COMFORTABLY DRESSED

1st: Kristina Martir and John Sole

2nd: Hunter Chiavola and Shana Donnelly

3rd: Angelo Ciro and Juliet LaRiccia

HILARIOUS HORNETS

HIGH SCHOOL SWEETHEARTS

1st: Dominick DeStefano and Emme Trovato

2nd: Monisha DeStefano and Balasa Decker

3rd: Andrew Priebe and Denali Santiago

1st: Shana Donnelly and Hunter Chiavola

2nd: Matthew Swast and Amanda Vallen

3rd: Waseem Qattous and Olivia Sweezy

SOCIALITE
SENIOR SUPERLATIVES

CHATTERBOX
1st: Stephanie Martinez and Matthew Watkins
2nd: Patrick McGough and Brenda Torres
3rd: Vincent Colavitti and Amanda Kalluf

GYM CLASS HEROES
1st: Krisha Rana and Gabriel Jurkic
2nd: Alex Mayten and Zahara Khatiri
3rd: Dante Pabon and Ashley Martin

MOST SCHOLARLY
1st: Lexie De Luca and Brian Katat
2nd: Sherry Sotelo and Aggie Leonard
3rd: Masha Povolo and Samiha Allan

BEST TO BRING HOME TO MOM & DAD
1st: Bella Guarente and Marcus Povolo
2nd: Christopher Marta and Kaje Leonard
3rd: Vincent Colavitti and Victoria Povolo

PERSONALITY PLUS
1st: Melissa Myrtaj and Masha Povolo
2nd: Marcel Povolo and Hallieth Staples
3rd: Angelo Coiro and Olivia Shpiruk

MILLION DOLLAR SMILE
1st: Catrina Mongelli and Alex Martin
2nd: Brandon Terrell and Janet Santiago
3rd: Patrick Roche and Sonia Naples
Best friends make the good times better...
and the hard times easier.
That Was Then

"Once a friend,
always a friend."

This Is Now
friends
smiles
memories

They may not always be on your mind.

"Beautiful memories are like old friends."
Then & Now

but they are forever in your heart."
THESE ARE

APP TO USE
1. Snapchat
2. Instagram
3. TikTok

SPORT
1. Football
2. Baseball
3. Soccer

PLACE TO EAT
1. Chipotle
2. Chick-fil-A
3. Wendy's

PLACE TO SHOP
1. PacSun
2. Urban Outfitters
3. Garage
OUR FAVORITES

SHOW TO BINGE

1. The Office
2. Stranger Things
3. Friends

1. Cereal
2. Oreo's
3. Ice Cream

LATE NIGHT SNACK

1. Post Malone
2. A Boogie Wit Da Hoodie
3. Drake

MUSICIAN

1. The Notebook
2. Titanic
3. Mean Girls

CHICK FICK
Welcome to...

**HOMECOMING**

**SOPHOMORES**
Mr. and Miss Green and White
Bella Stile and Jessier Soriano

**JUNIORS**
Mr. and Miss Hornet
Aidan Timms and Aliyah Figueroa

**SENIORS**
Mr. and Miss Passaic Valley
Brandon Timothy and Lexie De L...
Let the GAMES begin...
Wide Receiver Coach: Mike Gerst
QB Coach: Lou Paradiso
Head Coach: Chet Parlavecchio
Defense of line Coach: Max Wassel
Running Back and Defense of Backs Coach: Joe Wassel

Captains: Gio Giovatto, Danny Hasbani, Kevin Douglass, Brandon Timothy

"PV YOU KNOW!"
CHEERLEADING

Freshman Coach: Lori Quail
Varsity Coach: Jamie Picarelli
JV Coach: Ashley Francis
Competitions:
Wayne Valley - 1st and All Captions - Best Music, Percussion, Colorguard, Visual and Effect
Pequannock - 1st and All Captions
Yamaha Cup - 1st and Best Guard, Music, Visual and Effect
Ridge - 1st and All Captions
States - 1st and Best Visual and Best Overall Effect, and Best Colorguard

Assistant Band Director: Christopher De Wilde
Woodwind Technician: James Butcher
Head Director: Michael DeLuccia
Marching Instructor: Russel Monte
Colorguard Instructor: Erin Colgan

Captains: Jaylene Nogueira, Daniella Gencarelli, Sarah Mitchell, Daniel Kania, Raven Abbe, Mark Huggins, Chyna Sinclair

Seniors: Christie Ack, Mia Preziosi, Daniella Gencarelli, Raven Abbe, Jeremy Kalokitis, Mark Huggins, Kendra Smith
Seniors: Hailey Ocasio, Violette Go, Dvija Thaker, Kayleigh Keating, Isabella Guarente, Ashley Martin, Alyssa La Torre

Head Coach: Lori Demsey
JV Coach: Jessica Gamrat
Goalie Coach: Brianna Salvermini
Freshman Coach: Andrew Greco
JV Coach: Sebastian Cano
Head Coach: Mike Couden
Assistant Varsity Coach: Marc Salvatore

Captains: Matthew Sytsma, Patrick Lettre, Stefano Turano

Seniors: Dominick Marretta, James Pacelli, John S., Matthew Sytsma, Gabriel Jurkic, Samuel Pozuelos, Gianmarco Chavez, Berkay Bektas, Aaron Braen, Michael Bedoya, Francesco Pinto, Patrick Lettre, Andre Grabowski, Pasquale Dellacave, Stefano Turano, Michael Constantino, Joseph DiTaranto

"FAMILY"

BOYS SOCCER
"The Fighting 15"

Girls Soccer

Seniors: Natalie Fuguene, Stephanie Ortiz, Makedonka Dimkova, Zuania Victoria

Head Coach:
Kathleen Berthold McMaster
Assistant Coach: Kathy Hill
Head Coach: William Robertazzi
Assistant Coaches:
Lynn Trautz, Taylor Humes

"ACE, ACE, ACE"

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Seniors: Kayla Allmendinger, Jadalynn Rodriguez, Zoe Moore, Julianna Perro, Victoria Pardi
"EYE OF THE TIGER"

GIRLS TENNIS

Head Coach: James Holsworth

Seniors: Victoria Povolo, Ashley Povolo
Not pictured: Kate Hernandez-Guerrero, Victoria Povolo, Ashley Povolo

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Head Coach: Jenai Agosta
Assistant Coach: Corine Czepiel

Captains: Victoria Pizzi, Kayla Binetti, Patricia Giuriceo

Seniors: Rosa Taveras, Yanira Santillan, Victoria Pizzi, Kayla Binetti, Patricia Giuriceo, Melanie Yanez, Stephanie Martinez
Akram Lechguar, Pablo Krisha Rana, Edward Bennett, Whitney

Joseph Dickson, Dylan Calderon, Temoc Pablo Arias, Frank Koch, Zachary Abdelalim, Justin Idelfonso, Zakria Dahhan, Mauricio Anaya, Edward Bennett, Alex Falduti, Youssef Khalil, Diana Turdo, Krisha Rana, Olivia Picariello

Head Coach: Walter Bleuler Assistant Coaches: Brad Ottino, Erik Getz

"BELIEVE AND ACHIEVE!"

