



*Artwork by Senior Student  
Dawn Cruz*

*McKinley Sr. High School  
Senior Recognition  
May 22, 2019*

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### **Timken Early College High School**

Kenneth L. Brunner, Principal  
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## ORDER OF EXERCISES

*“Always Remember Us This Way”* ..... Lady Gaga  
Kennedy Williams, Soloist

*Pledge of Allegiance* ..... JROTC Color Guard

*Welcome* ..... Mr. Thomas F. Hill

*“New York State of Mind”* ..... Billy Joel  
Tehilah Caviness, Soloist

*Presentation of Awards* ..... Mr. Hill & Faculty

*Congratulations Class of 2019!*

Kemphorn Motors Excellence Award  
Edythe Hassler Vogelgesang Memorial Scholarships  
Leavell AWAKE Award  
McKinley Class of 1924 Scholarship Award  
*Donated by the McKinley Class of 1924*  
Adrienne O'Neill Scholarship

#### Robert Driz Young Scholarship

*This scholarship was created by Robert Young, who was born in 1922 and graduated from McKinley where he played baseball and basketball. His years at McKinley meant much to him, so he created a perpetual scholarship for McKinley students.*

#### James and Ruth Stokes Scholarship

*This scholarship was presented to Campus Principal, Diedre K. Stokes-Davis by Derek and Jeremy Stokes on February 18, 2011, at the 10th Annual Pathfinder's Assembly in honor of their mother and father. James and Ruth Stokes were strong supporters of McKinley High School. Ruth was a 1943 graduate of McKinley and maintained a 4.0 GPA. She pushed all 10 of their children to take education seriously, participate in extracurricular activities, and to go on to college. James and Ruth supported the "Bulldogs" in all aspects and the family wants this scholarship to go to a deserving student that exemplifies this same drive, passion, and support for the McKinley Bulldogs both academically as well as athletically. It is very important to note one of Ruth's favorite sayings: "Get an education, as it is the only thing that no one can take away from you."*

#### John Fultz Timken Early College High School Scholarship

#### Houck Scholarships

*Six \$2500 scholarships, renewable for a second year  
Donated by a generous local businessman and awarded to six Canton City School seniors so that they have an opportunity to further their education.*



## Bulldog 100 Tom Peloso Award

## Nickolas P. Douglas Scholarship

*The sole and exclusive purpose of this award is to create a living and useful memorial to the memory of Nickolas P. Douglas, a former student of McKinley High School.*

## **Career Tech Education Awards**

### Outstanding Student Award

*These awards are given to the Outstanding Student from each of our Career and Technical Programs.*

### Joseph Bogdan Memorial Scholarship

*Joseph Bogdan served as a teacher and administrator for over three decades in the Stark County area. He served as an assistant principal for the former Timken Senior High School for several years. This scholarship is given in his honor to assist students in the Career and Technical Education programs with furthering their education. Mr. Bogdan was very passionate about giving back to his community and held a special place in his heart for the students of Canton City Schools. This award is given in the amount of \$350 to help offset the cost of books and tuition for post-secondary education.*

### 12-Point Credential Awards

## **Guidance**

### Academic Letter Awards

### Ohio State Young Scholars

### Dianne Talarico Education Scholarship

*This scholarship was created in memory of Dianne Takarico, who spent her life in the field of education and was a Canton City Superintendent where she positively affected many lives.*

### Akron Beacon Journal Star Students

### AWARE Award

### Aultcare Team Spirit Scholarship

### YMCA Character Champs Scholarship

*Donated by Canton Rotary Club*

### David A. Kaiser Memorial Scholarship

*Established by Gerald S. Jacobs in honor of his friend and former classmate David A. Kaiser, longtime educator and Canton City School Superintendent from 1983 until his retirement in 1989.*

### Donald and Thelma Eberly Scholarship

*Mr. Eberly graduated from McKinley Senior High School and went on to the College of Wooster. He was a practicing attorney in the area. His wife, Thelma, taught English and History at McKinley after graduating from Wittenberg.*

