

## **DIVISION 1 | 2019 IJEA Newspaper & Digital News Contest Results | Enrollment 749 and below**

### **CORE CATEGORIES | Open to all publications — print, digital and hybrid**

#### **News**

##### [Best News Story](#)

1st: Sydney Moore, Meridian HS

2nd: Mira Costello & Jacob Posner, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

3rd: Mac Turner & Anna Cotter, Herscher HS

##### [Best In-Depth News Story](#)

1st: Emma Trone & Jacob Posner, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

2nd: Jacob Posner, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

3rd: Hannah Reichert, Meridian HS

HM: Abagayle Jones, Brian Reed & Lydia Wiggins, Meridian HS

#### **Features**

##### [Best Feature Story](#)

1st: Sonny Lee, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

2nd: Caledonia Abbey, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

3rd: Elle Bahnke, Harrisburg HS

HM: DJ McInturff, Herrin HS

HM: Abagayle Jones & Hannah Reichert, Meridian HS

##### [Best Personality Profile](#)

1st: Jack Gulley, Harrisburg HS

2nd: Samira Glaeser-Khan, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

3rd: Nikhil Patel, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

#### **Sports**

##### [Best Sports News Story](#)

1st: Kyle Farmer, Meridian HS

2nd: Haley Sullivan, Harrisburg HS

3rd: Abigail Slimmon, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

HM: Damien Ponce, Phoenix Military Academy

##### [Best Sports Feature Story](#)

1st: Mira Costello, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

2nd: Madison McClusky, Harrisburg HS

3rd: Emma Trone, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

HM: Sydney Moore, Meridian HS

##### [Best Sports Commentary](#)

1st: Christian Gluth, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

2nd: Emma Trone, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

3rd: Savannah Hubbs, Harrisburg HS

#### **Opinion**

##### [Best Staff Editorial](#)

1st: Mira Costello, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

2nd: Emma Trone, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

3rd: Kole Phelps, Harrisburg HS

HM: Jack Gulley, Harrisburg HS

HM: Meridian Daily Staff, Meridian HS (Make America Divided Again)

##### [Best Serious Commentary](#)

1st: Emma Trone, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

2nd: Mira Costello, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

3rd: Kole Phelps, Harrisburg HS

HM: Kole Phelps, Harrisburg HS (Health Care)

## **DIVISION 1 — continued**

### [Best Humorous Commentary](#)

1st: Bradley Frailey, Harrisburg HS (Trick or Treat)  
2nd: Max Leiser & Reece Tobeck, Herscher HS (Holiday Season)  
3rd: Max Leiser & Reece Tobeck, Herscher HS (Thanksgiving)  
HM: Bradley Frailey, Harrisburg HS (Feeling Guilty)

### [Best Review](#)

1st: Priyanka Shrijay, University of Chicago Laboratory School HS  
2nd: Iván Beck, University of Chicago Laboratory School HS  
3rd: Jack Gulley, Harrisburg HS

## **Photos**

### [Best News or Feature Photo](#)

1st: Corryn Brock, Meridian HS  
2nd: Delaney Daly & Morgan Craver, Herscher HS  
3rd: Lily Vag-Urminsky, University of Chicago Laboratory HS  
HM: Haley Sullivan, Harrisburg HS

### [Best Sports Photo](#)

1st: Odysseas Nikas, University of Chicago Laboratory HS  
2nd: Jack Gulley, Harrisburg HS  
3rd: Destiny Dotson, Phoenix Military Academy  
HM: Sydney Moore, Meridian HS  
HM: Michelle Husain, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

## **Art & Graphics**

### [Best Editorial Cartoon](#)

1st: Brian Reed, Meridian HS (Mother Nature)  
2nd: Risa Cohen, University of Chicago Laboratory HS  
3rd: Selina Wang, Harrisburg HS (No Place Like Home)  
HM: Brian Reed, Meridian HS (MAGA)

### [Best Illustration](#)

1st: Bradley Frailey, Harrisburg HS (Vaping)  
2nd: Risa Cohen, University of Chicago Laboratory HS  
3rd: Bradley Frailey, Harrisburg HS (Homecoming)

### [Best Infographic](#)

1st: Lydia Wiggins, Meridian HS  
2nd: Bradley Frailey, Harrisburg HS  
3rd: Elle Behnke, Harrisburg HS  
HM: Jacob Posner & Priyanka Shrijay, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

## **Miscellaneous**

### [Best Alternative Storytelling](#)

1st: Iván Beck, University of Chicago Laboratory HS  
2nd: Ella Beiser & Grace Zhang, University of Chicago Laboratory HS  
3rd: Kaylee Robinson, Harrisburg HS  
HM: Bradley Frailey, Harrisburg HS

### [Best Use of Social Media](#)

1st: Abigail Slimmon, University of Chicago Laboratory HS  
2nd: Amber Miller, Meridian HS (Facebook)  
3rd: Amber Miller, Meridian HS (Twitter)

## **DIVISION 1 — continued**

### [Best Headline](#)

1st: Hannah Reichert, Meridian HS  
2nd: Kole Phelps, Harrisburg HS  
3rd: Jacob Posner, University of Chicago Laboratory HS  
HM: Keilyn Torres, Phoenix Military Academy

### [Best Advertisement](#)

1st: Max Garfinkel, University of Chicago Laboratory HS  
2nd: Kole Phelps, Harrisburg HS  
3rd: Tyler Ward & Seth Barnes, Meridian HS  
HM: Brian Reed & Hannah Reichert, Meridian HS

## **PRINT CATEGORIES | Open to print-only publications and print versions of hybrid publications**

### [Best Single-Page Story Package](#)

1st: Emma Trone, Grace Zhang, Priyanka Shrijay, Max Garfinkel & Ace Zhang, U of Chicago Lab HS  
2nd: Priyanka Shrijay, Grace Zhang, Jacob Posner, Leland Culver, Berk Oto & Risa Cohen, U of Chicago Lab HS  
3rd: Nolan Davidson, Hayley Sullivan, Bradley Frailey & Jack Gulley, Harrisburg HS

