

OGDENSBURG CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OGDENSBURG, NEW YORK

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SUBJECT: Recognition of the Valedictorian and Salutatorian for of the Class of 2017

DATE: April 3, 2017

REASON FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION:

The Commissioners will recognize the Valedictorian and Salutatorian for the Class of 2017.

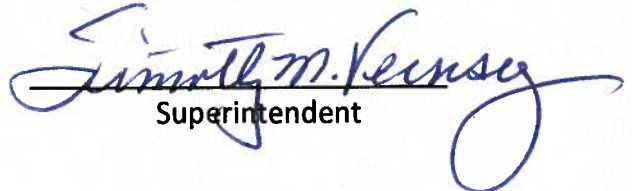
FACTS AND ANALYSIS:

The students with the highest and second highest 3 ½ year average will earn the titles of Valedictorian and Salutatorian. Students named Valedictorian and Salutatorian must have completed more than 5 semesters at OFA. The Valedictorian and Salutatorian, as well as the Class President, will address their classmates, family, and friends at the Graduation Ceremony. The Ogdensburg City School District Board of Education would like to congratulate Hayley Snodgrass, Valedictorian of the Class of 2017 and Margaret Peo, Salutatorian of the Class of 2017.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

No action necessary, information only.

APPROVED FOR PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD:

  
Superintendent



**Valedictorian is Miss Hayley Snodgrass** – Hayley is the daughter of Mr. Paul and Mrs. Lynette Snodgrass of Ogdensburg. With a grade point average of 97.29, she is ranked first in her senior class of 83 students; a position she has maintained throughout her high school career. Hayley will graduate with an Advanced Regents with Honors diploma and an annotation that denotes Mastery in Math and Science in June, 2017. Hayley has achieved AP Scholar status by earning a score of 3 or higher on all of the AP exams she has taken. She has been an Academic All-Northern since 2014. This year, Hayley was selected as our WWNY Academic All-Star. She was nominated and is expected to receive a NYS Academic Excellence Scholarship as well.

Hayley is a member of National Honor Society. She has been a member of our swim team for the past four years which has earned her NYSHPA Scholar Team and is an Academic All-Northern. She has attended our Academic Recognition Ceremony throughout her high school career which qualifies her to be seated at the head table this year.

Hayley is a talented musician who has participated in All County-Concert Band, Senior Band and Jazz Band for the past four years. She performed in the NYSSMA Solo Competition in 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade, and the Area All-State Concert Band in 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade

Hayley has been an active member in Key Club over the past few years. Her volunteerism includes the city clean up, Salvation Army bell ringer, bottle drives, worked the 'Spooky Sprint', assisted during Tag Day, and she has been providing tutoring services to our younger high school students who are struggling academics.

Hayley has been awarded with the Fredrick Douglas and Susan B Anthony Award, 1<sup>st</sup> place in the 2015 St. Lawrence University Pi Mu Epsilon Interscholastic competition, Le Moyne Heights Award and the Elmira Key Award.

Hayley plans on attending a four year University while majoring in Biochemistry. She has been accepted to St. Lawrence University, Le Moyne, SUNY Plattsburgh, SUNY Oswego, and the University of Rochester.



**Salutatorian is Miss Margaret Peo** – Margaret is the daughter of Mr. Michael and Mrs. Shelia Peo of Ogdensburg, NY. With a grade point average of 96.49, Margaret is ranked second in her senior class of 83 students; a position she has held throughout her high school career. Margaret will graduate with an Advanced Regents with Honors diploma and an annotation that denotes Mastery in Mathematics and Science in June 2017. She has been invited to attend our Academic Banquet throughout her high school career which qualifies her to be seated at the head table this year. Margaret was nominated and is expected to receive a NYS Academic Excellence Scholarship as well.

Over the years, Margaret has represented Ogdensburg Free Academy on our girls Lacrosse, Basketball, Soccer, and Winter Track Teams. She has been an Academic All-Northern for the past three years. Margaret is involved in several school and community activities such as, Whiz Quiz, Student Council, National Honor Society, Site-Based student representative, Alter Server, and Church Lector. Margaret is a talented musician she has performed with the OFA Marching Band and Jazz Band for the past four years.

Margaret's team ranked 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Pi Mu Epsilon contest held by St. Lawrence University. She attended the Clarkson University enrichment program her junior year. Margaret has been awarded the following scholarships; Bausch and Lomb Scholarship, Evergreen STEM Scholarship, and the Clarkson Leadership Award.

Margaret plans on majoring in Biology at a four year university. She has been accepted to University of Rochester, Le Moyne, St. Lawrence University, and Clarkson. Her future plans are to pursue a career in the medical field as a Gastroenterologist.