CROSS COUNTRY
Head Coach: James Holsworth
JV Coach: Zack Donavon
Freshman Coach: Dan Ring

Captains: Elliot Whitney, Brandon Timothy

Seniors Matt Watkins, Brandon Timothy, Justin Paguirigan, Carfred Rodriguez
Congratulations to Taylor Hill on 1,000 career points!

Captains: Taylor Hill, Kayla Allmendinger

Head Coach: Marc Salvatore
Assistant Varsity Coach: Michael Couden
JV Coach: Kathleen Berthold McMaster

Seniors: Kayla Allmendinger, Kisha Rana
Head Coach: Erich Fleischmann
Assistant Coach: Alex Fleischmann
Volunteer Coach: Dan Lapinski

Captains: AC Niko Dimitrakiou
Not Pictured: AC Colin Kaleda

Big North Bronze Cup Championship

Seniors: Kyle McCarthy, Nicolas DiNardo, Samuel Giufrida (CG), Kevin Lombardi (CG), Konstantine Koukounas, Nicholas DeNunzio, Niko Dimitrakiou

"PVCG HOCKEY!!"
ICE HOCKEY

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Captains: Aisha Abdalla, Declan Riley

Seniors: Christie Ack, Declan Riley, Aisha Abdalla, Jeremy Kalokitis, Rachel Irizarry

Congratulations to Christie Ack on winning the county championship!

Head Boys Coach: Will Puglisi
Head Girls Coach: Daniel Swerzenski
Volunteer Coach: Julia Ortiz
Armourer: Don Sanderson
Volunteer Coach: Steve Rigamonti
Assistant Coach: Erik Getz
Thrower Coach: Al Cappello
Head Coach: Joel Thornton
Volunteer Coach: Brandon Rizzo
Volunteer Coach: Walter Bleuler

Captains: Jadalyan Rodriguez, Zuania Victoria, Victoria Pardi, Zakria Dahhan, Frank Koch, Kyle Kuren

Captains: Danny Hasbani, Brandon Lees

t: Danny Hasbani, Chris Colon, Mustasem Ayyoush, Brandon Lees, Vincent Pieti, Mohammed Jaraba, Gio Giovatto, Water Chiavola, Novian Gonzalez, Daniel Galindo

"ONE BRICK."

WRESTLING

Head Coach: Joseph Wassel
Assistant Coach: Andrew Greco
"Sometimes life gives you obstacles. Obstacles that may seem unfair or too extreme. But you are given choices. Break through the obstacles or let the obstacles break you."
- Anonymous

"My heart breaks every time I think about the possibility of not being on the field for the last time with my sisters, but I know that no matter what happens this season, we will always remain a team and a family."
- Isabella Guarente

"We're all going through a really tough time, especially as seniors because this was finally going to be our time."
- Brian Katat

"I have made countless memories with my spring track team, and although the current situation is very unfortunate, I want to keep my head high and look back at those times. I really hope I can have one last chance to compete as a Hornet!"
- Krisha Rana

"It's unfortunate. Many of my friends have worked hard this off-season in hopes of having a good last year. In the end though, we can only control the controlled, so the team is going to make the best of it!"
- Vincent Colavitti

"I'm sad that the team didn't get a chance to bond or play together this season and that this is how I'm ending senior year. However, I'm honored to have gotten the chance to play alongside these girls in the last few seasons!"
- Stephanie Ortiz
Girls:

Seniors:
Natalie Garofalo
Patricia Giuriceo
Kristina Martin
Zoe Moore
Victoria Pardi
Olivia Picariello
Krisha Rana

Juniors:
Jeannie Alva
Julia Ciampa
Kaitlyn Cronin
Lana Karmi
Rebecca Kaspar
Lauren Koman
Alexis LaRusso
Pamela Marjana
Leila Matari
Lauren Russo
Crystal Sandoval

Sophomores:
Maram Adham
Sarah Boylan
Emily Brigati
Victoria Collins
Auriella Coronado-Luz
Brianna Eppler
Ariana Flores-Ortiz
Jenna Hablitz
Julia Hosri
Chioma Ifeze
Karen Katat
Brianna LaRosa

Kayla Manzi
Alessia Marotta
Jordan Newbury
Kayla Price
Tiana Raymond
Moya Richards
Paxton Roehrich
Ariana Rubio
Maricelis Santiago
Cassandra Sweezy
Lia Trehwella
Madison VanRiper

Freshmen:
Jenna Ayyad
Isabella DeMarco
Theresa Deprospo
Maria Flores
Eliza Melville-Farfan
Allison Neyra
Alexia Paulyk
Amani Simpson
Tiffany Soriano
Zemi Victoria

Boys:

Seniors:
Nazmeir Ali
Pablo Arias
Edward Bennett
Jasir Boiter
Nicholas Brigati
Dylan Calderon
Chris Colon
Zakria Dahhan
Alex Falduti
Tyler Fisher
Connor Frey
Ryan Georges
Justin Idelfonso
Frank Koch
Kyle Kuren
Mauricio Minaya
Brandon Timothy
Temoc Victoria

Juniors:
Alex Actable
Alex Amaya
Antonio Bargiel
Isaiah Betts
Hasan Bhuiyan
Javoun Bloomfield
Justin Castaneda
Steven Garrity
Micheal Gurrieri
Matthew Haddad
Nicolas Iacovo
Fernando Lambert II
Akram Lechguar
Mounier Mansoor
Vincent Mucho
Leonardo Pachas
Eduardo Rodas
William Tomes
Robert Volonnino
Elliot Whitney
Zaid Zeidan

Sophomores:
Belal Abdeljabbar
Mohammad Aljarrah
Brandon Bolanos
Jaidon Castaneda
Adam Dairi
Isaiah Ford
Eddionel Gonzalez
Tyler Mulroony
Luiz Oliveras
Jacob Rahiman
Nehemiah Redden
Angel Rodriguez
Joseph Salvador
Anthony Scielzo
Jessier Soriano
Jesse Spadaccini

