

The Above and Beyond 'Thunder Clap'
Recognition for the Week of March 11th:

Hanna Giacomino



Hometown Pride:

"We are a small close-knit community with lots of love and support to everyone in the area. When something happens to someone, the community is there to pull that person or family up and support them through what happened. The community is also there for everyone's highs as well. When somebody or a team wins, we all win. We celebrate everything as a whole, and go through all the lows together as well."

Bleacher Report (activities):

Sports: Volleyball and Basketball

Clubs: Above and Beyond, NHS, and FBLA

Thunder Role:

"I think older kids are always told to watch what they do and say because younger kids are watching, and we tend to not always believe it. The thing is, those younger kids, and not even just kids, but entire communities of people are watching you. Being a good role model is not only about presenting yourself in a good way, but representing your school, your clubs, and your community in a good way."

Topic Thunder:

"Things like alcohol, drugs, and tobacco destroy your life. There's really no way to put that nicely. It ruins the relationships with everyone around you, it kills you internally, it can put you in jail or prison, it makes people think badly about you, and there is absolutely no positive to doing any of these things. Then to be in a club or sport and do them is even worse because you are the role model of the school. Kids in clubs and sports are the face of the school; the kids that everyone watches. Not only does it look bad, but it completely ruins your ability to perform in athletics. Athletes and club members are not the only people who should stay away from these things, everyone should stay away from them."

Scouting Report (quotes from teachers):

"Hanna is a good example of how you can work to accomplish what you want your life to be like. At any time, you are able to adjust your goals to fit your needs. Hanna has not only joined clubs but contributed to them on a regular basis. She has proven she deserves her accolades and has really set herself up for a successful future. I am proud of what Hanna has made her high school career into." – Mrs. Simpson

Fan Deck (quotes from peers):

"Hanna is funny."

"Hanna is my first choice because no matter the event she is always there. She excels in every sport she's in and is setting a great example for her sister and all other high schoolers."

"Hanna has grown so much as an individual. She is super outgoing and insanely smart while also being funny."

"When I think of Hanna Giacomino, I think of a stereotypical role model that you'd think of when you're in middle school or elementary school which is still a good thing. She's amazing at sports and in that area of school, I think everyone can look up to her confidence and drive to do good."

Hometown Hero:

"Kevin Rongstad is my hometown hero. Kevin shows up for his community constantly, and more importantly, his family. Kevin will drop everything he has on his plate to help out somebody else. Kevin has put others before himself time and time again. He has donated his time and things to the community over and over again, for example, the fireworks at the merchant's field for the 4th of July. He puts hours and hours of work into the community every year, so that's why I am choosing to recognize Kevin as my hometown hero."