

# *Cane Way Recognition Program*

*Wilmington Middle School*

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## **Brandon Baltazar**

Nominated by: Mr. Wilkinson

Brandon greets me every morning bright and early with a smile on his face. Brandon comes to class every day prepared with completed work and an eagerness to learn. I do not have to motivate Brandon or redirect him because he is all business in the math classroom. Brandon always works hard, asks questions for understanding and gives his best effort. Brandon never takes days off and has taken complete ownership of his education. Brandon is a daily demonstration of The Cane Way! – Mr. Wilkinson

## **Addi Beckett**

Nominated by: Mrs. Perkins

It is my pleasure to nominate **Addi Beckett** as a **Cane Way** award winner. Addi is in my science class and homeroom. When Addi comes into the classroom she is full of curiosity, has a positive outlook, and is ready to get down to business and learn. She perseveres when faced with a problem and works her way through it. Addi is always ready to learn new things and broaden her mind about science. I am thrilled to have her in my class. She is very optimistic and a wonderful student. - Mrs. Perkins

## **Braydon Black**

Nominated by: Mrs. Depp

Braydon Black is a student that goes above and beyond every day to help others. Braydon always completes his work and is a role model for his peers. He comes to class everyday prepared and ready to learn. Braydon is always ready to help other students and his teachers. His willingness to volunteer his time shows how thoughtful he is and demonstrates his strong character. He volunteered his time during lunch to help other students complete their 3D cell homework. He was always very kind and generous while helping them. Braydon has such a strong, positive presence about him which exemplifies The Cane Way. Congratulations Braydon on a job well done! I am very proud of you! - Mrs. Depp

## **Mikayla Bond**

Nominated by: Mrs. Byrne

Mikayla greets everyone every day with a smile on her face and a “Hello.” She cooperates consistently with her teachers and other students and transitions easily between classroom activities without distraction. Mikayla is courteous and shows good manners in and out of the classroom. She strives to reach her full potential and is committed to doing her best. I enjoy having Mikayla in my class. – Mrs. Byrne

## **Jeremiah Buckler**

Nominated by: Mrs. Floyd

Jeremiah Buckler has the willingness to adapt to a new school and new situations with a positive attitude. – Mrs. Floyd

## **Lexi Calloway**

Nominated by: Mr. Hughes

Throughout her seventh grade year, Lexie has been a model student. Lexie shows up to school every day with a positive attitude and a willingness to improve in all subject areas. She is polite, respectful and very hardworking. Although quiet, Lexie displays many leadership qualities especially in small group settings. It has been a pleasure to watch Lexie grow and improve so far this year. – Mr. Hughes

## **Kailyn Cordy**

Nominated by: Ms. Lewis

During her seventh grade year, Kailyn Cordy has shown great drive and determination. In language arts, she has regularly been at the top of her class. Kailyn strives for excellence in her own work, and she helps others to master the daily concepts. Within her writing, she has grown as an author by applying each new skill learned this year. While Kailyn worked in Mrs. Haberlandt’s class, she showed a high aptitude in mathematics. When she was offered the chance to move to advanced math, she did not shy away from the challenge. Knowing that she would enter the class almost a quarter behind the other students, Kailyn showed her drive and determination by working diligently to catch up with her peers. – Ms. Lewis

## **Zainne Cowin**

Nominated by: Mr. Camp

The student I would like to take few moments to recognize a student that exemplifies “Cane” character. I have known him for 2 plus years. It brings a smile to my face when I interact with him and/or observe him in multiple settings such as the cafeteria, hallways, and in the classroom. Besides performing extremely well academically, he is a leader amongst his peers. He carries himself with maturity beyond his years that influences many if not all his peers. He even has assisted me in getting students to redirect their behavior. He is a natural calming leader. He is Zainne Cowin. – Mr. Camp

## **Jocelyn Edens**

Nominated by: Mr. Beck

Joss is a very responsible young lady who takes her academics seriously. When she learned that her family would be out of the country during our first choir concert, she spoke to me immediately to learn what was needed for her grade. She made the extra effort to complete her assignment before her family left town, even though it was not due until later! – Mr. Beck

## **Gregory Farfan**

Nominated by: Mrs. Harlan

Narrative about student: Gregory is a kind and caring young man. He has shown responsibility and integrity in all aspects of his school day. Gregory’s dedication to his education is evident by his attendance record. He is a role model for other students by demonstrating the Cane Way in the hallways. Way to go Gregory! - Mrs. Harlan

