

THE JAN HENRICK ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

I tried many times to put into words what everyone is feeling having to deal with covid. It affects our thinking, how we feel physically, loneliness and helplessness all mean less. Our external shields and masks hide the internal sunshine that is in all of us. The media has become our world maker, so why bother trying to create something new, when someone else probably already has. This my friends is what the Jan Henrick Achievement Award is all about. For (16) years I have witnessed students, long before covid, exhibit the above descriptions. Instead of masks they hide inside a hoody. They walk quietly amongst the thundering herd of the student population, hoping to remain unseen. They enjoy music but would be afraid to dance to it in front of people. They dream of inventing something that everyone will want and make them rich and famous... someday. My motivation this year, was to show that the JHAA was going to happen because students needed recognition and someone to care, now more than ever. Kyle Henrick and I reached out to our (3) High Schools, Plant City, Pasco, and Wharton. Each school addressed covid protocols and would then make the (12) students available to receive their certificate and \$300 Gift card. Our first school was Plant City and classes had just begun. Slowly the students arrived, each with a huge question mark, why were they here? We handed out the previous year's newsletter to each. Talking through my mask wasn't easy or comfortable, but I relished the opportunity to interact with the students. Upon handing out the awards I asked if anyone had any questions. Through tears of joy, astonishment and shaky hands holding a \$300 gift card they all wanted to know who nominated them for this incredible gift? Onto Pasco High School, Again, the students assembled 6 feet apart and began asking why they were here. My son graduated from Pasco and some of the students had brothers and sisters that went to school with him, so there was a connection that made conversation easy. Once again, the appreciation expressed by each student was overwhelming and truly heartfelt. Who nominated me for this award they chanted in unison. There it was again, the recognition that someone cared enough for them to nominate them, and the students just wanted to say thank you to that person. As Kyle and I loaded up to head to our last school, Wharton High School we discussed some ideas on how we could let the students know who the person was who recognized all their hard work and dedication to changing their lives for the better. It's amazing how life can somehow answer our questions when we least expect it. Wharton has a cavernous library which I thought was overkill for maintaining social distancing. The school had extended an invitation to each student to bring along a parent for the presentation. Each family had their own table. As we began to call the first student to come up a gaggle of faculty filed into the library. Since we couldn't get large group pictures, we were taking individual student pictures. As soon as I handed the award out one of the faculty ran up and jumped into the picture. That faculty was the person who nominated the student. Each student and the faculty member and all the rest of us couldn't stop the sea of tears flowing down our masked faces. The question asked by all (36) students; who thought of me for this award, who believed in me to take the time to lobby on my behalf and why can't I thank them personally? Wharton showed us that we needed to change and improve the way we do our presentations. The faculty; teachers, counselors, coaches and admin staff choose the students and we do the rest. Maybe it's time to recognize the people who care about our students (sons and daughters), let them know how much we appreciate them for the great job they do every day. Kyle and I look forward to 2021. Hopefully the JHAA banquet and golf tournament will be back in full swing this coming November 13th, 2021. Stay safe, Kevin



PLANT CITY HIGH SCHOOL

2020 Award Winners

ANKIT PATEL
BROOKE CASE
DESIREE BOLIVAR
JOY DELONG

KYLER ZIEGLER
LANDON MCKINNIS
LOGAN HARRIS
LUIS MESA CORTES

MARLENE ORTEGA
NATALIE HARRELL
NIJAH PRATHER
ZELLINETTE SANTOS



Mr. Bohne,

This gift was so cool. I am thankful for people like you who recognize when we do good.

Thank you so much Love. Brooke Case

Mr. Bohne,

Thank you for your thoughtfulness. I got to use my gift card to get my mom something nice for Christmas.

Love, Joy DeLong

Mr. Bohne,

Thank you for this gift. I was able to take my grandma out for a nice dinner. It was fun to be able to do something nice for someone I love. Logan Harris

Dear Mr. Bohne.

I was overwhelmed by the kindness and generosity that was shown to me. I have worked really hard to make my family and my teachers proud. I am thankful for this gift and hope that one day I can give back to others.

Sincerely, Ankit Patel

Dear Mr. Bohne.

