So who is the Class of 2017?

The **Class of 2017** consists of a total of **312** students, **160** boys and **152** girls. Included in the class are **55** National Honor Society Members, **5** National Merit Commended Students, **2** Semifinalists and **1** National Merit Finalist.

This class is sending approximately **eighty eight percent** on to further education. **Two hundred seventy three** will be attending either a four-year or two-year college. **Seven** seniors are planning to attend a business, vocational technical or other specialized school. **Fifty-one percent** are planning to attend either a public or private college in Connecticut.

Some of the schools our graduates will be attending are: American University, Boston University, Bowdoin, Brandeis, Clark, Cornell, Hamilton, Holy Cross, McGill, NYU, Rensselaer, RIT, Williams and Yale. **Forty-five percent** of the four-year college students will be attending the University of Connecticut or Central, Eastern, Southern or Western Connecticut.

**Five percent** of the students are planning to enter the labor market or armed services.

Financially, there is a grand total of approximately **$681,000** in scholarships and grants that have been accepted by our students through state and local organizations.

**Well done Class of 2017!**
Congratulations to all our scholarship recipients. Thank you New Milford for your support and encouragement to our graduates as they continue with their education.

- **A. Russell Ayre Scholarship**: Matthew Adamou, Fiona Brady, Kimberly Escobar, Krystal Ferrante, Chloe Fisher, Kelly Flynn, Isabela Lamorte, Vanessa Nepomuceno, Caitlyn Parker, Hunter Seegers, Olivia Streaman, Madeline Symon, Kendall Stewart
- **American Legion Ezra Woods Post #31 Award**: Michael Carroll, Anthony Harkin
- **Andrew B. Mygatt VFW Post #1672 Good Citizen Award**: Angela Lian
- **Arion Singing Society German Language Award**: Jennifer Kast
- **Betty Olson Coles Memorial Scholarship**: Thomas Lebert
- **Big Y Scholarship for Academic Excellence**: Drew Humphreys, Cesar Gavilano, Meadhbh Ginnane, Sam Maniscalco, Raquel Morehouse
- **Brian Dickey Memorial Scholarship**: Alexander Zevin
- **CABE Student Leader Award**: Kevin McNulty, Kendall Stewart
- **CAS Arts Recipient**: Kyrsten Lane, Abigail Myhill
- **CAS/CIAA Scholar/Athlete Award**: Drew Humphreys, Raquel Morehouse
- **CAS Leadership Award**: Hellen Elizondo, Derek Profita
- **CT Broadcaster’s Association**: Patrick Murphy
- **Connecticut Community Foundation**: Meadhbh Ginnane, Alexander Zevin
- **Dexter E. & Katherine R. Hoyt Memorial Scholarship**: Andrew Rella, Andrew Romano
- **Donald H. Knowles Memorial Scholarship**: Frank Magnante
- **Dunkin Donuts Scholarship**: Sam Maniscalco
- **Ellen Knowles Harcourt Foundation Scholarship**: Chelsea Dubret, Matthew Mills, Matthew Sweeney
- **Erwin “Chick” Lieff Memorial Scholarship**: William Ginn
- **French Honor Society Scholarship**: Shayna Caprio
- **Gail Carlson NM Ambulance Scholarship**: Caitlyn Parker, Kendall Stewart, Tianna Wells
- **Gaylordsville Historical Society**: Thomas Lebert
- **George R. Wetmore Memorial Scholarship**: Kathleen Mickelson
- **German Honor Society Scholarship**: Jessica Ho, Thomas Lebert, Rebecca Thomas
- **Gladys Cummings Memorial Scholarship**: Kelly Flynn
- **Greater New Milford Board of Realtors Scholarship**: Anthony Harkin, Morgan Melendez
- **Greater NM Film Festival Scholarship**: Liam Pitt
- **Healing the Children Scholarship**: Kelly Flynn, Morgan Melendez
- **Hord Foundation**: Darius Baker
- **John Pettibone Memorial Scholarship**: Darius Baker, Leah Cognato, Jacob Dieterle, Kimberly Escobar, William Ginn, Anthony Harkin, Kurt Jonke, Thomas Lebert, Sam Maniscalco, Kathleen Mickelson, Ryan Paist, Ian Speziale, Kaylei Thomas, Tianna Wells, Alexander Zevin
- **John Phillip Sousa Band Award**: Sean Charles
- **Justine Wendy Smith Scholarship**: Tara Crescenzo
- **Karlson Family Foundation Scholarship**: Kimberly Escobar, William Ginn, Alexander Gmuer, Tianna Wells, Alexander Zevin
- **Kenneth Hipp Memorial Scholarship**: Marisa Gueli
- **Kiwanis Club of Danbury Scholarship**: Hunter Seegers
Knights of Columbus Connecticut Council #40 Scholarship: William Ginn, Avery Kelly

