

KAREN FUCCELLO SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARDS CEREMONY



**A PARTNERSHIP SERVING
ESSEX COUNTY
STUDENT ATHLETES**

**PRESENTED BY:
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ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION**

Monday March 6, 2024
Nanina's in the Park
Belleville, NJ

KAREN FUCCELLO



**IN LOVING MEMORY
OF OUR TRUE FRIEND, MENTOR
AND COLLEAGUE**

PROGRAM

WELCOME

MASTER OF CEREMONIES.....Joe Piro, Nutley High School

PRESIDENT’S ADDRESS.....Gerhard Sanchez
President, ECADA
Director of Athletics, Essex County Vocational Schools

INVOCATION.....Lorenzo Sozio, Director of Athletics
Mount Saint Dominic

DINNER

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT OF THE YEAR.....Felicha Mann
Presented by Liz Aranjó
Director of Athletics, Newark Public Schools
Newark Public Schools

CONTRIBUTIONS TO ESSEX COUNTY ATHLETICS.....Pat Council
Presented by Liz Aranjó
Director of Athletics, Newark Public Schools
Newark Public Schools

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR.....Anthony Minella
Presented by Joe Piro
Director of Athletics, Nutley High School
West Essex High School

SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARDS..... presented by
Injoo Han, Montclair Kimberly Academy
Joe Piro, Director of Athletics, Nutley High School

STUDENT REFLECTION.....Nouseline Georges
Irvington High School

CLOSING REMARKS.....Rich Porfido
President of SEC
Director of Athletics, Columbia High School

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT OF THE YEAR
FELICHA MANN, NEWARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS



With over 20 years of dedicated service within the school district, Felicha Mann, our esteemed administrative assistant of Health, Physical Education, and Athletics, brings a wealth of experience and a unique skill set to the team at the Newark Board of Education. Proficient in procurement logistics and management, she ensures smooth operations to support our scholars' athletic endeavors.

Driven by a passion for fostering active and productive scholar engagement, Felicha is committed to providing every scholar in the district with opportunities to excel in team sports. Their goal is to cultivate not only physical prowess but also essential values like teamwork and resilience.

As a steadfast supporter of Newark's athletes, Felicha works tirelessly alongside athletic directors and coaches, ensuring they have the resources necessary for success within the athletic programs. Being an integral part of the team and witnessing scholars thrive brings Felicha immense joy and a profound sense of honor in their role. Felicha Mann is dedicated to the game, the scholars, and the community, making a lasting impact on the athletic landscape of the Newark Board of Education.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR
ANTHONY MINELLA, WEST ESSEX HIGH SCHOOL



Anthony Minella has been in the West Essex School District since 1991 where he taught Industrial Arts, Math and Special Education. He began his career at his alma mater, Passaic Valley High School in 1987 where he taught Industrial Arts and coached Football and Wrestling. He took over the PV wrestling program in 1988. Anthony continued to be the Head Wrestling Coach at PV until 1996. In 1997 began coaching Wrestling at West Essex until 2006. He had many successful seasons both at PV and West Essex, winning numerous County, Conference and District titles.

Anthony served the NJSIAA and the wrestling community as the Region President and State Vice President for 15 years. He is in the Region 4 Hall of Fame, inducted in 2012. Anthony began his tenure as an Athletic Director at West Essex in March of 2015. Since that time, he has served on many committees within the County and Conference. He is also currently the Interim Executive Director of the SEC/ECADA.

Anthony credits his award and successes to his coaching staff, full support of the administration and community, his family and especially his “partner” Mrs. Marion McGuinness. He would like to extend his congratulations to all the SEC Scholar Athletes and wishes them an abundance of success in their future journey.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO ESSEX COUNTY ATHLETICS

PATRICK COUNCIL, NEWARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS



A leader and organizer with over twenty years of administrative experience in youth sports and athletics, Pat Council has worked diligently to provide the best outcomes for youth and young adults in the City of Newark. He served as the manager and director of recreation cultural affairs and senior services for the City of Newark and was vital in the cities resurgence in national park scores, renovations of parks and numerous state awards for programming.