Thank you so much for the Jan Henrick Award. I am excited to use this money to help my family out and get my brother a Nintendo Switch for Christmas! I am overwhelmed by your kindness. Sincerely, Kyler Ziegler

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Dear Mr. Bohne,

I am so thankful for this award. I was not expecting this and am very overwhelmed by your kindness. Thank you again.

Desiree Bolivar

Dear Mr. Bohne.

I have never received an award before and I was surprised when I got this one. I was thankful to be selected to receive it. It was an honor! Thank you so much for your kindness.

Love, Marlene Ortega

Dear Mr. Bohne,

I loved hearing the story about your wife and how she loved to give back to students. I am honored that I was chosen and hope to give back to others one day too. Thank you so much for this award.

Sincerely, Landon McKinnis

Dear Mr. Bohne,

Thank you for providing this award for me. I used it to help pay for gifts for my siblings. I love that I was able to help my parents out. Thank you again.
Luis Mesa Cortes

Dear Mr. Bohne,

Thank you for this kind award. I was overwhelmed and honored that someone would think to nominate me. I would have liked to have met your wife, she was a great lady. Thank you again for your generosity.

Love, Natalie Harrell



Pasco High School

2020 Award Winners

BEAUTIFUL HERNANDEZ
DAKOTA MEDLIN
KIMBERLY RENTERIA
ELWIS SEQUEN

JACKSON WRENCH
JALAYIA HARRISON
JALIAH BROCKINGTON
JOHNDRIES GRANT

LISBETH NUNEZ TREJO

MARIA MERCEDES CASTILLO TORRES

MARIA TORRES

TIMMY LEE



Thank you for not only doing this program but letting myself and other students know, that at not seen, and that our hard work shows. Thank you, for letting me be a part of this. I can say I'm truly honored. This not only shows my hard work but my struggles and achievements as well. I'm so grateful for people like you. Thank you, this helped a lot.

Beautiful Hernandez

Thank you so much for the Jan Henrick Achievement award. It really did help me so much. I wish you the best.

Kimberly Renteria

Thank you to the Jan Henrick Organization for this award. It is very nice to be recognized for my work. I would also like to thank those teachers who helped me along the way.

Thank you, Jackson Wrench

Dear Henrick Family,

Thank you for allowing me to have the opportunity to receive the award and take part in a wonderful foundation. In addition, the gift certificate was very useful to me and I am very grateful for that.

Timmy Lee

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Thank you for noticing our hard work and even considering me for this award, it makes me feel great that my hard work is finally been noticed. I was able to buy my little sister Christmas gifts with the \$300 Dollars. Once again thank you very much for making this Christmas the best Christmas for them.

Jalayia Harrison

I thank God for receiving this award, also my Teacher for nominating me and seeing all the effort I made. I feel very grateful and motivated. It is good that there are people who value our effort and dedication.

Thank you very much, to the Jan Henrick Achievement Award.

Maria Mercedes Castillo Torres

Thank you so much for the award and gift card. It was truly and an honor to be recognized. I am very thankful for the gift card as I was able to help my mom buy Christmas gifts. Thank you so much.

I would like to say thank you from the bottom of my heart for all that Jan Henrick Foundation has done for me and others like me.

Johndries Grant

I would like to give a huge thank you for being a part of this award. It meant the world knowing people actually see the effort and progress we made.

Maria Torres

Thank you so much,

Thanks for noticing me. I got my family Christmas gifts and everybody was happy. Thanks so much and have a good year.

Jaliah Brockington

To the Henrick Family,

Thank you for choosing me for the achievement award it's really means a lot and is a big motivation to finish school.

Love, Daleta Miller

Thank you so very much for this award. I felt very happy when I received it because it's nice to know my efforts are paying off. Thank you for encouraging to keep going and to work hard.