Larson/Schultz Scholarship: Kathleen Mickelson

Latino Scholarship: Cesar Gavilano, Kimberly Escobar

Lenny Casacalenda Scholarship: Leah Cognato

Lois A. Fletcher Memorial Scholarship: Marisa Gueli

Louis Armstrong Jazz Award: Michael Carroll

Lynn Marie DeCaro Memorial Scholarship: Thomas Lebert

Mildred Larson Memorial Scholarship: Jessica Ho

NMHS National Honor Society Chapter Award: Anthony Harkin, Abigail Myhill, Olivia Streaman

National School Orchestra Award: Annamaria Coca

National Merit Scholarship Commendation: Anthony Harkin, Jennifer Kast, Christopher Kipp, Sam Maniscalco, Raquel Morehouse, Rebecca Thomas

National Merit Scholarship Semi-Finalist: Drew Humphreys, Ian Spezial

National Merit Scholarship Finalist: Ian Spezial

Naval Academy Appointment: Cameron Berger

Navy ROTC Scholarship: Evan Brofford

New Milford Band Parents Scholarship: Jamie McGee, Samantha McGuire, Stephanie Johnson, Frank Magnante, Kendall Stewart

New Milford Cafeteria Workers Memorial Scholarship: Isabela Lamorte

New Milford Education Secretaries Association Scholarship: Emma Norcross

New Milford Historical Society Scholarship: Ann Qiu

NMHS Student Council Award: Kira Joseph-Lim, Kristen Mastosciolo, Olivia Streaman

New Milford Girl Scouts Scholarship: Kendall Stewart

New Milford Lions Club Scholarship: Kelly Flynn

New Milford Police Union Criminal Justice Scholarship: Allison Ferrault

New Milford Police Union Leadership Scholarship: Fiona Brady, Nicole DeBenedictis, Thomas Lebert, Abigail Myhill, Olivia Streaman

New Milford PTO Scholarship: Matthew Adamou, Christopher Bouzakis, Kory Cyr, William Ginn, Megan Lynch, Kevin McNulty, Abigail Myhill, Andrew Rella

New Milford Registered Nurses Scholarship: Morgan Melendez

New Milford Rotary Scholarship: William Ginn, Sam Maniscalco, Andrew Rella, Anna Qiu, Madeline Symon

New Milford School Administrators Association Scholarship: Hellen Elizondo, Herlandt Lino

New Milford United Methodist Men's Club Frank Landig/Fred Bennett Memorial Scholarship: Frank Magnante, Vanessa Nepomuceno

Nobel B. Booth Scholarship: Cameron Berger

President's Award for Academic Excellence: Cameron Berger, Evan Brofford, Chloe Fisher, Cesar Gavilano, Meadhbh Ginnane, Anthony Harkin, Jessica Ho, Brigit Humphreys, Drew Humphreys, Stephanie Johnson, Jennifer Kast, Angela Lian, Herlandt Lino, Frank Magnante, Sam Maniscalco, Raquel Morehouse, Mia Nahom, Michael Price, Anna Qiu, Ian Speziale, Olivia Streaman, Ali Touuil