### [Best Centerspread Story Package](#)

1st: Jacob Posner, Priyanka Shrijay, Audrey Matzke, Iván Beck & Ace Zhang, U of Chicago Lab HS  
2nd: Emma Trone, Amanda Cassel, Mira Costello, Iván Beck & Katerina Lopez, U of Chicago Lab HS  
3rd: Bradley Frailey, Nolan Davidson, Kaylee Robinson & Savannah Hubbs, Harrisburg HS

### [Best Photo Story](#)

1st: Nolan Davidson, Harrisburg HS (Deer Day)  
2nd: Nolan Davidson, Harrisburg HS (Lab)  
3rd: Delaney Daly & Morgan Craver, Herscher HS

### [Best Front-Page Design](#)

1st: Jack Gulley, Harrisburg HS (November)  
2nd: Jack Gulley, Harrisburg HS (September)  
3rd: Jacob Posner, University of Chicago Lab HS  
HM: Emma Trone, University of Chicago Lab HS  
HM: Leighann Allisson, Herscher HS (October)

### [Best Overall Design](#)

1st: U-High Midway Staff, University of Chicago Laboratory HS (Jan. 25, 2019)  
2nd: U-High Midway Staff, University of Chicago Laboratory HS (Feb. 14, 2019)  
3rd: Purple Clarion Staff, Harrisburg HS (Oct. 30, 2018)

## **DIGITAL CATEGORIES | Open to digital-only publications and online versions of hybrid publications**

### [Best Multimedia Story Package](#)

1st: Tyler Ward, Seth Barnes & Candi Duncan, Meridian HS  
2nd: Jacob Posner, Max Garfinkel & Nicholas Merchant, University of Chicago Laboratory HS  
3rd: Lydia Wiggins, Brian Reed & Abagayle Jones, Meridian HS

### [Best Video Story](#)

1st: Grace Zhang, University of Chicago Laboratory HS  
2nd: Emma Trone, University of Chicago Laboratory HS  
3rd: Mikayla Dahlkamp, Shyanne Piatt, Meridian HS  
HM: Karrigan True & Amber Miller, Meridian HS

### [Best Audio Podcast](#)

1st: Kyle Farmer, Meridian HS  
2nd: Hannah Reichert, Meridian HS

## **DIVISION 1 — continued**

### [Best Blogger](#)

1st: Karrigan True, Meridian HS

### [Best Website](#)

1st: Jacob Posner, Priyanka Shrijay, Emma Trone & Nikhil Patel, University of Chicago Laboratory HS

2nd: Hannah Reichert, Tyler Ward & Kyle Farmer, Meridian HS

3rd: DJ McInturff, Herrin HS

HM: Luciano Alvarez, Aloisius Arellano, Keilyn Torres, Briana Quezada, & Yesenia Camacho, Phoenix Military Academy

## **OVERALL RESULTS DIVISION 1**

### **Best Print Publication**

1st: Harrisburg HS

2nd: Herscher HS

### **Best Digital Publication**

1st: Meridian HS

2nd: Phoenix Military Academy

3rd: Herrin HS

### **Best Hybrid Publication**

1st: University of Chicago Laboratory HS

### **Best Overall Publication**

1st: University of Chicago Laboratory HS

2nd: Harrisburg HS

3rd: Meridian HS

## DIVISION 2 | 2019 IJEA Newspaper & Digital News Contest Results | Enrollment 750 to 1,339

### CORE CATEGORIES | Open to all publications — print, digital and hybrid

#### News

##### [Best News Story](#)

1st: Richies Tiv & Abril Salinas, Kaneland HS

2nd: Kayla Cruz, Pritzker College Prep HS

3rd: Kate Hannon, Saint Viator HS

HM: Jacob Booten, Kaneland HS

##### [Best In-Depth News Story](#)

1st: Will Foster, Walter Payton College Prep HS (Allegations)

2nd: Will Foster, Walter Payton College Prep HS (Payton Teachers)

3rd: Samantha Callaghan & Abril Salinas, Kaneland HS

HM: Alex Bahena & Jazlyn Jimenez, Pritzker College Prep HS

#### Features

##### [Best Feature Story](#)

1st: Magda Saliba, Walter Payton College Prep HS

2nd: Jennifer Arroyo, Pritzker College Prep HS

3rd: Augustus Pomerleau, Walter Payton College Prep HS

HM: Ben Durbala, Kaneland HS

HM: Daniel Sloan, Taylorville HS

HM: Casey Schanks, Kaneland HS

##### [Best Personality Profile](#)

1st: Julia Moore, Walter Payton College Prep HS

2nd: Elyse Clayton, Taylorville HS

3rd: Kate Hannon, Saint Viator HS

HM: Mimi Hamada, Walter Payton College Prep HS

#### Sports

##### [Best Sports News Story](#)

1st: Daniel Sloan, Taylorville HS

2nd: Brendan Huerta, Walter Payton College Prep HS

3rd: Patrick Schumacher, Saint Viator HS

##### [Best Sports Feature Story](#)

1st: Ashlyn Klecka, Kaneland HS

2nd: Ruben Sobernaris, Apryll Arroyo & Abril Pereznegron, Pritzker College Prep HS

3rd: Dylan Calabrese, Kaneland HS

HM: Sean Bosshart, Saint Viator HS

##### [Best Sports Commentary](#)

1st: Emily Fitch, Elmwood Park HS

2nd: Kayla Diprizio, Elmwood Park HS

3rd: Paola Diaz, Pritzker College Prep HS

#### Opinion

##### [Best Staff Editorial](#)

1st: Mary Sherman, Richwoods HS

2nd: Priscila Bautista & Nadia Segura, Pritzker College Prep HS

3rd: Lily Mura, Richwoods HS

HM: Katharyn Mattern, Kaneland HS

HM: TJ Boland, Walter Payton College Prep HS

## **DIVISION 2 — continued**

### [Best Serious Commentary](#)

1st: Ashley Manzo, Kaneland HS  
2nd: Ben Lohman & Coleman McJessey, Walter Payton College Prep HS  
3rd: Ashley Edwards, Kaneland HS  
HM: Johnny Diaz, Elmwood Park HS  
HM: Dania Herrera, Pritzker College Prep HS  
HM: Paul Leininger, Saint Viator HS