Lisbeth Nunez



WHARTON HIGH SCHOOL

2020 Award Winners

ADRIAYANA MILLER
ALEJANDRO ESQUIVEL
ANTHONY SMITH
CARLOS NESBITT

FREDDY LEMUS
JEAN ROMAN
JEHAD SALOUM
KIRSTI FRIZZELL

LARRYNE HARROLD
NEHEMIAH MILLER
SANTO AGOSTA
TEANA GOMES



Kirsti Frizzell: Dear Jan Henrick Foundation,
Thank you for choosing me to be one to accept this
award it means a lot. All 4 years of my high school I've
had some good times, but I've also had a lot of bad
ones. If it wasn't for the support of the awesome office
staff and faculty, I wouldn't have been able to pull
through my senior year. Thank you for the award it
really means a lot it showed me that I can achieve
everything. I remember being a freshman seeing the
plaque in the office of those who won the award I told
myself one day I will be on one and I did! Thank you
once again.

Freddy Lemus: I would like to thank the staff and teachers of Wharton High School for always being kind and considerate to students and others. I also would like to thank Mr. Henrick as well for carrying on his wife's dream of helping student's and how important it is to us to be recognized for being a good student. Thank you so much.

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Jehad Saloum: I'm thankful for having this award and I'm glad I made it this far safe. I'm hoping to achieve more in education and feel this award is going to help keep me going. Thank you for the award once again;)

Nehemiah Miller: I would like to start by saying thank you to the counselor who chose me. Then I want to say thank you to the people who gave me the award, I really appreciate it. I am very happy to have been recognized for the Jan Henrick Achievement Award. This is the first time I have ever won anything like this and it makes me feel proud of myself.

Santo Agosta: Thank you to the people who gave me this award. This is the first time I have ever won anything. It feels good to know that people notice what I am doing in school. Thank you.

Teana Gomes: I would just like to thank everyone who is part of the Jan Henrick foundation for this amazing opportunity that I got to experience. It really made me have a different view on life and taught me that no matter what life throws at you there's always room for change! God bless Jan's soul, she seemed like an amazing woman! I always want to thank my guidance counselor for nominating me for such a great award it really meant a lot to me. Again, thank you so much to everyone who was at the ceremony and continues to carry on such a beautiful foundation! I'm sure so many kids down the line who receive this award will feel just as grateful as I did.

Anthony Smith: Wow. I can not believe that I was given this award. There is no way I can ever thank you all enough. The award came at the perfect time as I have had to come up with college application money. Thank you to the Jan Henrick Foundation for the honor.

Carlos Nesbitt: Thank you for giving us an unforgettable Holiday break, I feel honored and very fortunate to have been blessed with this gift and even more grateful to be apart of this celebration of life for an amazing women. I'm proud to be recognized as someone who inspires and who is kind and equal to anyone I come across. I plan to honor this award and keep building my character while being the absolute best person I can.

Alejandro Esquivel: Thank you so much for the award of \$300, it helped me a lot with the Christmas gift for my mom and overall, it was very appreciated. When I first heard that I won an award I was a little confused for what it was for and when I learned what it was, I was pretty shocked and surprised. I'm very grateful as my dad taught me to always be grateful and thankful for everything for what I have.

Jean Roman: Dear Jan Henrick Foundation, Thank you for the motivational speech and the reward along with it. I have been working hard at doing the right thing and making good grades. It was so nice to be recognized for my efforts.

Larryne Harrold: Thank you so much for giving me the chance into receiving the Jan Henrick Achievement Award. I greatly appreciate it and loved the opportunity. Things like this makes me keep doing what I am doing because I know someone is watching. I loved Jan's story and the way she came about things as well. She is a great lady that everyone seemed to have loved, I wish I have met her. Again, thank you so much.

Adriayana Miller: I want to thank you for being able to award such students to be able to do better and know their worth. This achieve is by far one of the best because it gives us a purpose along with the purpose of when it was made. I hope this award last a long time to give students the opportunity to grow and do better.

The Jan Henrick Achievement Award

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Just before Christmas 2002, Jan and I had discussed what we could do that would bring hope and happiness to someone for the holidays. Having retired from the school system, Jan wanted to give something back to the school. We enlisted the support of Wharton High School and Plant City High School and agreed that 12 students from each school, chosen by faculty members for having turned their lives around in some way (i.e., better grades, attendance, overall positive attitude, etc.) would each receive \$150 to spend as they wished. Over the years, this award has increased to \$300.00 In 2011 we added Pasco High School in Dade City.

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