

2024 Profile in Courage Essay Contest

Winners, Finalists, Semifinalists, and Honorable Mentions

First Place Winner:

Ruby McIntee, a senior at High School of Dundee in Dundee, Scotland, profiled Vito Anthony Marcantonio, former US Representative of New York.

Second Place Winner:

Craig Hrones, a sophomore at Amherst Regional High School in Amherst, Massachusetts, profiled John P. Slattery, former State Representative of Massachusetts.

Finalists:

Benjamin Klinge, a senior at Brunswick High School in Brunswick, Maine, profiled Jared Golden, US Representative of Maine.

Novah Miller, a senior at Colorado's Finest High School of Choice in Englewood, Colorado, profiled Richard Lamm, former Governor of Colorado.

Shreya Nallamothe, a junior at University High School in Normal, Illinois, profiled David Dinkins, former Mayor of New York City.

Aarush Tutiki, a sophomore at Albuquerque Academy in Albuquerque, New Mexico, profiled Leonidas Dyer, former US Representative of Missouri.

Mia VonLehman, a junior at Notre Dame Academy in Park Hills, Kentucky, profiled Woodrow Wilson Mann, former Mayor of Little Rock, Arkansas.

Semifinalists:

Maeve Brady, a junior at The Wheatley School in Old Westbury, New York, profiled David Rose, former Assemblyman of Anchorage, Alaska.

Xiayang Huang, a sophomore at Hunter College High School in New York, New York, profiled Rodney Mims Cook Sr., former State Representative of Georgia.

Taisei Ishikawa, a junior at Greencastle High School in Greencastle, Indiana, profiled William Hudnut, former Mayor of Indianapolis.

Julia Knispel, a junior at Ridgefield High School in Ridgefield, Connecticut, profiled Sarah Davis, former State Representative of Texas.

Ariel Konieczko, a junior at Beacon High School in New York, New York, profiled Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, former US Representative of Florida.

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Semifinalists (continued):

Landry Lehan, a junior at Mercy High School in Omaha, Nebraska, profiled John Nossner, former Mayor of Natchez, Mississippi.

Karthik Sangameswaran, a junior at Saratoga High School in Saratoga, California, profiled Albert Patterson, former State Senator of Alabama.

Allison Taylor, a senior at Xavier High School in Appleton, Wisconsin, profiled Vel Phillips, former Alderwoman of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Hayden Watkins, a senior at Rowan County High School in Morehead, Kentucky, profiled Cecil Watkins, Attorney of Rowan County, Kentucky.

Wyatt Wunker, a junior at Saint John's School in San Juan, Puerto Rico, profiled Luis Muñoz Marín, former Governor of Puerto Rico.

Honorable Mentions:

Maddox Bell, a senior at Elida High School in Elida, Ohio, profiled Ben Troyer, former School Board Member of Elida, Ohio.

Romi Drubetskoy, a senior at Bronx High School of Science in the Bronx, New York, profiled Fiorello La Guardia, former Mayor of New York City.

Jason Lampert, a senior at Innovation Academy in Alpharetta, Georgia, profiled Ellis Arnall, former Governor of Georgia.

Juno Moon, a sophomore at Bergen Catholic High School in Oradell, New Jersey, profiled Dennis Kucinich, former US Representative of Ohio.

Priyanka Rathnam, a junior at Raleigh Charter High School in Raleigh, North Carolina profiled Elreta Melton Alexander, former North Carolina District Court Judge.

Mallory Rettig, a junior at Anthony Wayne High School in Whitehouse, Ohio, profiled Adam Kinzinger, former US Representative of Illinois.

Pranati Sathyagal, a junior at Ridgefield High School in Ridgefield, Connecticut, profiled Justin Pearson, State Representative of Tennessee.

Alexandra Simon, a junior at Tower Hill School in Wilmington, Delaware, profiled Elbert Carvel, former Governor of Delaware.