

2013-14 Board of School Trustee Commendation Awards

August 2013

- Crown Point Bulldogs 12 and under baseball team for being named the Major/60 Cal Ripken World Series Champions - Team: Kyle Bauner, Marek Bauner, Luke Bianco, Ryan Fender, Nick Geisen, Kyle Gilmack, Sam Krutz, Alec Matalin, Kenny Michaels, Christian Paris, Ryder Rex, Logan Ryan, Jake Schalasky, Josh Suslowicz; Coaches: Robert Bauner, Mike Bauner, Larry Geisen, Chris Krutz, John Paris
- Jonathon Haas for being named the 2013 Post Tribune Boys' Golf Coach of the Year
- The Food Service Department, for exhibiting high standards of quality by maintaining facilities, services, and equipment to provide a safe, clean, and healthy environment for all students and staff of the Crown Point Community School Corporation. The opening of our schools was very organized, precise, and efficient.
- The Transportation Department, for exhibiting high standards of quality by maintaining facilities, services, and equipment to provide a safe, clean, and healthy environment for all students and staff of the Crown Point Community School Corporation. The opening of our schools was very organized, precise, and efficient.
- The Buildings and Grounds Department, for exhibiting high standards of quality by maintaining facilities, services, and equipment to provide a safe, clean, and healthy environment for all students and staff of the Crown Point Community School Corporation. The opening of our schools was very organized, precise, and efficient.

September 2013

- Fifty-four current CPHS students named AP Scholars by the College Board for earning a 3 or higher on three or more AP exams. Honored students - Juniors: Chloe Anderson, Emily Anderson, Steven Bazin, Rachael Bokota, Renee Brigham, Zachary Bucci, Joshua David, Rhythm Dhillon, Katherine Dillon, Tyler Downing, Elyse Feder, Maggie Gelon, Natalie Groff, Jacob Gulka, Kyle Heilman, Patrick Hibbard, Cody Hipp, Carson Hoogewerf, Aleksandar Kajmakoski, Ryan Kelleher, Michael Keller, Lynn Kholoki, Kyle Kirk, Caleb Kreis, Steven Krenzke, Zachary Lambert, Savannah Langbartels, Alexandra Lilovich, Bonnie Lin, Matthew Lippy, Samuel Maginot, Hannah Maxwell, Madeline McConnell, Nathan McNally, Brianna Oliver, Nicholas Ormes, Nicklaus Palmer, Ashlyn Pickett, Ryan Prodoehl, April Przyborski, Susan Reed, Jackson Roush, Griffin Rushton, Ryan Russell, Jacob Ryan, Rodolfo Javier SanJuan III, Dorotea Sotirovska, Robert Stratton, Athena Tran, Alexandra Vasos, Nathaniel Wos, Kamil Zabawa; Sophomores: Jonathan Dietrich, Simone Siew
- 2012-13 Crown Point High School Latin Club for placing 2nd in Publicity for chapters with new sponsors, 3rd in Publicity overall, and 3rd in Scrapbooks at the National Junior Classical League Latin Convention. In addition the students won several individual contest awards - Team: Alexandra Baloski, Samuel Barber, Natalie Brigham, Renee Brigham, Julia Brown, Brennen Chaussey, Thomas Cooper, Sarah DeMars, Michael Keller, Eric Kim, Savannah Langbartels, Joshua Mazur, Kristina Mihajlovic, Ryan Sizemore, Kathryn Szymanski, Susan Szymanski, John Verdegan, Andie Wahlberg, Anna Werkowski; Sponsors: Sara Robertson, Jeremy Walker

October 2013

- Matthew Lippy, CPHS senior, for being selected as a semi-finalist in the 2014 National Merit Scholarship Program
- CPHS students named Commended Students in the 2014 National Merit Scholarship Program. These students were recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Students: Renee Brigham, Abigail Eineman, Aleksandar Kajmakoski, Ryan Prodoehl, and Jackson Roush

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- Alexandra Baloski, CPHS sophomore, for winning the Red Ribbon Week Poster Contest sponsored by the Lake County Substance Abuse Council. Her work is displayed on an electronic billboard near the corner of I-65 and Route 30 in Merrillville.
- CPHS extracurricular clubs partnered with the Crown Point Community Foundation to support local philanthropy initiatives - Clubs, charities, and student representatives: Interact Club - NICK Foundation: Katie Dillon; Student Council - ARC of NW Indiana: Hannah Maxwell; Key Club - Rebuilding Together: Paige Buelow; National Honor Society - St. Jude House: Athena Tran; CASS - St. Clare Health Clinic: Valerie Jones; Administrator/Leader - Mr. Russ Marcinek; Additional student representatives in attendance: Interact Club - Susan Szymanski, Emily Wirick, Josh Kelly
Student Council - Madisen McGuckin, Kathy Cacovski, Alexandra Vasos
Key Club - Athena Tran, Thanos Liodis, April Przyborski
National Honor Society - Morgan Stepnoski, Renee Brigham
CASS - Nadia Giedemann, Tyler Hansen