### [Best Humorous Commentary](#)

1st: Emmalyn Myers, Taylorville HS  
2nd: Styles Avant-Pinkston, Pritzker College Prep HS (Boy Band)  
3rd: Pilar Kelly & Lindsay Holzman, Walter Payton College Prep HS  
HM: Styles Avant-Pinkston, Pritzker College Prep HS (Jag Cafe)  
HM: Morgan Hogarth, Taylorville HS

### [Best Review](#)

1st: Alexandra Zaragoza, Walter Payton College Prep HS  
2nd: Julia Benkendorf, Saint Viator HS  
3rd: Morgan Hogarth, Taylorville HS  
HM: Roberto Flores, Richwoods HS

## **Photos**

### [Best News or Feature Photo](#)

1st: Sydney Yonk, Taylorville HS  
2nd: Veronica Gibson, Walter Payton College Prep HS (Homecoming Queen & King)  
3rd: Conor Brennan, Kaneland HS  
HM: Paige Laskiewicz, Saint Viator HS

### [Best Sports Photo](#)

1st: Elyse Clayton, Taylorville HS  
2nd: Kate Capra, Saint Viator HS  
3rd: Hannah Klimas, Saint Viator HS  
HM: Daniel Sloan, Taylorville HS

## **Art & Graphics**

### [Best Editorial Cartoon](#)

1st: Razan Naffakh, Richwoods HS  
2nd: Emmalyn Myers, Taylorville HS  
3rd: Marisa Sosa, Kaneland HS  
HM: Brenna Drabik, Saint Viator HS

### [Best Illustration](#)

1st: Sarah McDermott, Saint Viator HS  
2nd: Nina Piazza, Kaneland HS  
3rd: Alessandra Torres, Walter Payton College Prep HS  
HM: Paola Diaz, Pritzker College Prep HS

### [Best Infographic](#)

1st: Hayley Owens, Walter Payton College Prep HS  
2nd: Gregorio Chavez, Miguel Cordero, Osvaldo Medina & Emanuel Mendoza, Pritzker College Prep HS

## **Miscellaneous**

### [Best Alternative Storytelling](#)

1st: Mairead Gergeni, Walter Payton College Prep HS  
2nd: Yexenia Famera, Pritzker College Prep HS  
3rd: Antonae Glenn & Max Mogilner, Walter Payton College Prep HS  
HM: Elyse Clayton, Taylorville HS

## **DIVISION 2 — continued**

### [Best Use of Social Media](#)

- 1st: TJ Boland, Walter Payton College Prep HS
- 2nd: Carina Lopez, Pritzker College Prep HS (Twitter)
- 3rd: Carina Lopez, Pritzker College Prep HS (Facebook)

### [Best Headline](#)

- 1st: Lily Mura, Richwoods HS
- 2nd: Andrew Herkelman, Richwoods HS
- 3rd: Allison Bosshart, Grace Chang, Saint Viator HS
- HM: TJ Boland, Walter Payton College Prep HS (Doctor Who)

### [Best Advertisement](#)

- 1st: Abril Salinas, Kaneland HS

## **PRINT CATEGORIES | Open to print-only publications and print versions of hybrid publications**

### [Best Single-Page Story Package](#)

None

### [Best Centerspread Story Package](#)

- 1st: Elyse Clayton & Morgan Hogarth, Taylorville HS
- 2nd: Allison Bosshart & Grace Chang, Saint Viator HS
- 3rd: Ashley Manzo, Samantha Callaghan & Abril Salinas, Kaneland HS
- HM: Jazlyn Jimenez, Pritzker College Prep HS

### [Best Photo Story](#)

- 1st: Bailey Prichard, Kaneland HS
- 2nd: Dylan Calabrese, Kaneland HS
- 3rd: Ahana Gupta, Walter Payton College Prep HS

### [Best Front-Page Design](#)

- 1st: Richies Tiv, Kaneland HS
- 2nd: Ashley Manzo, Kaneland HS
- 3rd: Mary Sherman, Richwoods HS
- HM: Ashlee Vocks, Taylorville HS
- HM: Abril Pereznegron, Pritzker College Prep HS

### [Best Overall Design](#)

- 1st: Ashlee Vocks, Taylorville HS (Feb. 28, 2019)
- 2nd: Richies Tiv, Madeline Hockey, Abril Salinas, Gianna Provenzano, Jacob Booten, Samantha Callaghan, Ashley Manzo, Casey Schanks, Bailey Prichard & Ben Durbala, Kaneland HS
- 3rd: Adamaris Reyes, Pritzker College Prep HS
- HM: Abril Pereznegron, Pritzker College Prep HS

## **DIGITAL CATEGORIES | Open to digital-only publications and online versions of hybrid publications**

### [Best Multimedia Story Package](#)

- 1st: Eric Garfias, Pritzker College Prep HS
- 2nd: Koki James & Joey Pinkert, Walter Payton College Prep HS

### [Best Video Story](#)

- 1st: Lucy Weaver, Houda Hirich, Graciella Abbey & Abigayle Johnson, Walter Payton College Prep HS
- 2nd: Marlene Ocampo, Esteven Estrada & Atziri Tapia, Pritzker College Prep HS
- 3rd: Monica Delgado, Jose Herrera & Yaneet Rodriguez, Pritzker College Prep HS
- HM: Harper Robbins, Sam Essex & Sophia Aguilar, Walter Payton College Prep HS

