Professional Recognition Awards Show

2021

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION AWARDS SHOW

May 13, 2021
5:00 – 6:00 PREMIERE
UConn ECE YouTube
MUSICAL PRELUDE
What a Wonderful World
Sofia DiNatale & Vincent Kaverud

HOST
Cody Olson, Program Coordinator
Office of Early College Programs

WELCOME
Brian Boecherer, Executive Director
Office of Early College Programs

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN FIRST-YEAR COURSE INSTRUCTION

Christopher Wisniewski
Biology — Berlin High School
Presented by Nella Quasnitschka

Kelsey Kapalczyinski
Statistics — Wethersfield High School
Presented by Jessica Hinckley

REMARKS
Peter Diplock, Associate Vice Provost
University of Connecticut
INSTRUCTOR AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN COURSE INSTRUCTION

Thomas Vrabel
Sustainable Plant & Soil Sciences
Trumbull Regional Agriscience & Biotechnology Center
Presented by Stefanie Malinoski

Margaret Kimmett
Chemistry — Valley Regional High School
Presented by Todd Blodgett

Lalitha Kasturirangan
English — Eli Whitney Technical High School
Presented by Carissa Rutkauskas

MUSIC
Orange, Rubyfruit Acapella

PRINCIPAL AWARD FOR PROGRAM SUPPORT & ADVOCACY

Frances DiFiore
Cromwell High School
Presented by Brian A. Boecherer

SITE REPRESENTATIVE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

Ka Man “Mandy” Cheung
Fairchild Wheeler Interdistrict Science Magnet School
Presented by Jessica Dunn
LIBRARY MEDIA SPECIALIST AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN ENRICHMENT & COLLABORATION

Liza Zandonella
Newton High School
Presented by Melanie Banks

MUSIC
High Five, Drop the Bass Acapella

THOMAS E. RECCHIO FACULTY COORDINATOR AWARD FOR ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP

Anthony Rizzie
Mathematics — University of Connecticut
Presented by Thomas E. Recchio

JAN PIKUL AWARD FOR CONTINUED EXCELLENCE IN INSTRUCTION

Aaron Hull
Political Science — Greenwich High School
Presented by Brian A. Boecherer

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