November 2013

- Crown Point High School Music Department for being the recipient of the 2012-2013 Indiana State School Music Association All-Music Award - Johann Sletto, Band Director; Joanne Haley-Borodine, Choir Director; James Deal, Orchestra Director
- CPHS Boys' Soccer Team for being named the 2013 Class 2A Men's Soccer State Champions at the 20th Annual IHSAA Soccer State Finals - Team: Bay Kurtz, Brad Kurtz, Scott Garcia, Spase Dorsuleski, Carmelo Morales, Stojan Krsteski, Nate Brower, Garret Small, Connor Keaveney, Ben Tomko, Michael Tanchevski, Tod Oram, Scotty Foster, Erik Eksten, Fernando Barajas, Goran Trimoski, Joey Krampen, Boze Spaseski, Tristan Pfeifer, Mason Manis, Eric Sirois, Joe Bushemi, Kevin Church, Connor Krampen, Sam Hodges; Mike Bazin, Head Coach; Daniel Quiroz, Asst. Coach; Zach Kekelik, Asst. Coach; Jim Eaton, Asst. Coach; Maja Dorsuleski, Student Manager; Andrean Tanchevski, Student Manager
- CPHS Soccer Team members Carmelo Morales and Bay Kurtz for being named 2013 Times Players of the Year
- CPHS Volleyball Team for being named the 2013 Sectional Champions at the Class 4A Crown Point Sectionals...team's first sectional win since 1992 (21 years) - Team: Jordyn Banske, Alyssa Kvarata, Courtney Covaciu, Madalyn Brownlee, Alyssa Mazur, Caley Rainford, Meagan Fajman, Abby Kvachkoff, Taylor Sabato, Jordan Jones, Lexy Oppenhuis, Andrea Kutemeier, Jessica Yukich, Mia Gurgevich, Nicole Gilbert, Tea Chura; Head Coach: Alison Duncan; Assistant Coaches: Shelley Evers, Ashley Plumley, Tara Newton
- CPHS Volleyball Team members Abby Kvachkoff, Courtney Covaciu and Meagan Fajman for being selected to the Senior North All-Star Volleyball Team and Alyssa Kvarata for being selected to the Junior North All-Star Volleyball Team
- CPHS Athletic Department for leadership and exemplary performance hitting the record of 50% Scholar Athletes and student participation rates doubled - Bill Dorulla, Athletic Director; Mike Malaski, Assistant Athletic Director; Mary Roth, Athletic Department Secretary
- Dwight D. Eisenhower Elementary Spell Bowl Team for placing first in Lake County in the Orange Class Division, and having the highest score (54) of all Crown Point Schools and placing fourth in the state's Top Ten at the Elementary Spell Bowl Competition - Team: Nora Boland, Jon Lieber, Anthony Saberniak, Luke Dannels, Ella Hahn, Will Clark, Jake Thunberg, Colton Thiel, Matthew Gerona, Daniel Sibincic, Grace Sojka, Azzam Atif, Griffin Dusseau, Quinn Mullen, Maya VanderWoude, Ryan Kozlowski; Coach: Jori Dusseau

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- Timothy Ball Elementary Spell Bowl Team for placing first in Lake County in the Red Class Division and placing ninth in the state's Top Ten at the Elementary Spell Bowl Competition - Team: Sebastian Ashbach, Lillian Dunn, Diane Kosior, Vincent Badali, Nicholas Dziubczynski, Jackson Lee, Ashley Bell, Chloe Fridrich, Jason Tung, Joseph Bell, Amber Hazi, Justin Tung, Katherine Davidson, Angelica Italiano, Jacob Venzke; Coaches: Lynn Carlson, Todd Emory

December 2013

- Excalibur Yearbook staff for winning the 2013 Division III Harvey Award, the highest honor in the state given by the Indiana High School Press Association - Advisor: Lisa Keene; Editor-in-Chiefs: Ashley Downing and Alexis Hesser