### [Best Audio Podcast](#)

- 1st: Tara Shinde & Bianca Varlesi, Walter Payton HS

### [Best Blogger](#)

- 1st: Abril Salinas, Kaneland HS

## **DIVISION 2 — continued**

### [Best Website](#)

1st: Diana Gomez, Atziri Tapia & Carina Lopez, Pritzker College Prep HS

2nd: Katharyn Mattern & Priscilla Purnell, Kaneland HS

3rd: TJ Boland, Walter Payton College Prep HS

## **OVERALL RESULTS DIVISION 2**

### **Best Print Publication**

1st: Taylorville HS

2nd: Richwoods HS

### **Best Hybrid Publication**

1st: Walter Payton College Prep HS

2nd: Kaneland HS

3rd: Pritzker College Prep HS

HM: Saint Viator HS

### **Best Overall Publication**

1st: Walter Payton College Prep HS

2nd: Kaneland HS

3rd: Pritzker College Prep HS



## **DIVISION 3 | 2019 IJEA Newspaper & Digital News Contest Results | Enrollment 1,340 to 2,184**

### **CORE CATEGORIES | Open to all publications — print, digital and hybrid**

#### **News**

##### [Best News Story](#)

1st: Evie Snoeyink, Normal Community HS  
2nd: Elizabeth Link, Washington Community HS  
3rd: Blanca Estrada, Prospect HS  
HM: Madison Parola, Mundelein HS  
HM: Anagha Aria, Jessica Dougall, Chris Gaines, Kim Halm & Abby Kimball, Normal Community HS

##### [Best In-Depth News Story](#)

1st: Ayse Eldes, Prospect HS  
2nd: Madison Parola, Mundelein HS  
3rd: Ryan Kupperman, Prospect HS  
HM: MacKenzie Stewart, Mundelein HS

#### **Features**

##### [Best Feature Story](#)

1st: Danny Ryerson, Prospect HS  
2nd: Megan McDaniel, Washington Community HS  
3rd: Ayse Eldes, Prospect HS  
HM: Jaden Gill, Mundelein HS  
HM: Georgia Lattas, Marist HS (Blue Marists)  
HM: Georgia Lattas, Marist HS (School Shooting)

##### [Best Personality Profile](#)

1st: Evie Snoeyink, Normal Community HS  
2nd: Ayse Eldes, Prospect HS  
3rd: Bry Bray, Washington Community HS  
HM: Sarah Parduhn, Mundelein HS  
HM: Gina Musso, Marist HS

#### **Sports**

##### [Best Sports News Story](#)

1st: Anthony Santangelo, Prospect HS (Wrestling)  
2nd: Elijah Ikezoe-Jones, Marist HS  
3rd: Cecelia Gibbons, Marist HS  
HM: Tyler Yakimsky, Mundelein HS

##### [Best Sports Feature Story](#)

1st: Elizabeth Link, Washington Community HS  
2nd: Rick Lytle, Prospect HS  
3rd: Connor Graver, Prospect HS  
HM: Carolyn Yusa, Marist HS

##### [Best Sports Commentary](#)

1st: Will Dowell, Normal Community HS  
2nd: Connor Graver, Prospect HS  
3rd: Rick Lytle, Prospect HS  
HM: Emily Wenger, Washington Community HS

#### **Opinion**

##### [Best Staff Editorial](#)

1st: Ayse Eldes & Amanda Stickels, Prospect HS (7:30 a.m.)  
2nd: Ayse Eldes & Amanda Stickels, Prospect HS (Early AP)  
3rd: Ellen Stojak, Grayslake North HS (School Safety)  
HM: Mustang Editorial Board, Mundelein HS (Press Trumps)

## **DIVISION 3 — continued**

### [Best Serious Commentary](#)

1st: Emma Brown, Marist HS  
2nd: Connor Graver, Prospect HS  
3rd: MacKenzie Stewart, Mundelein HS  
HM: Nadia Hernandez, Grayslake North HS (#MeToo)  
HM: Editorial Staff, Washington Community HS

### [Best Humorous Commentary](#)

1st: Elizabeth Delehanty, Marist HS (Halloween)  
2nd: Amanda Stickels, Prospect HS  
3rd: Hannah Stanley, Mundelein HS  
HM: Elizabeth Delehanty, Marist HS (An Issue)

### [Best Review](#)

1st: Ian Doyle, Grayslake North HS  
2nd: Kylie Carrier, Mundelein HS  
3rd: Elizabeth Keller, Washington Community HS

## **Photos**

### [Best News or Feature Photo](#)

1st: Nadia Hernandez, Grayslake North HS  
2nd: Elizabeth Link, Washington Community HS  
3rd: Elly Smith, Washington Community HS  
HM: Lindsay Nootbaar, Mundelein HS

### [Best Sports Photo](#)

1st: David Bernauer, Mundelein HS  
2nd: Elizabeth Link, Washington Community HS  
3rd: Erik Velazquez, Prospect HS  
HM: Alyssa Lang, Marist High HS

## **Art & Graphics**

### [Best Editorial Cartoon](#)

1st: Mara Nicolaie, Prospect HS (Journalist Remembered)  
2nd: John Wise, Washington Community HS  
3rd: Ryan Griffin, Marist HS (Valentine's Day)  
HM: Tripp Lersch, Washington Community HS

### [Best Illustration](#)

1st: Mara Nicolaie, Prospect HS  
2nd: Tripp Lersch, Washington Community HS (Hype Clothing)  
3rd: Hannah Stanley, Mundelein HS (Holiday Traditions)  
HM: Kylie Klug, Marist HS

### [Best Infographic](#)

1st: Ayse Eldes, Prospect HS  
2nd: Tripp Lersch, Washington Community HS (Commendable School)  
3rd: Tripp Lersch, Washington Community HS (Temperatures)  
HM: Danny Ryerson & Mara Nicolaie, Prospect HS

## **Miscellaneous**

### [Best Alternative Storytelling](#)

1st: Connor Graver, Anthony Santangelo & Rick Lytle, Prospect HS  
2nd: Amanda Stickels & Erik Velazquez, Prospect HS  
3rd: David Bernauer, Mundelein HS  
HM: Max Mauschaugh & Tripp Lersch, Washington Community HS  
HM: Nadia Hernandez & Jasmine Monda, Grayslake North HS