## **Gladys Gonzalez**

Nominated by: Mrs. Houdieshell

Gladyds was a great leader in health class. While outside for wellness Wednesday, Gladys made sure the games were fair and that everyone got an opportunity to play. In class, Gladyds was an academic leader who helped her peers, followed instructions and engaged in class discussions. – Mrs. Houdieshell

## **Maggie Gunn**

Nominated by: Mrs. Groves

Maggie demonstrates the Cane Way every day in her attitude and outlook on life. She is able to look at any given situation from several different points of view and has made some difficult decision based on what is best for her future. It has been a pleasure to get to know Maggie! - Mrs. Groves

## **Lauren Kessler**

Nominated by: Ms. Minzler

I'm nominating Lauren Kessler, she is an eighth grader. Every morning and after Art class she will literally stop what she is doing to get the door for me. This models thoughtfulness, caring, and consideration of others. Thank you.- Ms. Minzler

## **Tanner Killen**

Nominated by: Mrs. Haberlandt

It is certainly true that there are many things that Tanner Killen does well. He is a straight A student, a great athlete, and an excellent role model for his classmates in school and on the field. I could stop there, and I would still consider Tanner worthy of a nomination. But I actually nominated Tanner because of how he handles himself when things don't come easy. While clearly disappointed after a rough football game, Tanner still smiled, showing appreciation when I asked about it. I later watched as Tanner tried and tried and tried again to complete a very difficult extra credit math problem. He kept at it until completely correct, even though he didn't need any extra credit, just for the challenge of completing it. Ultimately, I nominated Tanner because his focus on daily improvement and excellence embodies The Cane Way. Mrs. Haberlandt

## **Harley Lane**

Nominated by: Mr. Bouts

Harley is the picture of consistency in my class. He is always on task, and he gives his best effort in everything he does. Based on my observations, it looks like he does the same in every class. He is a quiet leader, who leads by example. He is willing to help others when needed. He is someone I can always count on with anything I could ever ask him to do. Oh, and he has some pretty excellent t-shirts! – Mr. Bouts

## **Landon Mellinger**

Nominated by:

Landon is an exemplary role model for his peers. He can often be seen helping other classmates with classwork or helping to explain something in English to his ELL peers. Landon also encourages his friends when they are unsure of themselves. He is willing to ask questions when he doesn't understand something or to go out of his comfort zone to try something new. He expresses his concern when a concept doesn't make sense. Landon makes me smile or laugh almost every day. He has a great sense of humor (he laughs at himself and me). He strives to do his best and show others what his best looks like. Landon definitely demonstrates WMS's CANE WAY! – Mrs. Batrell

## **Devyn Mitchell**

Nominated by: Mrs. Sexton

Today I needed a student to help get a new student from the middle school to the high school office. I knew that this was a sensitive responsibility. Our newer student was going to need someone who he could trust and that someone had to be the type of student that could make our newer student feel at ease.

I looked at my pickings - and there was Devyn. I didn't hesitate. She would be perfect. Because that's who Devyn is. She's the someone you can count on to make others feel comfortable. She's the someone I could count on to make it to the high school and come back. :) Devyn didn't hesitate either. She grabbed her things, waited for our newer student and off they went down the hall. I watched the interaction; making sure he was comfortable; making sure this sensitive mission was a go. There she was just talking away to the student, hands flying - never a stranger has Devyn meet.

Devyn works hard in and out of the classroom. She is active in her learning and can be a little hard on herself. She always wants the product to be just a little better. Devyn plays volleyball with all her heart. I have watched her wicked serve and team spirit at matches. She just makes you want to cheer louder for the Cane victory.

Students need more peers like Devyn. Teachers need students like Devyn. Our world needs more people like Devyn. These are the kids that bring sunshine wherever they go and will make a difference today and tomorrow and the next day. – Mrs. Sexton

## **Hayley Moon-Storer**

Nominated by: Mrs. Culberson

Hayley is an absolute delight to have in class. Daily, she exhibits the Cane Way expectations of being responsible, respectful and safe. But her outstanding attributes do not end there. Hayley is the first student to volunteer to help others. She is a fabulous role model for her peers. I greatly appreciate her classroom participation. Again, having Hayley Moon-Storer in our classrooms is totally awesome! – Mrs. Culberson

## **Zoey Moore**

Nominated by: Mr. Scott

Zoey does it all. She has perfect attendance, she gets the grades, she pays attention 100% of the time, she is a constant source of maturity and poise. But most importantly to me, she is a fearless learner. She is not afraid to make mistakes, laugh at herself, or challenge herself (and me) with the tough questions about WHY things happened the way they did in history. She makes my job easier because she is a model student, but she pushes me to be a better teacher because I know she is pushing herself to be a better student. Thank you, Zoey. - Mr Scott

