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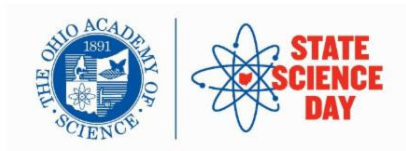
## OAS NEWSLETTER - SUMMER 2020, PART II

*Dear Members, Friends and Volunteers:*

The OAS Newsletter - Summer 2020, Part II is dedicated to all things State Science Day. This year, State Science Day celebrated it's 72nd anniversary. Approximately 800 students competed for nearly \$500,000 in sponsored scholarships and cash awards. Many thanks to our sponsors and volunteers for making this day possible. Of course, lets not forget the main attraction, Ohio's future scientists and engineers who stole the show.

Please enjoy reading more about State Science Day 2020.

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### The Ohio Academy of Science Virtual Award Ceremonies

State Science Day was held virtually this year due to COVID-19, our ceremonies were held virtually as well.

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[Governor's Thomas Edison Award](#)

[Governor's Award for Excellence in Environmental Protection Research](#)

[Ohio Tuition Trust Authority Award Ceremony Ohio's College Advantage 529 Plan](#)

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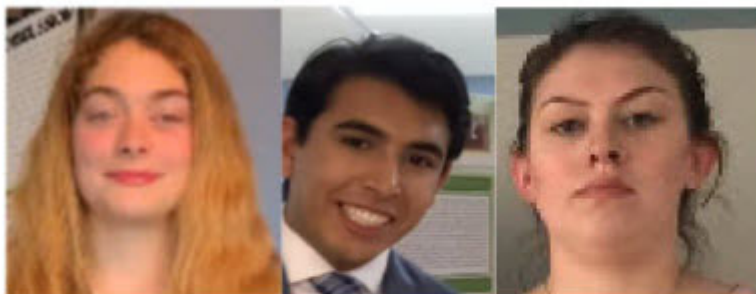
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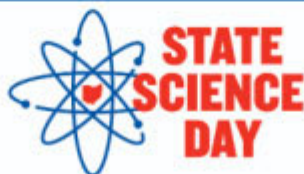
## Multi-Year State Science Day Student Awards

### Seven-Year Awardees

Aurora Fares (Canfield HS-Canfield)  
 Rohit Kataria (Wheelersburg HS-Wheelersburg)  
 Cassidy Smith (Bloom-Carroll HS)



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### Six-Year Awardees

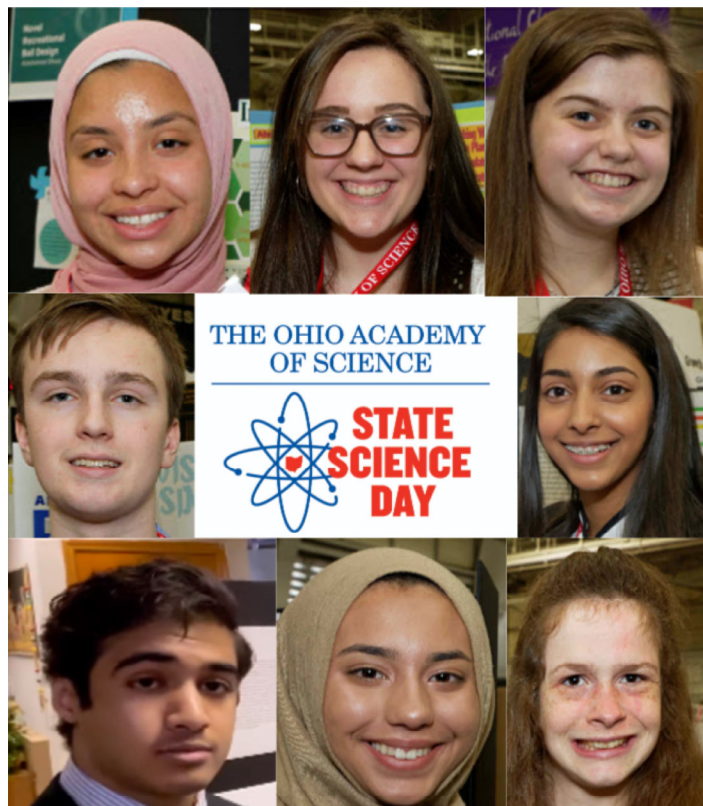
Sudarshan Chakravarthy (Beavercreek HS-Beavercreek)  
 Willow Kenneda (Williamsburg HS-Williamsburg)  
 Emily Kruse (Bloom-Carroll HS)  
 Alaina Metzler (Geneva HS-Geneva)  
 Rayanne Mustapha (The Bounty Collegium-Sylvania)  
 Sundus Mustapha (The Bounty Collegium-Sylvania)  
 Rena Ouyang (Rutherford B. Hayes HS-Delaware)  
 Mohini Parvate (Dublin Jerome HS-Dublin)  
 Shruthi Ravichandran (Hathaway Brown-Shaker Hts)  
 Elyse Reed (Ashland HS-Ashland)  
 Lisa Sebastian (Bethel HS-Tipp City)  
 Tim Stoffer (East Richland Christian Schools-St. Clairsville)