Freshmen:
Adam Abdalla
Hasan Abdelqader
Yazen Ayyad
Sean Berrigan
Daniel Blanco
Christopher Burden
Daniel Caverso
Jeffrey Chen
Sharif Dairi
Jaime Janssen
Ayoub Lechguar
Leith Matari
Thomas Pascucci
Dev Patel
Jordan Rodriguez
Nathan Stone
Andrew Suero
Saad Sultan
Beck Youngberg
Softball

Head Coach: Kathy Hill
Assistant Coaches: Kathleen Berthold, McMaster, Vanessa Lenoir

Seniors:
Jada Rodriguez
Alex Ward
Bella Guarente
Maiya Sanchez
Shana Donnelly
Michaela Raguseo

Juniors:
Taylor Hill
Devyn DiPasquale
Brianna DeLuccia
Rachel Alecci
Madison Leech
Teresa Payne

Sophomores:
Jenna Alesandrelli
Sophia Payne
Savannah VanWinkle

Baseball

Interim Head Coach: Jason Tiseo
Assistant Coaches: John Pelosi, Joe Feinstein
Volunteer Coaches: AJ Flores, Rob Adams, Alex Madonia, Steve Smith, Mike O'Brien
Manager: Scott Nitch

Seniors:
Dante Christoforatos
Angelo Coiro
Vincent Colavitti
Dominick Destefano
John Groh
Nick Madonia
Chris Manzi
DJ Mariconda
Billy Pinckney
Patrick Roche
Carfred Rodriguez

Juniors:
Brandon Cannataro
Zakary Ferguson
Colin Kaleda
Matthew Levajac
Sebastian Llaque
Sean Nitch
Matt O'Neill
Gianfranco Revisore
Brandon Ruocco
Omar Thabata

Sophomores:
Justin Appello
Matt Boscaino
Derek Caceres
Aldry Carela
Aaron Collado
Justin Gordon
Anthony Mallamace
Jonathon Mallamace
Andre Manzi
Dylan McNerney
Dominic Meola
Austin West
Nick Weaver

Freshmen:
Joshua Arroyo-Arriaga
Johnny Bucher
Dylan Cannataro
Robert Davis
Michael DeNapoli
Antonio Gil
Ronnie Manfredo
Dimitri Nicholaides
Connor O'Brien
Giancarlo Peluso
Billy Phillips
Michael Romayo

Girls Lacrosse

Head Coach: Lori Demsey
Assistant Coaches: Lisa Clark
Managers: Jasmin Nuestro, Jacqueline Davis, Melissa Villegas
Captains: Alyssa La Torre, Stephanie Ortiz

Seniors:
Violette Go
Alyssa La Torre
Hailey Ocasio
Stephanie Ortiz
Khushabu Patel
Yanira Santillan
Olivia Shpiruk
Dvija Thaker

Juniors:
Olivia Altonjy
Cameron Hyde
Victoria Langevin
Sarah Mitchell
Ky(Emme) Nguyen-Tran
Natalie Rofail
Laney Thompson
Melody Wolfer

Sophomores:
Jenna Anevski
Morgan Aue

Freshmen:
Katharine Cottone
Alexa Lopes
Boys Lacrosse
Head Coach: Josh Danziger
Assistant Coaches: Zach Donovan
Captains: Ethan Shaw, Michael Povolo, Joe Celentano

Seniors:
Nicholas Dimitrakiou
Nicolas DiNardo
Joseph Dickson
Mark Hackett
Jack Jones
Maximus Levin
Michael Povolo
Ethan Shaw
Marko Stankovic
Zachary Tucci

Juniors:
Perlin Amarante
James Both
John DaSilva
Anthony Giannotte
Jason Gordon
Frank Kalokitis
Braddan Rusu
Zander Timothy

Sophomores:
Nathaniel Alvarez
Daniel Bennett
Tristan DePrizio
Anthony DiTaranto

Freshmen:
Robert Cummings
Henry Jones
Matthew LaGala
Michael Post
Cooper Sellitto
Christian Tillie

Boys Tennis
Head Coach: Jim Holsworth
Captain: Gabe Jurkic

Seniors:
Yamin Ali
Daniel Clark
Michael Cline
Gabe Jurkic
Juan Martinez
Mauro Martinez

Juniors:
Jeremiah Dokum

Boys Volleyball
Head Coach: Darek Libucha
Assistant Coaches: Robert Romeo
Captains: Ludovico Povolo, Marcus Povolo

Seniors:
Justin Abreu
Kevin Coiro
Jalen DeJesus
Brian Katat
Ludovico Povolo
Marcus Povolo

Juniors:
Alexis Ferrao
Giancarlo LaTorre
Daniel Kania

Sophomores:
Jeremy Trinidad

Freshmen:
Michael Hearney

Note: Student names and other information on Spring Sports Rosters provided by the Coaches, March 2020.
We know there are many athletes who missed their opportunity to make PV proud on the field or the court this Spring. Using every platform available to us, we put out the word to the senior athletes to send photos of themselves and their teammates. Thank you to those who sent pictures!

We know you will always wear the Green and White in your hearts.
75TH ANNUAL
GIRLS SHOW 2020
PASSAIC VALLEY THEATER

Starring:
Mia Preziosi
Mark Huggins
Jeremy Kalokitis
Fabian Gallego
Alexandra Paese
Gabriella Cielo
Brooke Berrigan
Julia Ciampa

Director: Pia Vanderstreet
Stage Manager: Aidan Timms
Asst. Stage Manager: Kendra Smith
Prop Manager: Evan Sanchez

Art by: Fabian Gallego
Clubs and Activities

GSA Club
Art Club
Audio-Visual Club/PVTV
Spanish Club
Environmental Club
Future Business Leaders of America
Future Medical Professionals of America
Future Educators of America
Criminal Justice Club

Science League

Interact Club

Literary Club

Varsity Club

Computer Club

Peer Mentoring
Pedals for Progress
The Interact and Environmental clubs came together to help out at Passaic County's used bicycle and sewing machine collection. The donations will be put to good use in countries such as Ghana, Tanzania, Albania, Fiji, and Guatemala.

