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**Area 9 Cable Council & Altice of CT Announce the Winners of the
2025 Access Awareness Awards (AAA) for Students Gr K–12**

The **Educational Access Awareness Awards** honors original student video productions that have been broadcast throughout the school year on Altice's Educational Access Channel 78. The Area 9 Cable Council (A9CC) and Altice sponsor this contest yearly to encourage students to develop video production and storytelling skills by creating access television shows relevant to their school and community. Student videos are recognized in eleven separate categories - Adult Assisted, Animation/Stop Motion, Documentary (High School), Experimental, General Interest Story, Narrative/Fiction Entries, News Shows, Public Service Announcements, Sports Highlight Reel (High School), School News Story, and Sports Play-by-Play (High School).

Video production programs play a vital role in our communities, supporting and celebrating the great work that happens every day within our schools. We received many student video submissions at the school level. The top three videos from each district in each category then advanced to the AAA contest, a Fairfield County-wide competition celebrating student excellence in video production across elementary, middle, and high school levels. An "Eddy" (Ed Access Trophy) will be presented to the school for each winning project and medals will be presented to students and schools who participated in the creation of **First**, **Second**, and **Third** Place projects.

Additionally, three John M. Repicky Awards will be presented this year. The *John M. Repicky Award* was established in 2010 to recognize Mr. Repicky for his more than twenty-five years of selfless service to the Area 9 Cable Council's Education and Government Committees. The *Repicky Award* honors the best overall project in each level (Elementary, Middle, and High School) with a \$1000 award for the high school entry and \$500 for the Middle and Elementary School winning entries to be used by the winning districts to purchase resources for their video production programs within each school.

2025 AWARDS

HIGH SCHOOL – JOHN M. REPICKY AWARD

“Tether”

By Olivia Marotta
New Canaan High School
Instructor: Jennifer Sinski

MIDDLE SCHOOL – JOHN M. REPICKY AWARD

“Every Minute Counts”

By Eliana Antenucci, Lucy Beatty, Li Bonito
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: David Pisani

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – JOHN M. REPICKY AWARD

“The Missing Pets”

By Peyton Rohan and Anya Ackerson
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: Ryan Oquendo

HIGH SCHOOL AWARDS

HIGH SCHOOL – ADULT ASSISTED

First Place - “Unified Sports”

By Kiernan Feltz and Ibrahim Qureshi

Wilton High School

Instructor: Maria Breece

Second Place - “Day in a Life”

By Maxfield Steckel

Wilton High School

Instructor: Maria Breece

HIGH SCHOOL – ANIMATION / STOP MOTION

First Place - “Tether”

By Olivia Marotta

New Canaan High School

Instructor: Jennifer Sinski

Second Place - “Red Roses”

By Clara Bonomo

Sacred Heart Greenwich

Instructor: David Pisani

Third Place - “Are You Ready?”

By Finn Ryder

Wilton High School

Instructor: Maria Breece

HIGH SCHOOL – DOCUMENTARY

First Place - “The Man in the Red Bandana”

By Julia Beaudry and Maria Walsh

Sacred Heart Greenwich

Instructor: Ellyn Stewart

Second Place - “The Rise of Rise”

By Zachary Northway, Aidan Sardana, and Jackson Norful

Wilton High School

Instructor: Maria Breece

Third Place - “A Family Game”

By Emma Mathews

Sacred Heart Greenwich

Instructor: Leah Principe

HIGH SCHOOL – EXPERIMENTAL

First Place - “The Threads of Love”

By Maisie Pascal
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: David Pisani

Second Place - “Lights Out”

By Amy Walsh
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: Ellyn Stewart

Third Place - “Anxiety”

By Claire Parelli
New Canaan High School
Instructor: Jennifer Sinski

HIGH SCHOOL – GENERAL INTEREST STORY

First Place - “Burn Boot Camp Brings Health and Community”

By Charlotte McCall and Charlotte Halliwell
Wilton High School
Instructor: Maria Breece

Second Place - “Shoulder Check”

By Reece Pinkham and Katie McQuillan
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: Leah Principe

Third Place - “NCHS Courant”

By Tahlia Scherer
New Canaan High School
Instructor: Roman Cebulski

HIGH SCHOOL – NARRATIVE/FICTION

First Place - “Undercover Boss”

By Kelsey Wilkens, Cait Haggerty, and Jane Murphy
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: Leah Principe

Second Place - “The Beauty of Never Giving Up”

By Maisie Pascal
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: David Pisani

Third Place - "Pizza Heist"

By Nate Partenza, Ian Chase, Pearce Campbell, and Kellen Zadourian
Wilton High School
Instructor: Maria Breece

HIGH SCHOOL – NEWS SHOW

First Place - "The Morning Announcements"

By NCTV 78, Advanced TV Broadcasting Class
New Canaan High School
Instructor: Roman Cebulski