## **Banessa Morales**

Nominated by: Mr. Green

Banessa is a very hard working, respectful student. She is always giving her best effort, whether she fully understands the material or not. She is inquisitive and wants to do her best at all times. She is one of the most respectful and polite students I have and is a great example to other students. She has a great personality and it shows in her interactions with students and her math work. Banessa or 'Banelas' or 'Banana' is a wonderful student and person!! – Mr. Green

## **Ella Neuenschwander**

Nominated by: Shari Murphy

Ella is an outstanding student in so many ways. Everyday, she walks through the door with the best attitude. No matter what class activity, lesson, or assignment, she is eager to learn and has a positive outlook on school. Not only is she enthusiastic about education, Ella also behaves perfectly in class. She is kind to everyone, quiet and respectful when people are addressing the class, listens well to classroom instructions, volunteers frequently, and is always willing to help others. In addition to these attributes, Ella works diligently in class by always producing her best on all assignments. She has even gone "above and beyond" by agreeing to write an article for our WMS newspaper even though she is not in the newspaper class. Furthermore, her impeccable reading and writing skills are a direct reflection of her love of reading. It is an extreme pleasure to have the opportunity to work with Ella this school year. – Mrs. Murphy



## **Austin Oglesby**

Nominated by: Mrs. Mueller

It is my pleasure to recognize Austin Oglesby for Cane Pride. Austin is responsible, motivated, and hard-working. He comes to school every day with excitement for learning and a willingness to go above and beyond. Austin is always willing to help teachers and fellow peers, whether that be in the classroom, hallway or cafeteria. He is a model student who sets a positive example for his peers. As one of Austin's teachers, I am grateful for the opportunity to recognize his positive attitude and hard work. – Mrs. Mueller

## **Eli Otto**

Nominated by: Miss Steinmetz

Eli has been a wonderful addition to my math classroom! Every day Eli comes into the classroom smiling and ready to learn. His enthusiasm is contagious and he pushes his peers to do better. Eli is not only a role model for his positivity, but also for his incredible work ethic. He never gives up and perseveres through even the hardest of problems. Eli is never scared to ask a question or for help when needed. I am honored to teach him every day. Congratulations! - Miss Steinmetz

## **Briston Plymire**

Nominated by: Laura Besser

Briston is always prepared for class and eager to learn. She is willing to jump in to help others when needed and is very patient when providing help. Briston participates in class frequently, whether it is during class discussions or to answer questions. She is a positive role model to her classmates and I enjoy having her in class. – Mrs. Besser

## **Trey Reed**

Nominated by: Mrs. Conarroe

Trey models the Cane Way everyday at Wilmington Middle School. He is a leader in being safe, respectful, and responsible in the hallways and the classroom. Trey comes to class prepared, participates in class and is always kind to both his teachers and peers. Trey stands up for his beliefs and in making good choices. This is an outstanding quality because he is not afraid to be himself. For these reasons, I nominate Trey Reed for the October Cane Way award. – Mrs. Conarroe

## **Alexis Roberts**

Nominated by: Mrs. Thomas

Alexis Roberts is very responsible and willing to assist in various projects. She takes initiative to progress and goes above and beyond expectations. - Mrs. Thomas

## **Noelle Robertson**

Nominated by:

Noelle challenges herself to go beyond what she can already do artistically, which is quite a lot. She is driven to work outside of class to develop and create highly detailed work with a story. She asks excellent questions and leads by example in the classroom. – Mrs. Taylor

## **Chandni Sharma**

Nominated by: Mr. Platt

I wish I had a whole classroom of students like Chandni. She comes to class everyday with that great smile and positive attitude that even picks me up on a daily basis. Yes, she gets A's, works hard, strives to do her best every single day but it's the kind of person she is that stands her out. She brings to class a heart full of kindness, excitement and willingness to help everyone in class. She does this not because she has to but because of who she is. Cane Way and Chandni Sharma are one in the same. – Mr. Platt

## **Shannon Spies**

Nominated by: Mrs. Gilbert

There is never a time Shannon isn't willing to help her peers. She is very calm and patient. Shannon is always smiling from ear to ear, even first thing in the morning. Shannon shows responsibility by following the expectations and having her materials ready to go when the bell rings. She is part of the Peer Autism team and is always eager to go to the classroom to help on Friday afternoons. – Mrs. Gilbert