## **DIVISION 3 — continued**

### [Best Use of Social Media](#)

1st: Nadia Hernandez, Grayslake North HS

### [Best Headline](#)

1st: Elizabeth Link, Washington Community HS

2nd: Jenna Koch, Grace Givan & Danny Ryerson, Prospect HS

3rd: Kylie Carrier, Mundelein HS

HM: Erik Velazquez, Prospect HS

### [Best Advertisement](#)

1st: Lindsay Nootbaar, Mundelein HS

2nd: Shalynn Billings, Grayslake North HS

## **PRINT CATEGORIES | Open to print-only publications and print versions of hybrid publications**

### [Best Single-Page Story Package](#)

1st: Amanda Stickels & Erik Velazquez, Prospect HS

2nd: Connor Graver, Anthony Santangelo & Rick Lytle, Prospect HS

3rd: Madison Neuwald, Mundelein HS

### [Best Centerspread Story Package](#)

1st: Danny Ryerson, Ryan Kupperman, Connor Graver & Mara Nicolaie, Prospect HS

2nd: The Advocate Staff, Washington Community HS

3rd: Erin McBriarty, Grayslake North HS

HM: Jenna Koch, Kenzie Folkers, Rick Lytle, Anthony Santangelo, Connor Graver & Grace Baldino, Prospect HS

### [Best Photo Story](#)

1st: Paula Johnson, Washington Community HS

2nd: Amanda Stickels & Erik Velazquez, Prospect HS

3rd: Kim Halm, Normal Community HS

HM: Nadia Hernandez, Grayslake North HS

HM: Kylie Carrier, Mundelein HS

### [Best Front-Page Design](#)

1st: Ayse Eldes, Prospect HS

2nd: Ellen Stojak, Grayslake North HS

3rd: Ryan Kupperman & Mara Nicolaie, Prospect HS

HM: Staff, Marist HS (October)

HM: Elizabeth Link & Trenton Butler, Washington Community HS

HM: Tyler Yakimisky, Mundelein HS

### [Best Overall Design](#)

1st: Ayse Eldes, Amanda Stickels & Connor Graver, Prospect HS (Nov. 2, 2018)

2nd: Elizabeth Link, Washington Community HS

3rd: Mustang Editors, Mundelein HS (August-September 2018)

HM: Ellen Stojak, Gracie Schultz, Rhiannon Swanson, Ian Doyle, Isaiah McIntyre, Claire Armstrong, Nadia Hernandez, Emily Huculak & Courtney Mettler, Grayslake North HS (February)

## **DIGITAL CATEGORIES | Open to digital-only publications and online versions of hybrid publications**

### [Best Multimedia Story Package](#)

None

### [Best Video Story](#)

1st: Rowdy Kram, Grayslake North HS

2nd: Kate Hyland, Prospect HS

3rd: Ryan Barich & Drew Babin-Moreno, Prospect HS

### **DIVISION 3 — continued**

#### Best Audio Podcast

1st: Kate Hyland, Prospect HS  
2nd: Ian Doyle, Grayslake North HS  
3rd: Shalynn Billings, Grayslake North HS

#### Best Blogger

None

#### Best Website

1st: Kate Hyland & Wyatt Dojutrek, Prospect HS  
2nd: Evie Snoeyink, Reid Watkins, Will Dowell & Shae Simmons, Normal Community HS  
3rd: Mustang Editors, Mundelein HS  
HM: Ellen Stojak, Gracie Schultz, Ian Doyle, Isaiah McIntyre, Claire Armstrong, Nadia Hernandez, Rhiannon Swanson, Emily Huculak & Courtney Mettler, Grayslake North HS

### **OVERALL RESULTS DIVISION 3**

#### **Best Print Publication**

1st: Washington Community HS  
2nd: Marist HS

#### **Best Hybrid Publication**

1st: Prospect HS  
2nd: Mundelein HS  
3rd: Grayslake North HS  
HM: Normal Community HS

#### **Best Overall Publication**

1st: Prospect HS  
2nd: Washington Community HS  
3rd: Mundelein HS

## **DIVISION 4 | 2019 IJEA Newspaper & Digital News Contest Results | Enrollment 2,185 to 3,059**

### **CORE CATEGORIES | Open to all publications — print, digital and hybrid**

#### **News**

##### [Best News Story](#)

- 1st: Matt Troher, Downers Grove North HS
- 2nd: Tatum Mitchell & Emmanuelle Copeland, Downers Grove South HS
- 3rd: Jane Spencer, Palatine HS

##### [Best In-Depth News Story](#)

- 1st: Emmanuelle Copeland, Colin Dodd, Tatum Mitchell, Alex Miranda & Ina Barashka, Downers Grove South HS
- 2nd: Ellie Cawthorne, Downers Grove North HS
- 3rd: Ariel Oh, Trevor Owcarz, Vianney Mendoza, Rhaya Truman, Emmanuelle Copeland & Srushti Desai, Downers Grove South HS
- HM: Vivian Zhao, Naperville Central HS
- HM: Sarah Rogoz & Sam Bull, Downers Grove North HS

#### **Features**

##### [Best Feature Story](#)

- 1st: Molly Farrar & Jessica Fosse, Edwardsville HS
- 2nd: Alana Cervera & Noelle Schwarz, Naperville Central HS
- 3rd: Rhaya Truman, Downers Grove South HS
- HM: Ellie Cawthorne, Downers Grove North HS
- HM: Sam Weinheimer, Downers Grove North HS

##### [Best Personality Profile](#)

- 1st: Andrea Davenport, Downers Grove South HS (Brooks Comes to Mustang Country)
- 2nd: Jaydi Swanson, Edwardsville HS
- 3rd: Ellie Cawthorne, Downers Grove North HS

#### **Sports**

##### [Best Sports News Story](#)

- 1st: Trenton Cintron & Katherine Gross, Downers Grove North HS
- 2nd: Natalia Ruiz, Downers Grove South HS
- 3rd: Abby Rohe, Naperville Central HS
- HM: Truman Sanchez, Palatine HS