February 2014

- Crown Point High School Inklings Newspaper staff for receiving The Hoosier Star, Indiana High School Press Association's highest award, and first place for online publication during the onsite competition at the IHSPA state convention, and national recognition of All-American from the National School Press Association as well as the George H. Gallup Award, the highest honor from Quill and Scroll - Advisor: Julie Elston; Editors: Abby Elston and Sam Beishuizen; Individual journalists recognized for their achievements in the onsite competition by the IHSPA at the state convention are: First Place - Maddie Adducci, Newswriting; Ellie Burrell, Editorial Cartooning; Maggie Gelon, Newspaper Feature Page Design; Dylan Taylor, Editorial Writing; Second Place - Olivia Elston, Copy Editing; Third Place - Verda Mirza, Ethics and Leadership; Individual journalist recognized for their achievements by the National Scholastic Press Association/Journalism Education Association at the national convention are: Superior Rating - Maggie Gelon, Newspaper Layout; Excellent Rating - Dylan Taylor, Editorial Writing; Honorable Mention - Kara Biernat, Sports Writing; Ellie Burrell, Editorial Cartooning; Yazzmyne Lopez, Advertising; Katie Sherman, Newswriting; Christina Winfrey, Feature Writing
- Bobbie Sue McDaniel, Cassidy Wichowsky, and Emily Tassi for being selected to the 2014 Indiana All-State Choir in Fort Wayne, Indiana. The girls went through a rigorous audition competing against the best of the best. The girls performed a short number.
- CPHS 2013-14 Girls' Swim Team for being State Runner-up at the IHSAA State Swim Finals February 2014 and Sectional Champions at the Crown Point Sectional - Team: Kelsi Artim, Mackenzie Artim, Casey Bieszcak, Racheal Bukowski, Bailey Ficek, Paige Frederick, Alyssa Hemminger, Sydney Johnson, Brooke Kiran, Hannah Kukurugya, Lexie Linback, Caroline Lodovisi, Anna McCormick, Katie Ruess, Holly Schuster, Alex St. Amour, Sam Swenton, Ally Tetzloff, Abby Wellman, Anne Wrasman, Danielle Yagelski, Hope Zimmerman; Coach: Bryon Angerman; Asst. Coach: Brian Trippeer; Individual State Awards - Ally Tetzloff - 1st Place: 100 Butterfly; 2nd Place: 200 Medley Relay, 200 Individual Medley, and 400 Free Relay; Hannah Kukurugya - 1st Place: 500 Freestyle; 2nd Place: 200 Medley Relay, 200 Freestyle, and 400 Free Relay; Kelsi Artim - 2nd Place: 200 Medley; Racheal Bukowski - 2nd Place: 200 Medley and 400 Free Relay; Mackenzie Artim - 2nd Place: 400 Free Relay; Holly Schuster - 7th Place: 100 Breast Stroke and 8th Place: 200 Free Relay; Bryon Angerman - Girls' State Swim Coach of the Year

March 2014

- 2013-14 Eisenhower Elementary Science Olympiad Team for receiving the first place blue ribbon, plaque and traveling trophy in the Crown Point School Competition Team: Colin Bisel, Gwen Cordes, Matthew Gerona, Matthew Jacobs, Michael Kulak, Jon Lieber, Noah Oosterhoff, Jake Oostman, Blake Pysh, Anthony Saberniak, Jamie Schoettle, Colton Thiel; Coach: Jori Dusseau