### Dr. Larry Hentsch Scholarship

*Dedicated to the memory of Dr. Larry Hentsch, who was a School Guidance Counselor at McKinley for 22 years; it is given to a student who plans on entering the field of education.*

# **AWARDS FOR 2018-2019**

## **Class Officers & Student Council** **Student Council Scholarship**

### **Instrumental Music**

Outstanding Senior Female Musician

Outstanding Senior Male Musician

Audrey Starkey Memorial Scholarship

*Audrey Starkey was a sophomore in the McKinley Band in 1994. Her life was taken on Christmas Eve when the car she was a passenger in was hit by a vehicle running a red light. In memory of Audrey, her family donated money to help a band student in their academic pursuits after high school.*

Paul Flad Instrumental Music Memorial Scholarship

*Mr. Flad was a McKinley graduate and went on to play with many big bands. The Flad Music Memorial Award goes to a person that has been an active part of the music program at McKinley Senior High School.*

### **Vocal Music**

Janet Harner Smith Most Improved Choir Award

Ruth M. Cogan Memorial Music Award

George Khoury Memorial Scholarship for Theater Arts

*George Khoury was a 1939 McKinley graduate who, after serving in the United States Merchant Marines, pursued a career as an actor. He appeared with well-known actors such as Errol Flynn, Humphrey Bogart and Spencer Tracy. The award is given to the top theater student planning on a career in theater.*

### **Art**

Art Faculty Award

Originality in Art Award

Art and Letters Award

Rising Student Artist Award

Mitchell & Victoria Shaheen Memorial Scholarship for Art

*Donated by Mitchell Shaheen, 1961 McKinley Graduate in honor of his father, Mitchell Shaheen a 1935 McKinley Graduate who went on to become a successful chemist and his wife Victoria Shaheen a 1939 McKinley graduate.*

### **English**

Wade Lessig English Award for Excellence in Analytical Writing

Cynthia Horne English Award for Excellence in Creative Writing



## **McKinley Top Academic Scholars - Summa Cum Laude**

*These students have successfully completed their education with a 4.3 or above GPA.*

## **Outstanding McKinley Female Student**

*Given to an outstanding female student chosen by popular vote of the McKinley Senior Class.*

## **Outstanding McKinley Male Student**

*Given to an outstanding male student chosen by popular vote of the McKinley Senior Class.*

The following prestigious awards are presented each year to honor a female and male student who represent general excellence and outstanding leadership. Winning this honor shows that these students have earned the respect of both their teachers and their peers:

**Miss McKinleyite**

**Mr. McKinleyite**

## **Closing Remarks**



## **Speech & Debate**

### **Alan B. Rubinstein Award for Excellence in Forensics**

*This award is named after Alan B Rubinstein, former coach of McKinley Speech and Debate and member of the OHSSL Coaches' Hall of Fame. It is given each year to outstanding senior speech members who show excellence in competition as well as leadership skills. The winners each receive an individual plaque, as well as having their names added to a perpetual plaque kept in McKinley's trophy case.*

### **National Forensic League Ruby Awards**

*Given to less than one percent of all graduating high school seniors, this award consists of an engraved frame and a pin or pendant set with a number of rubies each signifying accumulated excellence in speech and debate, this award is a rare honor.*

### **McKinley Speech and Debate Hall of Fame**

*An award given to students who achieve one of the following: Qualify to the State Tournament four consecutive years, reach at least the semifinal round of the State Tournament, or reach the final round of the National Qualifying Tournament.*

### **National Forensic League Honor Cords**

*These honor cords are given to graduating members of the speech team who have gained membership into the National Forensic League and have competed in either OHSSL District or State, or NFL District or National Tournaments.*

## **Athletic**

### **Neininger Memorial Award – Baseball and Football**

*Donated by the family of Jim Neininger, an avid baseball and football booster who felt dedication, commitment, hard work, and unselfishness in those sports should be rewarded.*