##### [Best Sports Feature Story](#)

- 1st: Sarah Barber, Downers Grove South HS (Volleyball)
- 2nd: Sarah Barber, Downers Grove South HS (Ice Skating)
- 3rd: Emma Langer, Palatine HS
- HM: Trenton Cintron, Downers Grove North HS

##### [Best Sports Commentary](#)

- 1st: Jaydi Swanson, Edwardsville HS
- 2nd: Alana Cervera, Naperville Central HS
- 3rd: Peter Blatchford, Glenbard West HS
- HM: Sarah Barber, Downers Grove South HS
- HM: Sarah Rogoz, Downers Grove North HS

#### **Opinion**

##### [Best Staff Editorial](#)

- 1st: Central Times Staff, Naperville Central HS
- 2nd: Alex Miranda, Downers Grove South HS (Flexible Learning Days)
- 3rd: Sarah Rogoz, Downers Grove North HS
- HM: Katherine Gross, Downers Grove North HS

## **DIVISION 4 — continued**

### [Best Serious Commentary](#)

1st: Rhaya Truman, Downers Grove South HS  
2nd: Anna Kutz, Edwardsville HS  
3rd: Yoo Young Chun, Naperville Central HS  
HM: Audrey Dwyer, Downers Grove North HS  
HM: Alex Miranda, Downers Grove South HS  
HM: Caroline Philbin, Palatine HS

### [Best Humorous Commentary](#)

1st: Matt Troher, Downers Grove North HS  
2nd: Jacob Casella, Downers Grove South HS (Holiday Revelations)  
3rd: Katherine Gross, Downers Grove North HS  
HM: Jacob Casella, Downers Grove South HS (Email Etiquette)

### [Best Review](#)

1st: Jaydi Swanson, Edwardsville HS  
2nd: Logan Maramba, Downers Grove North HS  
3rd: PJ Knapke, Glenbard West HS  
HM: Melissa Weidner, Downers Grove South HS

## **Photos**

### [Best News or Feature Photo](#)

1st: Kacper Drwenski, Palatine HS  
2nd: Kelly Jankowski, Downers Grove South HS  
3rd: Joann Diep, Palatine HS

### [Best Sports Photo](#)

1st: William Hohe, Glenbard West HS  
2nd: Annie Cleaver, Glenbard West HS  
3rd: Sam Wichhart, Naperville Central HS  
HM: Moises Dominguez, Downers Grove North HS

## **Art & Graphics**

### [Best Editorial Cartoon](#)

1st: Yoo Young Chun, Naperville Central HS  
2nd: Emmanuelle Copeland, Downers Grove South HS (Pull Stations)  
3rd: Kia Smidt, Edwardsville HS  
HM: Mia Knutson, Downers Grove North HS

### [Best Illustration](#)

1st: Emmanuelle Copeland, Downers Grove South HS (Fundamentals of Fighting)  
2nd: Yoo Young Chun, Naperville Central HS  
3rd: Mia Knutson, Downers Grove North HS

### [Best Infographic](#)

1st: Matt Troher, Downers Grove North HS  
2nd: Srushti Desai, Downers Grove South HS  
3rd: Laaiba Mahmood, Naperville Central HS  
HM: David Godsey, Palatine HS

## **Miscellaneous**

### [Best Alternative Storytelling](#)

1st: William Hohe, Julia Lane & Sean Swikle, Glenbard West HS  
2nd: Sam Wichhart, Naperville Central HS  
3rd: Kelly Jankowski, Ariel Oh & Phillip Pakowski, Downers Grove South HS  
HM: Jane Spencer, Palatine HS  
HM: Phillip Pakowski, Downers Grove South HS

## **DIVISION 4 — continued**

### [Best Use of Social Media](#)

1st: Central Times Staff, Naperville Central HS  
2nd: Jacob Casella, Downers Grove South HS  
3rd: Joann Diep, Palatine HS

### [Best Headline](#)

1st: Ellie Cawthorne, Downers Grove North HS  
2nd: Emmanuelle Copeland, Downers Grove South HS  
3rd: Ryan Stewart, Edwardsville HS  
HM: Kacper Drwenski, Palatine HS

### [Best Advertisement](#)

1st: Molly Farrar & Jessica Fosse, Edwardsville HS

## **PRINT CATEGORIES | Open to print-only publications and print versions of hybrid publications**

### [Best Single-Page Story Package](#)

None

### [Best Centerspread Story Package](#)

1st: Trevor Owcarz, Ariel Oh, Emmanuelle Copeland, Srushti Desai, Rhaya Truman & Vianney Mendoza, Downers Grove South HS  
2nd: Yoo Young Chun, Claire Paschke & Laaiba Mahmood, Naperville Central HS  
3rd: Ellie Cawthorne, Downers Grove North HS  
HM: Emmanuelle Copeland, Ina Barashka, Alex Miranda, Colin Dodd & Tatum Mitchell, Downers Grove South HS

### [Best Photo Story](#)

1st: Moises Dominguez, Downers Grove North HS  
2nd: Srushti Desai & Kelly Jankowski, Downers Grove South HS

### [Best Front-Page Design](#)

1st: Tatum Mitchell, Downers Grove South (Jan. 25, 2019)  
2nd: Sarah Rogoz, Downers Grove North HS  
3rd: Mary Szymanski, Naperville Central HS  
HM: Tatum Mitchell, Downers Grove South HS (Oct. 5, 2018)

### [Best Overall Design](#)

1st: Josh Perry & Staff, Edwardsville HS  
2nd: Josh Perry, Sam Lance & Staff, Edwardsville HS  
3rd: Rachel Ley, Emmanuelle Copeland, Colin Dodd, Sam Perkins, Tatum Mitchell, Phillip Pakowski, Andrea Davenport & Srushti Desai, Downers Grove South HS (Jan. 25, 2019)