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- Winning Team, Eisenhower Bald Eagles, raised a record \$15,500 pledged for having their heads shaved at the St. Baldrick's Day benefit in Crown Point which supports the eradication of childhood cancer - Students/Participants: Jon Lieber, Billy McCall, Shaunna Frey, Michele Conte, Luke Neal, Anthony Saberniak, Ryan Edgren, Zach Pitts, Landin Ready, Colton Thiel, Connor Thiel, Will Clark, Jaxon Tortolano, Griffin Dusseau, Liam Begley, Quinn Begley, Drew Croell, Brett Croell, Thomas Uram, Aidan Depel, Zach Hill, Kasey Anderson, Zander LaChapelle, Andrew Grimes, Eli Stoelb, Eli Davis, Philip Mitreski, Aidan Siavelis, Owen Siavelis, Braden Rahmany, Ben Breuker, Andy Sojka, Emily Clark; Sponsor: Jori Dusseau
United with all their fellow students and families in the Eisenhower School community, they raised the most money in the community and are the recipients of the trophy. The team that came closest to them, INCLUDING the Mayor's team, raised \$5,000. A total of \$60,000.00 was raised at this event
- 2013-14 Lake Street Elementary Math Bowl Team for being named State Runner-up in the Red Class and being first in Lake County in their class at the Regional Elementary Math Bowl Competition. Team: Haley Brownd, Elise Hochbaum, Cole Rowell, Drake Dvojacki, Bailey Brumbaugh, Spencer Kennedy, Kendal Schara, Alyssa Gargano, Fiona Connelly, Sarah Lewis, Mia Stewart, Leo Paz, Ryan Costello, Alyssa McMahan, Gavin Tabor, Brian Radanovich, Mia Depta, Analise Moran, Gianna Witte, Madison Young; Coaches: Mary Lou Nance and Kelly Anthony
- Colonel John Wheeler Dance Team for being State Runner-up in Advanced JH Pom at the IHSDTA State Competition - Team: Anastasija Avramovic, Gabby Zirkle, Aaliyah White, Abby Plemons, Kylee Winston, Sammy Maks, Laney Hernandez, Madison Mazure, Sydney Young, Alicia Pinchok, Makayla Jurek, Brittany kohler, Hailey Lawhead, Gracie Frazier, Georgia Kurtz, Corrin Hummel, Devon McSurley, Sienna Gentry, Lizzy Hohos; Coach: Tamara Betz
- Robert A. Taft Dance Team for placing third in the Middle School Pom Division at the IHSDTA State Competition - Team: Hannah Brownd, Melissa DeGroot, Sophia Genovese, Payton Grady, Alexa King, Savannah Kitchens, Dennedy Lecea, Sydney Manhattan, Karlye Sopczak, Olivia Wagner, Maddie Witten, Julia Zamora; Coaches: Annie Vassar and Michelle Hamstra
- Crown Point High School Cheerleading Team for being named National Champions in the Performance Division and 1st Place in the Game Time Timeout Cheer at the 2014 NCA Small Intermediate High School Competition - Performance Division Team: Hayley Borowski, Aaliyah Bruce, Abi Bushman, Julia Ferguson, Carly Fisher, Hannah Franklin, Taylor Frnks, Cassidy Lieber, Brooke Perrin, Cailey Sabotnik, Vivica Soria, Sam Tayler, and Kennedy Tolbert: Game Time Timeout Cheer Team: Lauren Ashby, Cassandra Barnes, Hayley Borowski, Julia Ferguson, Carly Fisher, Taylor Franks, Kayla Greep, Cassidy Lieber, Frankie Metlov, Korny Ortell, Brooke Perrin, Teralyn Petyko, Sydney Renner, Cailey Sabotnik, Sam Tayler, Kennedy Tolbert; Coaches: Gwen Eriks, Sarah Eriks, Maddie Chambers, and Colleen Robison
- Crown Point High School Decathlon Team for placing third at the Indiana Academic Decathlon State Finals at Purdue University and first at the regional competition - Team members: Ryan Sizemore, Justin Waran, Katherine Kennedy, Tracci Fisher, Reagan Airey, Eric Kim, Kayleigh Margis, and Elena Hutchison, Rachael Bokota; Coach: John Lambersie
Top five in the state:
Martinsville
Lowell
Crown Point
New Albany
Homestead

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- Crown Point High School CPTV for being named State Champions for Best News Broadcast at the Indiana Association of Student Broadcasters Competition at the University of Indianapolis - CPTV Student Staff: Tiffany Dewes, Brianna Rhodes, Jordyn Banske, Alexis Berdine, Becca Chromey, Kelsea Costello, Megan Fernandez, Valerie Jones, Raquelle Majors, Nick Sansone, Racheal Bukowski, Shelby Kiger, Tyler Reed, Rachel Reitan, Maggie Robinson, Griffin Rushton, Tobey Schmidt, and Ashlyn Stiener; Advisers: Chris Gloff and Brent Barber

Top 3 in the state:

Crown Point

Ben Davis

Carmel

- 2013-14 Jerry Ross Elementary Math Bowl Team for winning first place in the Orange Class at the local competition, tying for the highest score of all Crown Point Schools, and being in the state's Top Ten at the Regional Elementary Math Bowl Competition - Team: Matthew Bates, Joshua Holbrook, Brooke Ferkull, Natalie Tul, Cole Simmons, Shane Schmidt, Aidan Carter, Dominic Sopczak, Abby Stolte, Colin Porter, Orion White, Alexis Slaven, Andrew Van Rys, Kristian Muniz, Anya Petreski, Austin Barley, Abigail Edwards, Sam Plumer, Emma Taylor, Mankirth Singh, Tyler Britton, Hashim Salameh, Alexander Eyermann, Cooper Withrow, Kylie Gutyan, Ryan Myers, Marko Prentoski, Payton Donahue, Nikola Babac, Grace Turpin, Jayden Phillips, Nicholas Cashman, Margaret Crane; Coach: Michelle Bourrell