Annual Blood Drive
Staff and students age sixteen and older had an opportunity to donate blood with the New York Blood Center. We collected 104 pints of blood.
National Honor Society

Advisor: Mrs. Dellanno

~2019 Inductees~
Class of 2020
Sumaia Begum, Gabriela Davadi, Sevasti Logothetis, Gina Manzi, Alexander Martin, Ashley Martin, Freddy Maya, James Pacelli, Vincent Pagano, Khushabu Patel, Victoria Pizzi, Krisha Rana, Jadalynn Rodriguez, Yanira Santillan

Class of 2021

~Class of 2020 Members~
Justin Abreu, Mayada Agha, Samiha Allan, Christina Angelo, Brooke Berrigan, Michael Caravaglia, Angelo Coiro, Gabriella Cordova, John Dell’Aquila, Lexie De Luca, Makedonka Dimkova, Joseph DiTaranto, Patricia Giuriceo, Violette Go, Alyssa Graupe, Isabella Guarente, Brian Katat, Mohammad Kiyam, Gabriel Jurkic, Juliet LaRiccia, Kayla Leonard, Olivia Manfredo, Stephanie Martinez, Melissa Myrtaj, Sonia Naples, Eva Pavloska, Julia Pellicane, Julianna Perro, Gabriella Pesantes, Leandra Pesantes, Ashley Povolo, Ludovico Povolo, Marcus Povolo, Victoria Povolo, Mia Preziosi, Michaela Raguseo, Denali Santiago, Jerry Sevillano, Olivia Shpiruk, Olivia Sweezy, Matthew Sytsma, Dvija Thaker, Juliana Turdo

Passaic Valley Honor Society

Advisor: Dr. Jobst

~2019 Inductees~
Class of 2020

Class of 2021
Brooke Berrigan, Lexie De Luca, Patricia Giuriceo, Mark Huggins, Brian Katat, Julianna Perro, Mia Preziosi, Krisha Rana
World Language Honor Society
Advisor: Mrs. Papaleo
Spanish Honor Society Inductees 2019
Samiha Allan
Brooke Berrigan
Makedonka Dimkova
Patricia Giuriceo
Violette Go
Kayla Leonard
Sevasti Logothetis
Janeliz Martinez
Stephanie Martinez
Eva Pavloska
Gabriella Pesantes
Leandra Pesantes
Victoria Pizzi
Denali Santiago
Yanira Santillan
Olivia Sweezy
Dvija Thaker

Italian Honor Society Inductees 2019
Justin Abreu
Edward Bangaree
Marc Brandt
Angelo Coiro
John Dell’Aquilla
Lexie De Luca
Brianna Deluccia
Devyn DiPasquale
Joseph DiTaranto
Daniel Dransfield
Elizabeth Dubov
Luciana Forte
Brianna Getzoff
Isabella Guarente

Betul Koc
Gabriella LaRosa
Christopher Manzi
Ashley Martin
Teresa Payne
Julia Perdomo
Juliana Perro
Carmenalexia Petit
Michaela Raguseo
Natalie Rofail
Lauren Russo
Crystal Sandoval
Arianna Verazzo

French Honor Society Inductees 2019
Christie Ack
Jacqueline Davis
Trishauna-Aliyah Gordon
Mark Huggins
Elizabeth Kapelevich
Olivia Manfredo
Melissa Myrtaj
Krisha Rana
Rosa Taveras

National Art Honor Society
Advisor: Ms. Ingraham

Peer Mentoring
Advisors: Mrs. Morris & Mrs. Vigilante
THE PHOTOGRAPHER’S EYE
Our world through our eyes...

Thank you to Ms. Vasa for inspiring and guiding PV students in the art of photography.

Hailey Ocasio

Kosta Koukounas

Yazmine Cooper

Aisha Abdalla

Natalie Garofalo

Dayana Rojas

Makedonka Dimkova
Letter from the Editors

“Obstacles don’t have to stop you. If you run into a wall, don’t turn around and give up. Figure out how to climb it, go through it, or work around it.”

-Michael Jordan

To our wonderful staff and advisors to the students who helped fill this yearbook with amazing memories, thank you.

I began our second year as Valley Green staff members with a vivid idea of how this year’s book might turn out. Though we were met with bumps and curveballs along the way, we’re satisfied and overwhelmingly appreciative of anyone’s efforts in the final product.

We faced our most notable and unexpected hurdle during our final chapter due to the abrupt spread of COVID-19. For the safety of our staff and student body, we shifted our daily face-to-face interactions to digital communications. We are thankful that PV was equipped with the necessary technology and resources to support learning efforts remotely and hope this becomes an option rather than a necessity in the future. This period away from our classrooms and familiar halls has been a time of growth, reflection and gratitude. The unpredictability of our final days together made finishing this book a unique and unforgettable experience.

This yearbook is more than a collection of names. This yearbook is more than an assortment of pictures. This year’s Valley Green is the embodiment of the personal memories each student will carry with them into their next chapter. This PV through our eyes.

From late nights mulling over small details to caffeine-fueled morning meetings, we’re beyond appreciative of the operation and contributions of students, staff, parents, and the community during the production of this book.

This has been an experience unlike any other. As we move on to the next chapter of our lives, we hope you remember your time at Passaic Valley with joy as you reminisce Through Our Eyes.

20 Valley Green Editors, Gabriella Cordova & Alexandra Ward

Scan for a look at PV Through Our Eyes!
Around Pu
There Are...

2077 chairs to sit in

684 stairs we climb every day

1253 windows we daydream out of

18 basketball backboards to dunk on

619 doors to knowledge
3725 lockers we pass every day

74 different classrooms to learn in

253 spots we can park our cars in

1500 people the Griswold Gym can hold

beautiful Unity Garden
We Honor

"Mr. Rotella is a man of great wit and wisdom. I do not know a better man. Passaic Valley High School was very lucky that he served our community."

-Mr. Dave Settembre

"Mr. Ottino is the definition of professionalism both in the classroom as a math teacher and on the tennis court as the girls' head tennis coach. Mr. Ottino brought to all his classes not only a wealth of knowledge and experience from the real world, but he always did it with a smile."

-Mr. Sal Sileo

"Jenai Agosta's impact on her students as a teacher and the gymnastics coach was truly life-altering. They left her class and her gym more prepared to face the world than when they entered. Students were lucky to be in her care for thirty-eight years, and her colleagues were fortunate to share her laughter and warmth."

-Mrs. Kathleen Dellano
Our Retirees

Social Studies

"I've spent more than 15 years teaching and coaching football and track with Coach Johnson. He always wanted one thing for his students and athletes; to be successful. He is an excellent teacher, a passionate coach and a great friend. His presence in Hornet country will be missed."