## **DIGITAL CATEGORIES | Open to digital-only publications and online versions of hybrid publications**

### [Best Multimedia Story Package](#)

1st: Katherine Gross & Ellie Cawthorne, Downers Grove North HS  
2nd: Ariel Oh & Kelly Jankowski, Downers Grove South HS  
3rd: Emma Langer & Joann Diep, Palatine HS

### [Best Video Story](#)

1st: Kacper Drwenski, Palatine HS  
2nd: Evan Limberg & Lucas Bold, Palatine HS  
3rd: Connor Hryhorysak, Charlie Scott, Dryver Larrison & Ethan Weber, Glenbard West HS  
HM: Kelly Jankowski, Downers Grove South HS

### [Best Audio Podcast](#)

1st: Alyssa Mojica, Downers Grove South HS  
2nd: Rachana Pokkuluri, Downers Grove South HS  
3rd: Matt Troher, Ellie Cawthorne & Logan Maramba, Downers Grove North HS

## **DIVISION 4 — continued**

### Best Blogger

1st: Shrey Parikh, Palatine HS  
2nd: Rhaya Truman, Downers Grove South HS  
3rd: Jacob Casella, Downers Grove South HS  
HM: Claire Paschke, Naperville Central HS  
HM: Caraline Anderson, Palatine HS

### Best Website

1st: Ina Barashka & Paul Szmanda, Downers Grove South HS  
2nd: Alana Cervera & Thom Blair, Naperville Central HS  
3rd: Fidan Malikova, Caroline Philbin, Nataly Panczek, Caraline Anderson, Julia Plesniak, Joann Diep & Jane Spencer, Palatine HS  
HM: Sarah Rogoz & Matt Troher, Downers Grove North HS

## **OVERALL RESULTS DIVISION 4**

### **Best Digital Publication**

1st: Palatine HS

### **Best Hybrid Publication**

1st: Downers Grove South HS  
2nd: Downers Grove North HS  
3rd: Naperville Central HS  
HM: Edwardsville HS  
HM: Glenbard West HS

### **Best Overall Publication**

1st: Downers Grove South HS  
2nd: Downers Grove North HS  
3rd: Naperville Central HS



## **DIVISION 5 | 2019 IJEA Newspaper & Digital News Contest Results | Enrollment 3,060 and above**

### **CORE CATEGORIES | Open to all publications — print, digital and hybrid**

#### **News**

##### [Best News Story](#)

1st: Eliza Schloss & Imra Tajuddin, Glenbrook South HS

2nd: Emma Kubelka, Huntley HS

3rd: Harper Hill & Grace Dekoker, Lyons Township HS

HM: Dylan Hu & Anjini Grover, Stevenson HS

##### [Best In-Depth News Story](#)

1st: Melissa Liu & Caimin Xi, Stevenson HS

2nd: Lars Lonroth, Lyons Township HS

3rd: Gigi Cepeda, Glenbrook South HS

HM: Danielle Rhody, Huntley HS

#### **Features**

##### [Best Feature Story](#)

1st: Ellie Baden & Janice Lee, Stevenson HS

2nd: Ben Bowler, Olivia Han & Trisha Patel, Stevenson HS

3rd: Ellie Ruos & Violet Guzman-Robles, Glenbrook South HS

HM: Olivia Mack, Huntley HS

HM: Ashley Reilly, Huntley HS

HM: Jose Schneider, Glenbrook South HS

##### [Best Personality Profile](#)

1st: Cheryl Chen, Nellie Maloney, Bella Schneider & Olivia Lamberti, Stevenson HS

2nd: Harper Hill, Lyons Township HS

3rd: Tommy Marquardt & Julia Marriott, Glenbrook South HS

#### **Sports**

##### [Best Sports News Story](#)

1st: Mary Okkema, Lyons Township HS

2nd: Hayden Claesson, Lyons Township HS

3rd: Emma Hammer, Glenbrook South HS

HM: Bradley Locker, Stevenson HS

##### [Best Sports Feature Story](#)

1st: Jordyn Grist, Huntley HS

2nd: Ashley Desserich & Molly Stryker, Glenbrook South HS

3rd: Hayden Claesson, Lyons Township HS

HM: Madison Barr, Huntley HS

##### [Best Sports Commentary](#)

1st: Sophie Vick, Glenbrook South HS

2nd: Hayden Claesson, Lyons Township HS

3rd: Pilar Valdes, Lyons Township HS

HM: Braeden Forman, Stevenson HS

HM: Bradley Locker, Stevenson HS

#### **Opinion**

##### [Best Staff Editorial](#)

1st: Editorial Board, Glenbrook South HS (Teaching Consent)

2nd: Olivia Janik, Lyons Township HS

3rd: Greg Smith, Lyons Township HS

HM: Emma Kubelka & Faith Losbanes, Huntley HS (Dear Mr. Belin)

HM: Staff, Stevenson HS (Choice to Cheat)

## **DIVISION 5 — continued**

### [Best Serious Commentary](#)

1st: Pilar Valdes, Lyons Township HS  
2nd: Ayman Mirkhan, Huntley HS  
3rd: Noah Walch, Glenbrook South HS  
HM: Riley Murphy, Huntley HS  
HM: Hayden Claesson, Lyons Township HS  
HM: Ellie Baden, Stevenson HS

### [Best Humorous Commentary](#)

1st: Josie Schneider, Glenbrook South HS  
2nd: Henry Schleizer, Glenbrook South HS

### [Best Review](#)

1st: Braden Turk, Huntley HS  
2nd: Ayla Dursun & Janice Lee, Stevenson HS  
3rd: Cassidy Foronda, Glenbrook South HS  
HM: Adele Lee & Melissa Liu, Stevenson HS

## **Photos**

### [Best News or Feature Photo](#)

1st: Yoon Kim, Glenbrook South HS  
2nd: Dany Herrera, Glenbrook South HS  
3rd: Arianna Sanchez, Huntley HS  
HM: Riley Murphy, Huntley HS

### [Best Sports Photo](#)

1st: Naomi Skiles, Glenbrook South HS  
2nd: Quinn Toomey, Glenbrook South HS  
3rd: Maggie Kahn, Lyons Township HS  
HM: Sydney Laput, Huntley HS