Second Place - "Today from the Heart"

By Advanced Media Studies Class
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: Leah Principe

Third Place - "Morning Warrior"

By Whole Class
Wilton High School
Instructor: Maria Breece

HIGH SCHOOL – PSA

First Place - "Broken Clocks"

By Amy Walsh
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: Ellyn Stewart

Second Place - "The Last Word"

By Margaret Marshall
New Canaan High School
Instructor: Jennifer Sinski

Third Place - "Pink Tax"

By Lexi Parsons
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: David Pisani

HIGH SCHOOL – SCHOOL NEWS STORY

First Place - "Middlebrook Art Festival"

By Adam Raniolo and Finn Ryder
Wilton High School
Instructor: Maria Breece

Second Place - “Upper School Update: *Impact FCC*”

By Claire McMonagle and Ainsley Clough
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: Leah Principe

Third Place - “Upper School Update: *50th Anniversary Sing Along*”

By Maeve Langer and Ainsley Clough
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: Leah Principe

HIGH SCHOOL – SPORTS HIGHLIGHT REEL

First Place - “Rams Sports Report”

By John Frieders
New Canaan High School
Instructor: Roman Cebulski

Second Place - “Cale Dexters Highlights”

By Johnny Bittner
Wilton High School
Instructor: Maria Breece

Third Place - “Winter Sports Wrap Up”

By Izzy Nedder, Olivia Franco, and Mia Ritossa
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: Leah Principe

HIGH SCHOOL – SPORT PLAY-BY-PLAY

First Place - “Frieders Play-by-Play Reel”

By John Frieders
New Canaan High School
Instructor: Roman Cebulski

Second Place - “Sports Broadcasting Club”

By Oliva Franco and Juliet Parsons
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: Leah Principe

MIDDLE SCHOOL AWARDS

MIDDLE SCHOOL – GENERAL INTEREST STORY

“Into the Kitchen”

By Sawyer Bruce
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: Deanna George

MIDDLE SCHOOL – NARRATIVE FICTION

“Both Ways”

By Stephanie Galvez, Olivia Linehan, and Calyssa Rodriguez
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: David Pisani

MIDDLE SCHOOL – PSA

First Place - “Every Minute Counts”

By Eliana Antenucci, Lucy Beatty, Li Bonito
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: David Pisani

Second Place - “Helmet Safety”

By Nora Mulcahy, Grace Mulderry, and Aiexa Ramseur-Moore
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: David Pisani

Third Place - “Danger of Vaping”

By Spenser Simmons and Lily Sullivan
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: David Pisani

MIDDLE SCHOOL – SCHOOL NEWS STORY

“Newly Accepted Students”

By Ellie Joseph and Alexa Hughes
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: Deanna George

MIDDLE SCHOOL –NEWS SHOW

First Place - “The Stuart Scoop 6-1”

By Whole Class

Sacred Heart Greenwich

Instructor: Deanna George

Second Place - “Saxe News”

By Whole Class

Saxe Middle

Instructor: George Petrakopoulos

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AWARDS

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – ANIMATION/STOP-MOTION

First Place - “The Missing Pets!”

By Peyton Rohan and Anya Ackerson
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: Ryan Oquendo

Second Place - “The Tortoise & the Hare”

By Maren Ackerman
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: Ryan Oquendo

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - NEWS SHOW

First Place - “SSTV Friday Morning News”

By The South School TV Broadcast Crew
South Elementary School, New Canaan
Instructor: Ronna Van Veghel

Second Place - “The February Edition of Lower School News From the Heart”

By Whole Class
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: Ryan Oquendo

Third Place - “Miller-Driscoll Morning Show”

By Whole Class
Miller-Driscoll - Wilton
Instructor: Skip Ploss

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – SCHOOL NEWS STORY

First Place - “Alumna Update: Beth Yeager”

By Ava Ackerson and Peyton Rohan
Sacred Heart Greenwich
Instructor: Ryan Oquendo

Second Place - “Spotlight on Stuart Gibbs”

By Annabelle Robison and Anabelle Servello
Cider Mill Elementary - Wilton
Instructor: Joe Pullia

Third Place - “Cider Mill School Tour”

By Dottie Billingham and Samiya Atree

Cider Mill - Wilton
Instructor: Nicole Ryan

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – GENERAL INTEREST STORY

First Place - “Cheetah Vision Special Edition: St. Patrick's Day”

By Conor Sullivan and Avish Punia
Kings Highway Elementary - Westport
Instructor: Tara Doyle

Second Place - “Cheetah Vision Special Report: Passover”

By Hazel Eliot and Sydney Hollander
Kings Highway Elementary - Westport
Instructor: Tara Doyle

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – NARRATIVE FICTION

“Spy Base”

By Grayden Tessler, Seonjae Park, Charlie Moran, and Joshua Twinkler
Cider Mill Elementary - Wilton
Instructor: Joe Pullia