-Mr. Al Cappello

Mr. William Johnson

Science

"Ms. Shtraks is the teacher all professionals should aspire to be. She commands and receives respect from all of her students. They know she challenges them in order to grow them. She has been an inspiration to anyone who has been in her presence."

-Mrs. Jamie Picarelli

Mrs. Elena Shtraks

We acknowledge and thank all faculty and staff who filed for retirement in 2020 after our publication deadlines had passed. To those individuals: thank you!
HERE’S TO YOU CLASS OF 2020!

Congratulations Jadal!

We are so proud of you and all you have accomplished. May God continue to bless you each day. You are smart, competitive, strong and a beautiful person. Reach for the stars and make all your dreams come true. Lots of luck as you will be beginning your new chapter in your life.

Love you, Mom & Kaiden!

Mya Glogovics

Mya,

You did it! Can’t believe the time has come for us to so proudly watch you graduate. Remember that no matter what you do or who you grow to be, we will always be right behind you cheering you on while you follow your dreams.

All of our Love,
Mom, Dad, Grandma & Tommy and your siblings

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CONGRATULATIONS “CLASS OF 2020”

Mark Hackett

It seems like just yesterday we brought our baby boy home. We were filled with love and excitement! Now seeing the wonderful young man you have become has made us so very proud and excited for what the future will hold for you!

We love you!
Mom, Dad, and Sarah

Bella, you make us proud each and every day!

Keep reaching for the stars Baby Girl...

We Love you,
Mom, Dad, Sophia, Ava & Beckham xo

Congratulations Isabella Marie

We have watched you grow into a beautiful, smart and caring young woman.

Bella, you make us proud each and every day!

Keep reaching for the stars Baby Girl...

We Love you,
Mom, Dad, Sophia, Ava & Beckham xo
GIANNA

Our little Princess,
May you smile today and everyday forward, your dreams are awaiting, we are so proud of you and love you always.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Love, Mom, Dad, Darren, Diana, Isabella, Ava, and Ms. Annie

LET YOUR SMILE CHANGE THE WORLD
BUT DON'T LET THE WORLD CHANGE YOUR SMILE

Keep shooting for the stars Kyle! Always BELIEVE in yourself! We Love You!

Mom, Dad, Pop Pop, Emma and all your family and friends

"Congratulations to the Class of 2020!"
Shoutout!
Puckney

Here words cannot express the pride we feel or the respect we have for you. We are in awe of your accomplishments thus far and look forward to seeing you on TV someday!

Nanny

Congratulations on your graduation. Wishing you much success and success always. Continue making us proud!

Grandma

Raguso

So proud of what you did and what you will do. Congratulations. Love you.

Grandma & Grandpa

"All our dreams can come true, if we have courage to pursue them." - Walt Disney

The Sanyosa

We couldn't be prouder! Don't stop reaching for your dreams.

Mom, Dad, and Nick

Rodriguez

Congratulations, Jada! We are so proud of you! Keep succeeding!

Tia Roby & Carol

Congratulations, Jada! We are so very proud of you! Keep being WESOME!

Tia, Lili, Gabriella, & Grandma

Congratulations, Jada! Good luck! We will miss you on the field. We're so happy and proud of you. Have the best time in college!

Bri, Taylor, & Devon

Denali Santiago

We've watched in amazement as you've grown into the person you are today, and we're watching with great anticipation to see what you will become. With your talent and determination, the sky's the limit! Congratulations!

Love, Dad, Melissa, and Cason

Kendra Smith

Kendra, the river of life has reached the next fork. Be adventurous, navigate amazing waters. The river does get turbulent, some routes taken get wild, sometimes unpredictable, but remember there are calm waters. Enjoy the ride, be present with the river and the scenery around you, choose the routes to stay true to your destination. The river you have paddled stays behind you, your future adventures are yet to come.

Love, Mom and Paul Wypasek

Swozy

We are so amazingly proud of all you have accomplished these last four years...keep working hard...your future is waiting for you!! We love you!!

Mom, Dad, Cassie

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In Memoriam

John Wallace
1947 - 2020

We honor the memory of John Wallace who left an indelible legacy at our school. Over the course of forty-three years he served as teacher, coach, Student Activities Director and, from 2002 - 2011, Principal of Passaic Valley High School.
We honor and remember Clifford Swisher (1924-2018). Author of our Passaic Valley High School song celebrating the Green & White.

Hail to our alma mater
Hail to the school we love
Carry her name to glory
Raise her banner above
True sons and daughters loyal
Keeping the torch alight
Make her fame immortal
The fame of the Green and White

Dorothy "D.C." Fontana

Dorothy Fontana graduated from Passaic Valley High School in 1957. She went on to become a successful screenwriter and story editor in Hollywood. She was the first woman to write for the original Star Trek and wrote several of its most famous episodes. Her legacy is an inspiration to PV students today.

1939-2019
Extraordinary times require extraordinary people. We would like to thank the following organizations and individuals for their help in making the book you are holding in your hands a reality. Our work would not have been possible without you:

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And to the Yearbook Class of 2019 - 2020:
Thank you for your dedication, commitment and resilience in doing something that has truly never been done before, working on and completing the Yearbook after March 13, 2020 when it was no longer possible to meet as a class. You guys rock! As you close the book on your high school career, we wish you all success in the next chapter of your lives.

Mrs. Hall & Mrs. Joseph
April 23, 2020

Co-Editors Gabriella Cordova and Alexandra Ward.
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A Year in Review 2019-2020
FIRST ALL-FEMALE SPACEWALK
NASA astronauts Christina Koch and Jessica Meir made history on Oct. 18 as the first women to participate in an all-female spacewalk. Koch and Meir braved a stroll outside the International Space Station to replace a power controller. The walk lasted 7 hours and 17 minutes as they spoke to NASA, shared their mission through cameras on their helmets and even voiced a call with President Trump.

IMPEACHMENT
The House of Representatives approved 2 articles of impeachment, which means to bring charges in Congress that will form the basis for a trial, against President Donald Trump. This made him the 3rd U.S. president after Andrew Johnson and Bill Clinton to face removal from office by the Senate. On February 5th, 2020, President Trump was acquitted of all charges.