As the founder of Jackie Robinson Little Baseball / Pop Warner and Cheer, he has addressed the need of over six hundred families a year in Newark providing wholesome recreational opportunities for families. As the youth opportunity Coordinator for the Newark Board of Education, he has worked to support major field projects and the growth of elementary and high school sports. Council has a deep belief in public private partnerships and believes that collaborations are essential to creating environments where our athletes can excel. Patrick Council continues to be an advocate for all Essex county athletes and utilizes his voice to affect positive outcomes for sports programs and facilities.

As a former educator, Council understands the strict demands of being a student athlete, and with the Newark Board of Education helped in implementing the game point task force, which is the policy that governs eligibility for district athletes. Pat Council work has reached throughout the entire district and his community. He will continue to fight for fairness and the right for athletic and academic freedom for all.

**SPECIAL THANKS TO THE KAREN FUCELLO SCHOLAR ATHLETE
DINNER COMMITTEE**

**STEVE JENKINS, LORENZO SOZIO, ROB GOGHERTY, DAN ROMANO,
TERRANCE BROGDON, MICHELLE WILSON, LAURA PALMEREZZI,
INJOO HAN**

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LEGENDS, ROOKIES, PROSPECTS AND STARS



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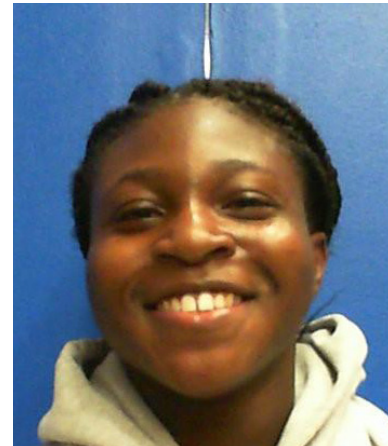
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Denis Quinteros
Bard



Johanna Ruiz
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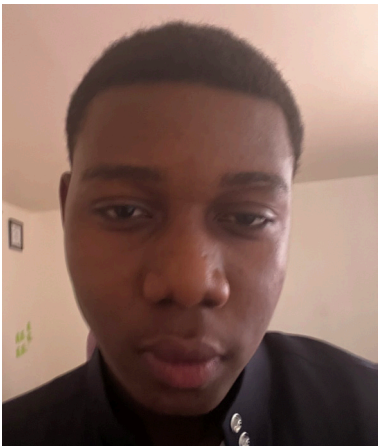
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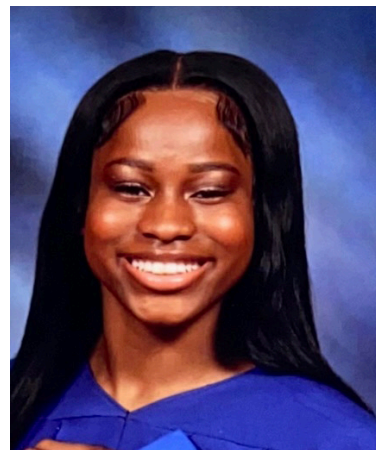
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Glen Ridge



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Glen Ridge



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*Immaculate Conception
High School Montclair*