## **Mckiley Smith**

Nominated by: Miss Wiles

Mckiley Smith demonstrates the Cane Way each and every time I see her. She is respectful to both her teachers and her peers. She comes to class prepared and ready to learn. Every time I see her, she has a smile on her face and a positive attitude. She also demonstrates the Cane Way through her kindness towards her teachers and the other students. Mckiley works to build her peers up instead of tearing down their self image. – Ms. Wiles

## **Tessa Taulbee**

Nominated by: Mr. Martini

Since day 1, Tessa has been a leader in the building. One example of her leadership was taking her desire to be a part of an American Sign Language Club and turning this desire into a new club which she leads. She took the initiative to find a teacher to sponsor the club, created a schedule for meeting dates and times, and designed posters and other communications which advertised the club. In addition to her leadership she comes to school each day with a positive attitude. Recently when she had injured her foot in gymnastics, she was to wear a boot over her cast to allow her to walk. Her boot had gotten wet and we talked about a few different ideas for how she could get around school. For her there was one option, this was to hop around the school on one foot and go through her day like normal. This type of leadership ability, positive attitude, and persistence will take Tessa far in life and I look forward to seeing the amazing things she will accomplish. – Mr. Martini

## **Jenna Taylor**

Nominated by: Mrs. Dixon

Jenna always comes to class prepared and ready to learn. She engages in class discussions, asks and answers questions and always gives 100% effort. She understands and can analyze historical events and their relationship to events in today's world. – Mrs. Dixon

## **Makenna Tolliver**

Nominated by: Mrs. Young

Makenna has been a pleasure to have in class. She never complains and is always willing to help students when she is asked to be a peer tutor during math class. Makenna never excludes students during activities. She always goes above and beyond when completing her classwork and homework. She exemplifies “THE CANE WAY” each and every day.

Makenna is very confident with herself and her abilities. At the beginning of the school year, Makenna shared the “1 weird thing I can do is....” with the class. It was amazing to see her “touch her butt with her head” as the class looked on with amazement. It has been fun getting to know her so far this year, and I look forward to the rest of the school year with Makenna. - Mrs. Young

## **Sydney Totten**

Nominated by: Mrs. Spradlin

Sydney Totten is an excellent student. She has an wonderful work ethic and takes great care in her work. One thing I really like about Sydney is that she doesn't wait for someone else to tell her what needs to be done. When she gets new music she starts to learn it right away. She is also a strong leader in the classroom, by setting a strong example and by helping others. Thanks for all your hard work Sydney! - Mrs. Spradlin

## **Patrick Tucker**

Nominated by:

Patrick is always respectful and courteous to everyone. He demonstrated his leadership abilities by working very hard in class every day. Patrick stands out among his classmates because of his positive attitude and willingness to try new things. I am looking forward to having him in class for two more years. Both Patrick and his parents should be very proud of the young man he is becoming. - Mrs. Harrington

## **Brooklyn Watson**

Nominated by: Mr. Hopf

Brooklyn is a prime example of what it means to show “The Cane Way”. Not only does she have outstanding achievement, but you will also find she is one of the first people to help others who are struggling. Brooklyn is often found raising her hand to participate in group discussions and questioning. Her grade speaks for itself on her mastery of the science concepts we have studied up to this point. Often times when we break into group work, Brooklyn will invite others to join her group knowing they might struggle if they had to work individually. She is joy to have in class and makes seventh period much more fun knowing she is in there. – Mr. Hopf

## **Aubree Weller**

Nominated by: Ms. Dotson

Aubree is a very positive person, who always greets me with a smile. I enjoy her uplifting spirit and look forward to her kind words every day. She is an exceptional student who takes initiative, participates in class, and is always willing to help out others. – Ms. Dotson

## **Nathan Wood**

Nominated by: Mr. Hellmund

Nathan displays strong work ethic and is a dedicated student. He has often come in on his own time to complete advanced lab activities. He has demonstrated both high quality academic prowess and exceptional team work over the past month. It is with great pleasure that I nominate this exceptional young man. – Mr. Hellmund

## **Hunter Wright**

Nominated by: Mrs. Steele

Hunter always has a positive attitude in the classroom. Hunter will ask questions and participate in group discussions. Hunter is full of school spirit and is proud to be a Hurricane. Hunter is a kind and caring person. He will ask teachers and students how their day is going or ask about their weekend. Hunter is a model student and person in and outside the classroom. – Mrs. Steele

## **Cameron Zimmerman**

Nominated by: Ms. Cadwallader

I nominate Cameron Zimmerman. Cameron works hard daily. He is very conscientious about his work and always does his homework. He is very respectful to his peers and his teachers. He does an excellent job not only helping the Japanese students when needed but also anticipates their needs. He is a positive role model for other students. – Ms. Cadwallader