ANCIENT CITY UNCOVERED
The lost city of Mahendraparvata was fully uncovered in Cambodia, after years of archeological investigation. The city, believed to be the first capital of the Khmer Empire during the 9th century, had long-evaded archaeologists due to the thick jungle obscuring the remaining buried urban network. Using research techniques from the ground and sky, researchers were able to fill in many aspects of the cityscape.
CORONAVIRUS PUTS WORLD ON HIGH ALERT

A coronavirus outbreak in Wuhan, China, prompted officials to issue the largest quarantine in human history, putting 16 cities with an estimated 46 million people on lockdown. The virus has spread to 21 countries, including the U.S. The respiratory virus infected thousands in China and claimed lives, causing countries to evacuate their citizens from areas near Wuhan and close their borders.

AUSTRALIAN BUSHFIRES DRAW INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT

Hundreds of bushfires raged across Australia from June 2019 into early 2020. Affecting the southeast region of the country, the wildfires destroyed an estimated 46 million acres, endangering both people and wildlife. Firefighters from the U.S., Canada, Malaysia, New Zealand and Singapore joined in the efforts to extinguish the fires, while people and organizations from around the world donated millions to aid in the recovery of injured citizens and animals.

TIKTOK - MOST DOWNLOADED APP

Social media app TikTok topped Facebook and Instagram as the most downloaded app in the world. Downloaded more than 1 billion times across the globe, TikTok allows users to create their own short videos.

NOBEL PRIZE HONOREES

Scientists John B. Goodenough, M. Stanley Whittingham and Akira Yoshino won the 2019 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for developing lithium-ion batteries which are used in cellphones, laptops, electric cars and more. Economists Abhijit Banerjee, Esther Duflo and Michael Kremer won the Nobel's Economic Sciences prize for a new strategy enabling solutions to world poverty through carefully designed questioning and experiments.

MILLIONS PROTEST FOR DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS

The world watched as millions took to the streets in different parts of the globe in the name of democratic rights. In Hong Kong, more than a million citizens protested the proposed China extradition bill, causing businesses all over the globe to face difficulties maintaining business relations with China, while supporting democracy in Hong Kong. Other movements erupted in Lebanon, Chile, Iraq and Haiti, calling out issues including economic reform, and the end of government corruption.
ORG DOMAIN SOLD
The internet domain .org was sold to private investment firm Ethos Capital. Nonprofits such as the YMCA and Girl Scouts of America, which occupy most of the .org sites, feared the sale would result in yearly price increases, censorship and websites closing. Ethos Capital assured they would keep .org accessible and moderately priced.

YOUTH MARCH AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE
More than 4 million young people from around the world filled the streets to inspire their leaders to address climate change. The movement calls for action to stop the earth’s rising temperatures, which are known to be caused by the burning of fuels and other human activities. 16-year-old Greta Thunberg, who was named Time magazine 2019 Person of the Year, led the weeklong global event while giving important speeches about climate change in meetings of world leaders.

GOOGLE TO OFFER CHECKING ACCOUNTS
Google is planning to offer checking accounts to help people accomplish more online. Competitors Apple and Facebook also offer payment service apps, but Google is teaming with a bank and credit union to offer the accounts, which customers can access through their digital wallet, Google Pay. Google hopes to stand out from its competitors by offering customers useful banking tools and insured accounts.
**FIRE IN NOTRE DAME CATHEDRAL**
The world watched in disbelief as fires nearly destroyed the historical Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, France. Though the 850-year-old monument lost its roof and steeple to the blaze, many of its religious artifacts survived, including its trio of round stained-glass windows and famous gargoyles. Restoration of Notre Dame is currently underway, thanks to generous contributions from around the world.

**HOLOCAUST ARCHIVE DIGITIZED**
The world’s largest archive of Holocaust victim records is now available to the public. Arolsen Archives, which has retained more than 30 million documents on people who were wronged by World War II’s Nazi regime, partnered with Ancestry.com to digitize the records as learning resources for future generations, relatives and researchers.

**EBOLA VACCINE APPROVED**
The first vaccine for the highly infectious Ebola virus was approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. The decision allows the vaccine Ervebo to be used more widely in countries at high-risk of the disease. Ervebo has been used on an emergency basis in the Democratic Republic of Congo and Guinea, where outbreaks have threatened the lives of thousands of residents and healthcare workers. The hope is to continue the distribution of Ervebo, worldwide.

**RESTAURANTS DITCH DINING ROOMS**
With the surge in online ordering and food delivery services like Uber Eats and Grubhub, restaurants are increasingly removing their dining rooms to focus on delivery and pickup. New York eatery Chopt removed its tables and cash registers in favor of online ordering and payment. Customers then had the option to grab-and-go their order at the restaurant, or have it delivered. Chick-fil-A and Starbucks also opened their first delivery-only kitchens in different U.S. locations.

**COLLEGE ADMISSIONS SCANDAL**
Over 50 people were arrested in the largest college-admission scam to ever be prosecuted by the U.S. Department of Justice. The case involved NCAA Division 1 coaches, Hollywood celebrities and other wealthy parents. Unbeknownst to the students, the parents conspired in various schemes to pay an admissions consultant a combined $25 million to defraud college entrance exams and athletic recruiting to be admitted to elite colleges and universities.
Researchers at MIT have developed a new optical imaging system that can locate tiny tumors deep inside the body. The technique, called DOLPHIN, uses near-infrared light wavelengths to penetrate body tissue and locate tumors as small as 200 cells, then duplicate the image and analyze it using a process called hyperspectral imaging. The researchers believe DOLPHIN will help with the earlier detection of cancers.

In addition to being the first to dive into the deepest points of the earth's five oceans, Victor Vescovo is also the only person to visit the very top (Mt. Everest) and the bottom of the world, a record for covering the greatest vertical distance without leaving earth. During each dive, Vescovo discovered new species and encountered a number of interesting ocean creatures including a rarely seen spoon worm at almost 23,000 feet and a snailfish.

Porsche and Boeing have teamed up to build flying cars. The vehicles are electric and allow riders to soar over congested cities. The cars will require expensive equipment like landing pads and charging stations, making them impractical for most buyers. Other global automotive groups like Terrafugia, Inc. and AeroMobile are also preparing to launch their own flying cars.

Scientists digging in North Dakota found a giant fossil that revealed what happened after a meteorite struck the Earth 66 million years ago. The fossil showed that fish, trees and even a triceratops had to contend with falling debris and massive tsunamis caused by the meteorite's impact. This important finding may lead to explaining how dinosaurs and other life became extinct.