April 2014

- Beth Huebner, Lake Street Kindergarten teacher, for being named "2013 Conservation Teacher of the Year" by the Lake County Soil and Water Conservation District for her outstanding efforts to teach her students about conservation of our natural resources.
- Principals, Faculties and Staffs of Dwight D. Eisenhower, Lake Street, Douglas MacArthur, Solon Robinson, Winfield and Jerry Ross Elementary Schools, Colonel John Wheeler Middle School, and Crown Point High School for receiving the prestigious honor of being named 2013-14 Indiana Four Star Schools - Principals: Mrs. Mary Ann Chapko, Mrs. Cindy Wise, Ms. Marian Buchko, Mrs. Barb Merrill, Mrs. Jillian Alonzo Mrs. Jennifer Stolarz, Mr. Tim Vassar, and Mr. Chip Pettit

May 2014

- 2014-2015 Teacher of the Year/Employee of the Year Award Presentations

Teacher of the Year and Employee of the Year Winners

Amy Helmuth, Teacher of the Year - secondary level

Shana Bane, Teacher of the Year - elementary level

Mary Roth, Employee of the Year

Teacher of the Year Finalists:

Brian Elston, Mike David, Kelley Nelson, CPHS

Dan Thomas, Taft

Kathleen Lucht, Eisenhower

Kelly Anthony, Lake Street

April Irizarry, Paulette Cable, MacArthur

Kelly Shih, Suzanne Hufford, Timothy Ball

Kathy Midkiff, Jerry Ross

Employee of the Year Finalists:

Shari Hodorowicz, Eisenhower

LouAnn Arena, Jerry Ross

Vicki Dykstra, Support Service Center

Cindy Granger, Transportation

- 2013-14 BPA Global Marketing Team, for earning second place in the state at the 2014 Business Professionals of America State Leadership Conference - Students: Mollie Bates, Kelsea Costello, Rhythm Dhillon, Bayan Fares, Zachary Gordon, Nick Grothaus, Andre Hatami, Mike Hilliary, Ben Jasek, Shelby Kiger, Madison McKendry, George Mirabella, Freddie Nino, Allison Okeley, Claire Olah, Kyle Venditti, Ashley Wortel; Sponsor: Mary Bachnak

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- 2013-14 CPHS VEX Robotics Team 1233E, for outstanding achievements at the local, regional and state competitions and advancing to the world championship competition in Anaheim, California - Students: Robert Ponziano, Zack Otano, Josh Kelly, Michael Shields, Nathan McNally; Sponsor: Mark Querry
- 2013-14 Crown Point High School Latin Club for being named state champions, placing 1st in the Helen Wampler Spirit Competition, Publicity, Publication, Delegate Spirit and Scrapbook Contests, and 2nd in the Sharon Gibson Community Service Award at the Indiana Junior Classical League State Convention. The Certamen teams earned 1st place at the advanced, novice, and intermediate divisions and several students received Individual Achievement Trophies and awards. Students: Casey Akers, Brennen Chaussey, Claire Dosen, Taylen Hovanec, Luke Perrin, Susan Szymanski, Alexandra Baloski, Callista Christ, Daniel Duncan, Michael Keller, Susan Reed, John Verdegan, Natalie Brigham, Thomas Cooper, Chadwick Dykman, Eric Kim, Sabrina Siew, Alyex Wahlberg, Renee Brigham, August Dailey, Samantha Fargo, Josh Mazur, Simone Siew, Andie Wahlberg, Julia Brown, Sarah DeMars, Emily Fender, Maddie McConnell, Ryan Sizemore, Anna Werkowski, Rebecca Burke, Benjamin Depta, Nick Hanlon, Amber Moon, Chelsea Snedden; Sponsors: Sara Robertson and Jeremy Walker
- 2013-2014 CPHS Varsity Dance Team, for being named Division 1 State Champions in Varsity Pom and Kick at the 2014 IHSDTA State Finals - Dance Team: Caitlyn Baker, Riley Geoghegan, Malayne Rybolt, Alex Swallers, Kathy Cacovski, Lauren Hasse, Molly Schmidt, Hanna VanProoyen, Jamie Cocking, Valerie Jones, Tobey Schmidt, Jordan Vinovich, Haleigh Darnell, Ashley Kohler, Jill Steiger, Brianna Walters, Nadia Giedemann, Elizabeth Muller, Anna Surufka; Coaches: Debbie Bickel, Chloe Hoffman; Asst. Coaches: Rachel Steward, Jessica Wayman, Jennifer Ciochina