

# Press Release

## Solana Beach School District

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### **Solana Beach School District Celebrates Outstanding Students!**

*The Solana Beach School District recognized and celebrated the 2023 Student Inspiration Award recipients, and the 2022-23 Association of California School Administrators Student Standout Awardees.*

***With a strong community presence*** - The Solana Beach School District (SBSD) Board of Education, school and district staff, students, families, and community members brought back an in-person celebration of student recognitions. During the regular Board meeting on May 18, 2023, principals, assistant principals, and teachers from each school site recounted powerful stories of their exceptional students, with each recipient present with their classroom teacher to accept their award and recognition.

Rightfully denoted as the Student Inspiration Awards, school and district staff were excited to bring back the time-honored tradition of celebrating inspirational students with their families and peers present.

“It has been four years since we’ve been able to convene together to celebrate our amazing SBSB students in person,” recounted Superintendent Brentlinger.

Students proudly displaying their awards for all to see, received a heartwarming response from the audience. Recognitions for courage, fellowship, leadership, self-improvement, academic improvement, and effort were thoughtfully presented to students who regularly live out SBSB’s vivid vision of inspiring wonder and discovery in learning and life.



Also recognized for excellence in the arts, science, humanities, fellowship, and courage were the 2022-23 Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) student standout awardees. One student from each of the seven SBSD schools was celebrated by their classroom teacher, principal, families, and community members. SBSD, in unison with ACSA, believes every student deserves equal opportunities to succeed. With these awards, SBSD celebrates students as learners who find their voice, share their gifts, and advance the world. SBSD students reinforce the positive contributions they are making and will continue to make into their and our futures.

Please also join us in celebrating all our ***2023 Student Inspiration Award recipients!***

**Carmel Creek School**

Kindergarten: Vihan Passi - Fellowship

First Grade: Uhyun Lee - Leadership

Second Grade: Cate Lothspeich - Leadership

Third Grade: Samantha Friberg - Fellowship

**Skyline School**

Fourth Grade: Jaxson Dufresne - Effort

Fifth Grade: Jovani Mejia - Effort

Sixth Grade: Isaac Rojas - Self Improvement

Global (Sixth Grade): Berkeley Dalcourt - Community Service

**Solana Highlands School**

Kindergarten: Connor Greene - Courage

First Grade: Nadia Van Dyne - Academic Improvement

Second Grade: Nathaniel Gould - Courage

Third Grade: David Primosher - Leadership

Fourth Grade: Trey Okumura - Effort

Fifth Grade - Valter Lindholm - Leadership

**Solana Pacific School**

Fourth Grade: Kansu Mag - Leadership

Fifth Grade: Caylee Foo - Academic Improvement

Sixth Grade: Cooper Jurman - Academic Improvement

**Solana Ranch School**

Kindergarten: Avery Garza - Effort

First Grade: Vivian Oldakowski - Fellowship

Second Grade: Leonardo Sun - Effort

Third Grade: Lucia Mateo - Courage

Fourth Grade: Olivia Hwang - Effort

Fifth Grade: Dominic Tsiang - Fellowship

Sixth Grade: Abhi Bhanage - Effort

**Solana Santa Fe School**

Kindergarten: Shalmali Lotlikar - Effort

First Grade: Mithran Vinoth - Leadership

Second Grade: Aldo Huerta Lopez - Effort

Third Grade: Yiyang "Jack" Lu - Self Improvement

Fourth Grade: Alice Andrade Rodrigues da Cunha - Leadership

Fifth Grade: Leo Posner - Leadership

Sixth Grade: Sarah Etchie - Leadership

### ***Solana Vista School***

Kindergarten: Magnus Hernandez - Effort

First Grade: Aldo Cantoran - Effort

Second Grade: Ryder Whitfield - Fellowship

Third Grade: Emery Stirm - Academic Improvement

Join us in celebrating the **2022-23 ACSA Student Standout Awardees!**

<b><i>School</i></b>	<b><i>Student Name</i></b>	<b><i>Grade Level</i></b>	<b><i>Recognition</i></b>
Skyline School	Parker Chinnock	Sixth Grade	Arts
Solana Vista School	Lark Culyba	Third Grade	Arts
Solana Santa Fe School	Annabelle Halabo	Sixth Grade	Fellowship
Solana Highlands School	Samesh (Sam) Wurth	Fifth Grade	Science
Carmel Creek School	Alexandra Klekota	Third Grade	Courage
Solana Pacific School	Samuel Koslover	Sixth Grade	Humanities
Solana Ranch School	Avery Cooch	Sixth Grade	Fellowship

### **ABOUT THE SOLANA BEACH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The Solana Beach School District, nestled on the north coast of San Diego County, serves approximately 2,800 students. Instruction is rich, varied and innovative. Our emphasis is on core standards instruction provided through a continuous progressive curriculum. District schools consistently rank at or near the top in district, county and state accountability measures. Our students and schools have received numerous awards and have been recognized at county, state and national levels for a variety of accomplishments. Working together, our mission focuses on providing a safe space where learners find their voice, share their gifts, and advance the world. Unified is our district, centered on inspiring wonder and discovery in learning and life.