Prudential Spirit of Community Award: Emma Greene

Robert E. Muro Sr. Memorial Scholarship: Matthew Mills

Roger Sherman DAR Chapter Award: Alexander Zevin

Salutatorian: Sam Maniscalco

Spanish Honor Society: Tiffany Parsard, Olivia Streaman

SWC Leadership Award: Sam Maniscalco, Mia Nahom


United Nations CT Scholarship: Sam Maniscalco

Village Green Scholarship: Meadhbh Ginnane, Sam Maniscalco

Valedictorian: Drew Humphreys

VFW Auxiliary Post 1672 Scholarship: Heaven Leigh Velazquez

Vincent Gorman Scholarship: Thomas Lebert

VJ Reddy Memorial Scholarship: Darius Baker

Walter G. Southworth Scholarship: Matthew Sweeney

Western CT Superintendent's Award: Nicole DeBenedictis, Jacob Dieterle

Woman's Club of Greater New Milford Scholarship: Kendall Stewart, Olivia Streaman
New Milford Adult Education Holds Commencement Exercises

Twenty-one proud graduates of the New Milford Adult Education program walked the stage at New Milford High School on Wednesday evening, June 14, 2017 to receive their high school diplomas. Adult Education Facilitator Christy Martin says, “The graduating class of 2017 highlights the diversity of Adult Education. Old, young, American or foreign born they all worked hard to achieve this one common goal of obtaining their high school diploma. Watching these students come together as strangers and grow together into a family is one of the best side effects of our program and gives me great joy.” With their high school diploma in hand, these students will now have an opportunity for better jobs at better pay, attending post-secondary training or college. Congratulations to the following:

- Cole R. Cerrato
- Carrie Dawson
- Mark Heinonen
- Gabriella Ann Main
- Justin Mendoza
- Salvatore Robinson
- Thuy Tran
- Arianna Chavez
- Andrew J. Eng
- Angela Johnson
- Iris Marino
- John M. Moniz
- Melanie Shaw
- Alexis J. Watson
- Theresa L. Coons
- Kevin Emmanuel Jonathan Geffrard
- Julien Magoon
- Gordon J. McKnight
- Brittany Anne Rich
- Margarita Siguenza
- Anonymous

Congratulations to the following Adult Education students for special recognition of achievement:

- Special Achievement in Education – Thuy Tran
- Commitment to Education – Theresa Coons
- Outstanding Performance – Jessica Lavierve
- Academic Excellence – Gordon McKnight and Jacqueline Larmore
- Attendance – Jackie Larmore
- Current Issues – Carrie Dawson and Aiden Woods
- Short Stories – Mark Heinonen
- Creative Writing – Shamek Brown and Gordon McKnight
- Read/Write Connection – Jacob Wood and Connor Lautier
- Visual Literacy – Gordon McKnight
- Leadership Service – Shamek Brown, Theresa Coons and Jackie Larmore
- Customer Service – Jacob Wood
- Model Student – Carrie Dawson
Best Wishes to our other “Graduates"
The 2016-17 NMPS Retirees!
You will be missed.

- Norma Calhoun
- Valerie Clapp
- Joan Conn
- Trudy Cox
- Kathy Dombal

- Joe Dragone
- Linda Durkin
- Angela Dzurka
- Alice Edmonds
- Lorraine English

- Monique Gil-Rogers
- Sue Guertin
- Lynn Holmes
- Bob Keck
- Diana Lyttle

- Gloria Marchionne
- Brenda Mead
- Linda Meeker
- Beth Obstgarten
- Joe O’Dea

- Barb Polley
- Joann Salamon
- Pat Shannon
- Chris Sprindis
- Roxanne Willoughby
Time to Look Back with Thanks

Special thanks to the New Milford PTO whose members contribute in so many ways to making each school year a success for all students, from our youngest EXCEL preschoolers to our recent high school graduates.

At the last BOE meeting, Mrs. Kathleen Lewis, Town-wide PTO President, provided a summary of PTO contributions for this school year:

- 62 volunteers served on PTO Boards
- 300 volunteers total
- Partnered with more than 9 businesses in the New Milford area to help raise funds
- Sponsored more than 51 events during school hours, and 33 events outside of school hours. Some of the events included author visits, assemblies, movie nights, glow dances and bingo
- Sponsored 22 staff events
- Organized volunteers for hearing & vision testing, field days, cafeteria help, hanging art for art shows and helping with school productions
- Awarded eight $1,000 scholarships to NMHS seniors
- Contributed more than $140,000 to the schools in grants, gifts given to students and staff, hardship requests for field trips and yearbooks, and scholarships