Bees were named the most valuable living being in the world, recognizing their importance to the ecosystems that support life on earth. The pollination of bees is critical to around 250,000 species of flowering plants, from which animals feed and many everyday medicines are created. Significant efforts are being made to ensure the survival of these busy bees.
METRIC SYSTEM CHANGED
History was made when a unanimous agreement was reached to overhaul the International System of Units, also known as the metric system. Scientists agreed to change the principles on which the system is based upon from physical objects to constants in nature. This distinction will achieve more accurate measurements.

NATURAL REMEDY FOR SKUNK ODOR
Researchers have uncovered a fungus that can neutralize the pungent odor of a skunk’s spray. The fungus, Tolypocladium, creates a natural chemical called pericosine, which scientists tested against two compounds found in skunk spray. The results showed that it was able to remove the odor from the compounds. After slightly modifying the pericosine further, they were able to create a remedy for skunk stench that would be safe and effective on skin.

BLACK HOLE PHOTOGRAPHED
For the first time in history, a black hole was photographed in space by a group of international radio telescopes called the Event Horizon Telescope. The enormous black hole is 55 million light-years from Earth. Black holes have long been a mystery to scientists seeking to understand the phenomenon. This picture is the culmination of more than a century of work by scientists and confirms the existence of black holes that was first theorized by Albert Einstein.
Disney launched its long awaited new streaming service Disney+. The online streaming service launched with many of its classic movies and TV shows, along with its new critically acclaimed live-action movies. Other services announced and released their own new streaming services this year, including AppleTV+ and AT&T TV.

**NEW STREAMING SERVICES ON THE SCENE**

**REVOLUTIONARY PILL**

Scientists are developing a pill that can detect gut problems that lead to serious ailments like colon cancer and Crohn’s disease. Once swallowed, the pill is designed to find symptoms using pictures that are seen by doctors in real time. The pill can also be halted to study areas, then pulled after the diagnosis is complete. This has significantly reduced the impact of diagnostic procedures that previously required invasive measures.

**EARTH-FRIENDLY iPHONE 11**

Apple released its new iPhone 11, which used recycled rare earth elements in key components. These recycled materials were used to create the glass button pane on the front of the phone. As part of its annual environmental responsibility report, Apple reported recovering 32 kg of earth elements from every 100,000 iPhones recycled this year. Apple has pledged to continue reducing its carbon footprint, furthering progress of decreasing its environmental impact.
BIONIC EYE FOR THE BLIND
Second Sight, a California-based company, developed a groundbreaking bionic eye called Orion to help those who have lost their vision to recognize movement, light and darkness. The system, which is implanted into the brain, works with a tiny camera mounted on sunglasses to convert images of what is occurring in front of the person. This has helped people cross the street safely, sense car headlights at night and even blow out birthday candles.

SHOES FOR MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS
Nike designed a new shoe to support medical workers who are on their feet all day. Developed and tested with actual hospital staff, the new Air Zoom Pulse is easy to wipe off and clean, and the outer rubber soles have extra traction to prevent slipping. The shoe also offers the comfort of an enhanced mid-sole and heel, ideal for the continuous standing and walking medical workers must perform daily.

CAR SAFETY FEATURE DETECTS KIDS AND PETS
Scientists at the University of Waterloo have developed an affordable new car safety feature that can detect whether children or animals have been left inside. The small disc-shaped sensor, which attaches to a vehicle’s rear view mirror or ceiling, uses radar technology and artificial intelligence to sense breathing movements in the car. If detected, the system prevents the car from locking and releases an alarm to alert bystanders.

OCEAN CLEANUP BEGINS
The Ocean Cleanup’s mechanism designed to collect plastic from the Great Pacific Garbage Patch reached success. The system was invented by Boyan Slat when he was 18 years old and is designed to collect plastic pollution by working with the natural forces of the ocean. Along with large plastics, the system has also been able to catch abandoned fishing nets and plastics as small as 1 mm, known as microplastics.

DRONES FOR DELIVERIES
United Parcel Service (UPS) won the Federal Aviation Administration’s approval to use drones to deliver packages around the U.S. Beginning with hospital deliveries, the tiny aircrafts will be allowed to carry packages over 55 lbs. both at night and out of view of the remote operator.
U.S. WOMEN’S TEAM WINS WORLD CUP
The U.S. Women’s National Soccer Team won the 2019 FIFA Women’s World Cup Final against the Netherlands, in France. The 2-0 victory came after a scoreless 1st half, when U.S. co-captain Megan Rapinoe accomplished the 1st goal by penalty kick. Midfielder Rose Lavelle later cemented their victory.

FEMALE ATHLETES BREAK WORLD RECORDS
Simone Biles won her 25th world medal, the most of any gymnast to date. Cori “Coco” Gauff became the youngest to win a Women’s Tennis Association title and Alysa Liu became the youngest-ever U.S. National Figure Skating Champion. Sprinter Allyson Felix broke the world record for most gold medals, previously held by Usain Bolt. Brazilian soccer player Marta became the first athlete to score 17 World Cup goals, while Kenyan Brigid Kosgei beat the women’s marathon record.

GOODBYE TO NBA LEGEND
A helicopter crash in Calabasas, Calif., claimed the life of basketball legend Kobe Bryant and 8 others on Jan. 26, 2020. Bryant was one of the most celebrated National Basketball Association players of all time, and spent 20 years playing for the Los Angeles Lakers. He left behind a legacy of extraordinary scoring abilities that led to 5 NBA championship titles and 18 honors as an NBA All-Star player.

TORONTO RAPTORS TAKE HOME NBA CHAMPIONSHIP
The Toronto Raptors became National Basketball Championship winners for the first time after defeating the Golden State Warriors, 114-110. The victory was achieved during game 6 as the Raptors battled the 2-time-defending champions into the final seconds of the game. Kawhi Leonard was named MVP with 22 points, 6 rebounds and 3 assists.

NATIONALS TAKE WORLD SERIES TITLE
The Washington Nationals defeated the Houston Astros 6-2 in Game 7, winning their first World Series title and breaking Major League Baseball record by being the first road team to win all 7 games. Stephen Strasburg was named MVP of the series.
MYSTICS WIN FIRST-EVER WNBA CHAMPIONSHIP

The Washington Mystics won their first Women’s National Basketball Championship title after defeating the Connecticut Sun team, 89-78. The triumph unfolded during game 5 of the WNBA Finals, following a suspenseful 9 lead changes and 15 ties in the game. Emma Meesseman, who scored a game-changing 22 points, was named Most Valuable Player of the Finals.

BLUES WIN STANLEY CUP

The St. Louis Blues National Hockey team won their first-ever Stanley Cup Final after defeating the Boston Bruins. The 4-1 triumph came during Game 7 of the championship series. The victory was 52 years in the making, since the Bruins had defeated the Blues during the Blues’ last Stanley Cup appearance in 1970.