### **Federal League Scholar Athlete Awards**

### **OHSAA Archie Griffin Award – Female/Male**

*As part of an ongoing program to promote sportsmanship, ethics and integrity, the Ohio High School Athletic Association continues to recognize students who display exemplary sportsmanship. This award is given for Archie Griffin, an Ohio native and the only two-time recipient of the Heisman Trophy for football.*

### **OHSAA Courageous Student Award**

### **OHSAA Scholar Athlete Award – Female/Male**

*The Ohio High School Athletic Association has given these awards annually to senior student-athletes who display the highest grade point average at the end of their seventh semester and have received a minimum of 4 varsity letters. The award reflects the commitment of both the OHSAA and State Farm Insurance to the academic excellence of Ohio student-athletes.*

### **OHSAA/Spectrum Scholar Athlete Award - Male/Female**

### **NFHS National Award of Excellence**

*The National Federation of High Schools' Board of Directors has created the NFHS National Award of Excellence certificates to be awarded to students who have displayed exemplary sportsmanship, ethics, and integrity.*

### **Bulldog 100 Award for Outstanding Female and Male Athlete**



## **Foreign Language**

French Award of Excellence

Spanish Award of Excellence

## **Science**

Dr. Edward & Melba Arnold Memorial Science Award

*Donated by Harriet Arnold Freedman, Class of 1961*

Science Achievement Award Female

Science Achievement Award Male

Stan Becker Award for Excellence in Science & Baseball/Softball

*Given in memory of former McKinley teacher Stan Becker to a student who excels in both science and baseball or softball, two of Mr. Becker's favorite things.*

## **Social Studies**

McKinley Economics Scholarship

Social Studies Achievement Award

## **Math**

Tom Love Mathematics Achievement Award

*Presented in honor of Mr. Tom Love, McKinley mathematics teacher who retired in 1994. In 1991, Mr. Love was named the Greater Canton Chamber of Commerce Teacher of the Year. He received \$1,000 along with the recognition. He, in turn, gave the money to our school to be used for this award.*

## **Yearbook**

Outstanding Editorial Leadership

Outstanding Layout Designer

Outstanding Salesperson

Outstanding Senior

## **Canton Repository Stark County Teen Board**

Representative, Students of the Month

Stark County Teen-of-the-Month Award

Stark County Teen-of-the-Year Award

## **AP Seminar Distinction**

**“Going Up from Here” by Averil Allison, Senior Student**

Here I am and here I stand in the middle of all this mayhem  
Where I go and where I stay is all on my own  
Not yours to own  
So I'll worry bout me  
And you'll worry bout you  
I wish you luck on your journey  
Whether I rise or fall  
Although I pray I don't fall  
I know

That I'm only goin up from here  
I've left behind all my tears  
I've been there, done that left it behind me  
Even though some of the things hurt, they stay behind me  
And I'll fight my way through my battle  
And I'll win my own victory  
I'll fight til the end and I'll never forget what life has taught me  
To go up from here  
To go up from here

I will fly and I will reach until the sky runs out now  
To those who try to shoot me down you'll never get a chance  
Which way do I turn and which path do I take to make it on my journey?  
If I turn the wrong way I know that I will make it back to the road I know

So I'm only goin up from here  
I've left behind all my tears  
I've been there, done that left it behind me  
Even though some of the things hurt, they stay behind me  
And I'll fight my way through my battle  
And I'll win my own victory  
I'll fight til the end and I'll never neglect my destiny  
To go up from here  
To go up from here

Here I am and here I stand  
It is all about to end now  
Center in my life I've seen my time  
I gave it my all

And I lifted you up  
I've helped you along  
We've made it on our journey

# **Canton McKinley Alma Mater**

Hail to Thee  
McKinley Senior  
Our Alma Mater True  
Forevermore  
Thy Sons and Daughters  
Will Sing their Praise to You  
Through Knowledge Gained and Friendships  
We all Unite as One  
Hail to Thee  
McKinley Senior . . .  
Our Hopes and Dreams have just Begun



**“Where Champions are Made  
and Success is Tradition”**