## **Art & Graphics**

### [Best Editorial Cartoon](#)

1st: Margo Kazak, Glenbrook South HS  
2nd: Alex Gergova, Stevenson HS  
3rd: Tommy Layden, Lyons Township HS  
HM: Ella Prillaman, Glenbrook South HS

### [Best Illustration](#)

1st: Chaeyeon Park, Glenbrook South HS  
2nd: Margo Kazak, Glenbrook South HS  
3rd: Pilar Valdes, Lyons Township HS (Fake News)  
HM: Pilar Valdes, Lyons Township HS (Church League)

### [Best Infographic](#)

1st: Pilar Valdes, Lyons Township HS  
2nd: Gigi Cepeda, Glenbrook South HS  
3rd: Matthew Risinger, Glenbrook South HS  
HM: Anjini Grover & Nellie Maloney, Stevenson HS

## **Miscellaneous**

### [Best Alternative Storytelling](#)

1st: Julia Patterson, Glenbrook South HS  
2nd: Pilar Valdes & Hayden Claesson, Lyons Township HS  
3rd: Sophie Vick, Sofia Snyder, Maryjane McNary & Henry Schleizer, Glenbrook South HS  
HM: Melissa Liu, Stevenson HS  
HM: Alex Gergova, Stevenson HS

## **DIVISION 5 — continued**

### [Best Use of Social Media](#)

- 1st: Lauren Bianco, Tommy Marquardt, Ellie Noffke & Augie Mikell, Glenbrook South HS
- 2nd: Isabel Tuisl, Lyons Township HS
- 3rd: Ashley Reilly, Huntley HS

### [Best Headline](#)

- 1st: Josie Schneider & Ellie Ruos, Glenbrook South HS
- 2nd: Riley Murphy, Huntley HS

### [Best Advertisement](#)

- 1st: Matthew Risinger, Glenbrook South HS (Spa 920)
- 2nd: Matthew Risinger, Glenbrook South HS (Spread the Word)

## **PRINT CATEGORIES | Open to print-only publications and print versions of hybrid publications**

### [Best Single-Page Story Package](#)

- 1st: Leah Dunne & Sofia Snyder, Glenbrook South HS
- 2nd: Tessa Voytovich, Nicole Klein, Anna McCormick & Dani Almase, Lyons Township HS
- 3rd: Isabel Tuisl, Mia Bonfiglio, Maggie Kahn & Nicole Klein, Lyons Township HS

### [Best Centerspread Story Package](#)

- 1st: Josie Schneider, Glenbrook South HS
- 2nd: Georgia Dougherty, Camilla Breen, Pilar Valdes, Isabella Sorice & Anna McCormick, Lyons Township HS
- 3rd: Ellie Ruos & Violet Guzman-Robles, Glenbrook South HS
- HM: Ayla Dursun & Ojasvi Saxena, Stevenson HS

### [Best Photo Story](#)

- 1st: Quinn Toomey, Glenbrook South HS
- 2nd: Matthew Risinger & Quinn Toomey, Glenbrook South HS
- 3rd: Lily Jiang, Stevenson HS

### [Best Front-Page Design](#)

- 1st: Eliza Schloss, Imra Tajuddin & Gigi Cepeda, Glenbrook South HS (March 15, 2019)
- 2nd: Eliza Schloss, Imra Tajuddin & Gigi Cepeda, Glenbrook South HS (May 25, 2018)
- 3rd: Mary Okkema, Harper Hill, Pilar Valdes & Grace Dekoker, Lyons Township HS
- HM: Faith Losbanes & Arianna Sanchez, Huntley HS
- HM: Freddy Ortiz, Joliet West HS
- HM: Chloe Myers & Cheryl Chen, Stevenson HS

### [Best Overall Design](#)

- 1st: Editorial Board, Huntley HS (February 2019)
- 2nd: Staff, Lyons Township HS (Dec. 3, 2018)
- 3rd: Chloe Myers, Cheryl Chen, Olivia Lamberti, Kendall Roberts & Ellie Baden, Stevenson HS (Romance)
- HM: Eliza Schloss, Imra Tajuddin & Gigi Cepeda, Glenbrook South HS (March 15, 2019)

## **DIGITAL CATEGORIES | Open to digital-only publications and online versions of hybrid publications**

### [Best Multimedia Story Package](#)

- 1st: Mary Okkema, Lars Lonnroth & Pilar Valdes, Lyons Township HS
- 2nd: Tessa Voytovich, Lars Lonnroth & Isabella Sorice, Lyons Township HS

### [Best Video Story](#)

- 1st: Lars Lonnroth, Lyons Township HS (Pool Meeting)
- 2nd: Lars Lonnroth, Lyons Township HS (Jackson Square)
- 3rd: Ian Duda & Valerie Villaflor, Joliet West HS

### [Best Audio Podcast](#)

- 1st: Lars Lonnroth, Lyons Township HS (Security)
- 2nd: Lars Lonnroth, Lyons Township HS (Drug Use)

## **DIVISION 5 — continued**

### [Best Blogger](#)

1st: Mady Borst, Huntley HS

2nd: Riley Murphy, Huntley HS

3rd: Lars Lonnroth, Lyons Township HS

### [Best Website](#)

1st: Grace Dekoker, Lars Lonnroth & Taylor Schmitt, Lyons Township HS

2nd: Braden Turk, Huntley HS

3rd: Ellie Noffke, Tommy Marquardt, Lauren Bianco & Augie Mikell, Glenbrook South HS

HM: Alexis Schofield, Joliet West HS

HM: Aniket Nuthalapati, Trisha Patel & Christie Lee, Stevenson HS

## **OVERALL RESULTS DIVISION 5**

### **Best Hybrid Publication**

1st: Glenbrook South HS

2nd: Lyons Township HS

3rd: Huntley HS

HM: Stevenson HS

### **Best Overall Publication**

1st: Glenbrook South HS

2nd: Lyons Township HS

3rd: Huntley HS

HM: Stevenson HS