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS WIN SUPER BOWL LIV

The Kansas City Chiefs won their first Super Bowl championship in over 50 years after defeating the San Francisco 49ers 31-20 in Miami Gardens, Fla. The victory came after the Chiefs seized the lead in the 4th quarter, scoring 3 touchdowns during the final 6 minutes of the game. Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes made history as the youngest player to be named Super Bowl Most Valuable Player.
CHART TOPPERS

"OLD TOWN ROAD" BREAKS RECORD
"Old Town Road", the rap-meets-country remix hit by Lil Nas X and Billy Ray Cyrus, became the longest-standing No. 1 song in history after topping the Billboard Hot 100 Chart for a whopping 17 weeks. The song won multiple awards, including Song of the Year at the MTV Video Music Awards and Choice R&B/Hip-Hop Song at the Teen Choice Awards.

AVENGERS: ENDGAME

Avengers: Endgame made one super impression for moviegoers worldwide, as the fastest movie to exceed $2 billion at the box office and the top grossing film of all time. Selling the most tickets in just 11 days, the Marvel blockbuster broke the record previously held by Avatar, which took 47 days to pass the $2 billion mark.

KIDS' CHOICE AWARDS
Zendaya, Jace Norman and Jojo Siwa took home top honors at the 2019 Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Awards. Zendaya was awarded Favorite Female TV Star for her role as K.C. Cooper in K.C. Undercover, while Norman was named Favorite Male TV Star for his Henry Danger character. Henry Hart/Kid Danger. Siwa was voted Favorite Social Music Star and performed an energized mash-up of her most popular songs.
**FROZEN II**

Frozen II set a world record after achieving the highest grossing opening weekend and highest gross earnings for an animated film at the global box office. As of 2019, the long-awaited sequel had earned more than $450 million. Frozen II also made history on the Billboard 200 albums chart as the first new full-length soundtrack to reach No. 1.

**VMA TOP WINNERS**

The MTV Video Music Awards hit a high note for female artists Taylor Swift, Ariana Grande and Billie Eilish. Tying with Grande for the most nominations, Swift won Video of the Year for her song "You Need To Calm Down" while Grande was crowned Artist of the Year. Eilish was awarded Best New Artist.

**UNTITLED GOOSE GAME**

Most Popular Video Game

House House's quirky Untitled Goose Game became the most unexpectedly popular game of 2019, among gamers and non-gamers alike. The seemingly pointless game allows players to become a common goose who causes everyday mischief in a small English town. The game went viral, inspiring memes and praise from hardcore gamers to celebrities.

**CELEBRATING COUNTRY MUSIC**

The unforgettable 2019 Country Music Awards began with an all-star tribute to outstanding women in country music history that included Loretta Lynn, who was in attendance. Top honors of the night went to Garth Brooks as Entertainer of the Year. Kasey Musgraves won Female Vocalist of the Year. Luke Combs took home the Male Vocalist of the Year award and Ashley McBryde was named New Artist of the Year.

**BOX OFFICE BLOCKBUSTERS**

Disney dominated the movie scene, securing the 5 highest grossing films of 2019.

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VIRAL SENSATIONS
The most widely viewed 2019 videos include everything from showing unbelievable household object repairs using ramen and glue to the “Bottle Cap Challenge,” made popular through celebrities like Jason Statham, inspiring millions to attempt opening a bottle with a roundhouse kick. Keke Palmer’s struggle at an interview launched the “Sorry to This Man” meme, leading to the creation of hilarious and relatable drags on everyday situations. In the music scene, pop hit “Despacito” by Luis Fonsi and Daddy Yankee became the first video to reach 5 billion views.

POPEYE’S SELLOUT SANDWICH
Fast food restaurant Popeye’s launched a limited edition chicken sandwich that sold out in 2 weeks and the publicity didn’t stop there, thanks to social media. The sellout went viral, with millions searching for locations that still had the new sandwich. On platforms like Twitter, fast food competitors began an “us versus them” exchange.

TOP SLANG WORDS
The online space has helped to speed up the evolution of language faster than ever. Popular slang terms of the year:

- **Full Send**: Going all in, without fear of the outcome.
- **Mood**: A relatable situation, meme, or gif.
- **Tea**: Specific details of a new, dramatic situation; friends “spill the tea.”
- **Receipts**: Screenshots, pictures, or video to provide proof of an event.
- **Lewk**: Creating and wearing a unique style.

PUG LENDS VOICE TO HALO
Halo: Infinite, the latest game in the popular Xbox series that allows humans to battle aliens, got creative when it came to producing their unique alien sound effects. The game’s creator 343 Industries hired a pug named Gyoza to lend her grunts, huffing and gurgles as sounds for the game’s alien characters.

AREA 51 RAID
Millions pledged to raid Area 51, a United States Air Force base in Nevada rumored to be hiding proof of aliens, E.T. and other conspiracies. The event started as a joke and gained a huge following on social media. The overwhelming response caused the Air Force to worry but in the end, only about 150 people gathered and were later sent away by police.
BABY YODA
This year, the public fell in love with the tiny green alien coined “Baby Yoda” from the Star Wars: The Mandalorian series. Officially called “The Child,” the character resembles the original Yoda character from Star Wars films and has the super powers to match. Capturing hearts for its adorable presence, Baby Yoda became an instant sensation on social media and incited a demand for merchandise such as T-shirts and toys.

PICKING UP LITTER GOES GLOBAL
When it came to cleaning up litter, people took action all over the world. Many participated in the viral #TrashTag Challenge, which encouraged people to post “before and after” photos of the beaches, roadsides, parks and other areas they chose to clean up. Meanwhile, 633 divers near South Florida’s Deerfield Beach International Fishing Pier set a new Guinness World Record for the largest underwater cleanup.

ON TREND

TOP FASHION TRENDS
Tiny handbags were the purse of choice when it came to accessorizing, while sportswear took a “grown-up” turn with the launch of nylon shell suits and athletic-style outerwear fit for job interviews. Gender neutral clothing was the most popular style, with well-known designers and even new brands emerging to create streetwear, formalwear and accessories with everyone in mind.
FUN & GAMES

FINISH THE STORY...
You are an outer space explorer lost off-course. Suddenly, you find yourself being sucked into a black hole! What happens as you fall into the black hole? What does it look like inside? What will happen next?

SOLVE THESE WORD RIDDLES

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