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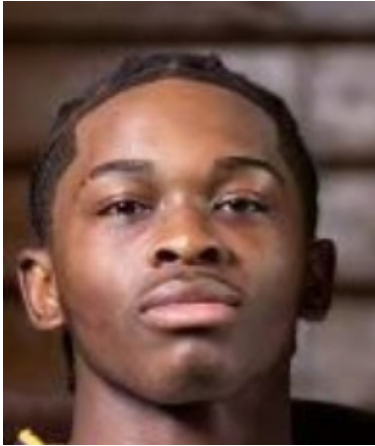
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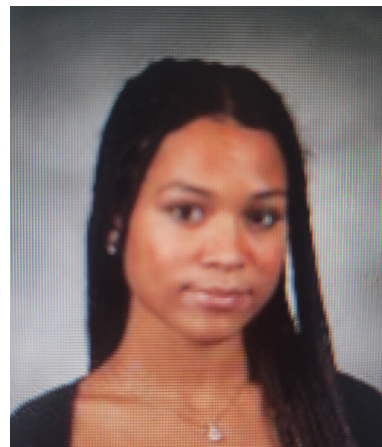
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Orly Sedransk
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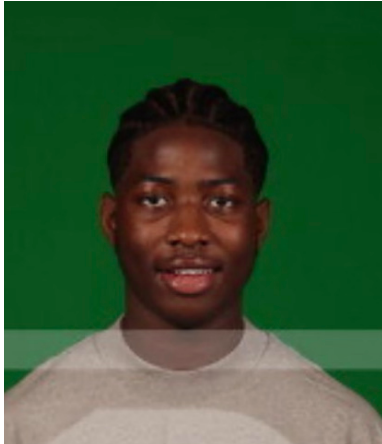
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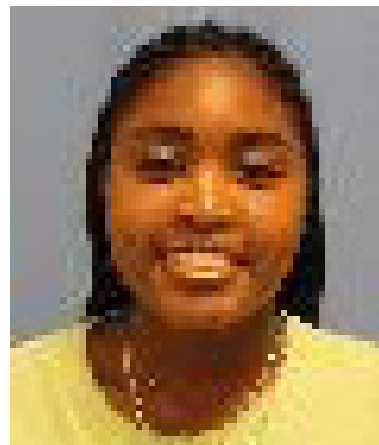
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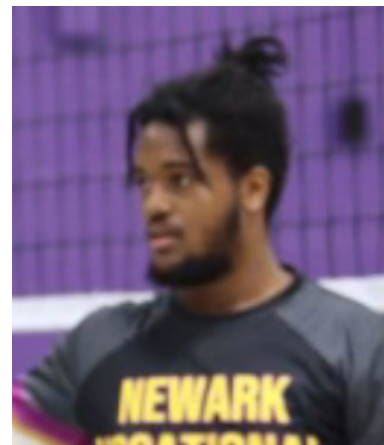
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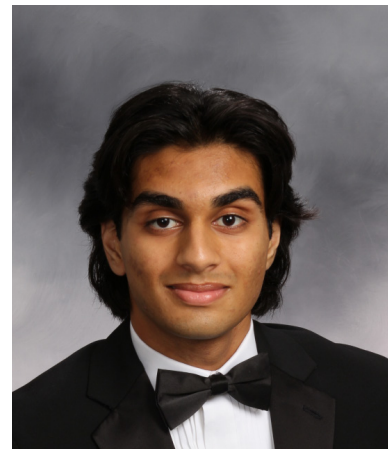
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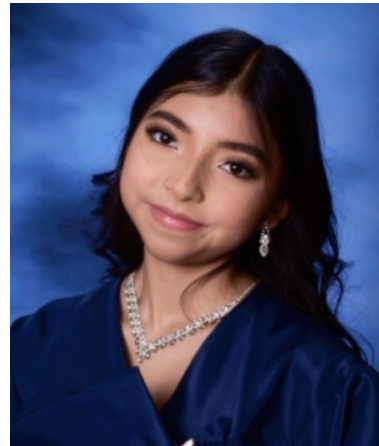
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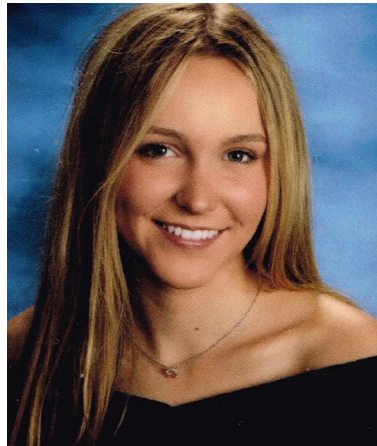
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