Zoe Williams (Athens HS-Athens)



### Five-Year Awardees

- Noor Abukaram (The Bounty Collegium-Sylvania)
- Synene Maria Abukaram (The Bounty Collegium-Sylvania)
- Emma Conners (East Richland Christian Schools-St. Clairsville)
- Dasha Crocker (Bellbrook HS-Bellbrook)
- Serena Kataria (Wheelersburg HS-Wheelersburg)
- Alaina Reed (Ashland HS-Ashland)
- Lohith Savardekar (Dublin Coffman HS-Dublin)
- Michael Scheeser (Hudson- HSHudson)



### Four-Year Awardees

Laalitya Acharya (William Mason HS-Mason)  
 Kevin Agnew (Carroll HS-Dayton)  
 Ainsley Beckler (Fayetteville-Perry Middle School-Fayetteville)  
 Adeline Butler (Big Walnut MS-Sunbury)  
 Charley Clyne (Zane Trace MS-Chillicothe)  
 Nicholas Cribbet (National Inventors Hall of Fame School-Akron)  
 Caroline Denny (Alliance HS-Alliance)  
 Kai Delsing (Bellbrook HS-Bellbrook)  
 Cassie Eckert (Archbishop Alter HS-Kettering)  
 Dawson Forbush (Chesapeake HS-Chesapeake)  
 Samantha Geiger (Columbia MS-Columbia Station)  
 Carsyn Hagans (Archbold HS-Archbold)  
 Alina Handte (East Richland Christian Schools-St. Clairsville)  
 Adam Khan (Stanton MS-Kent)  
 Grace Kruse (Bloom-Carroll HS-Carroll)  
 Umayna Magsi (Toledo Islamic Academy-Sylvania)  
 Jake McCarthy (Athens HS-Athens)  
 Anas Mereb (Sunrise Academy-Hilliard)  
 Sanchita Paranthaman (Williams Mason HS-Mason)  
 Emily Plageman (Bloom Carroll-Carroll)  
 Arvind Prasad (Sycamore HS-Cincinnati)  
 Julie Sebastian (Bethel MS-Tipp City)  
 John Shin (Hawken School-Chesterland)  
 Emily Swope (Bloom Carroll HS- Carroll)  
 Adriane Thompson (The Wellington School-Columbus)

Mihir Vador (Dublin Jerome HS-Dublin)  
 Wyatt Vick (Zane Trace MS-Chillicothe)  
 Viviana Wheeler (Notre Dame HS-Portsmouth)  
 Ash Williams (Greenville HS-Greenville)

## The Harold C. Shaw Outstanding School Award

Schools throughout Ohio participate in State Science Day with the goal of winning the Harold C. Shaw Outstanding School Award. The criteria is difficult to achieve and this award can be elusive for even the best science programs.

**Congratulations to each of the schools that received the Shaw Award. They include:**

Bishop Leibold E & W Campus - Dayton  
 Carroll HS - Dayton  
 Hathaway Brown - Shaker Hts  
 Hicksville HS - Hicksville  
 Hilltop HS - West Unity  
 Lincoln HS - Gahanna  
 Mason Middle School - Mason  
 Ottawa Hills Junior/Senior HS - Ottawa Hills  
 Rutherford B Hayes HS - Delaware  
 St. Columban - Loveland  
 St. Mary Immaculate Conception - Wooster  
 Sylvania Southview HS - Sylvania  
 Toledo Islamic Academy - Sylvania  
 Upper Arlington HS - Upper Arlington  
 Warsaw Elementary School - Warsaw

## The Ohio Tuition Trust Authority - College Advantage 529 Award

The Ohio Tuition Trust Authority sponsored awards at each of the 17 District Science Days and at State Science Day. These awards recognize high student achievement among elementary and middle school students.

**At State Science Day, 12 students were recognized by receiving a total of \$15,500 through College Advantage - Ohio's 529 Savings Plan. They include:**

### **\$1500 Award Winner**

Kaitlyn Wood (St Raphael - Bay Village)

**\$1000 Awardees**

Sahana Katta (Big Walnut Intermediate - Sunbury)  
 Addie Gurgiolo (Heritage MS - Westerville)  
 Lainie Anderson (East Richland Christian School - St Clairsville)  
 Allison Beagle (Home Schooled - District 15 - East Palestine)  
 Charlotte Buchholz (Terrace Park ES -Terrace Park)  
 Mary Rohde (Bishop John King Mussio Rosemont Campus - Steubenville)  
 Alfonso Tortora-Colan (New Albany Intermediate School - New Albany)  
 Noah Cenci (Russellville ES - Russellville)  
 Emma Dando (St Raphael - Bay Village)  
 William Ernst (St Michael Consolidated - Ripley)  
 Elizabeth Frantz (St Mary Immaculate Conception - Wooster)  
 Keyuri Morgan (St Mary Central - Martins Ferry)  
 Oliver Sekorky (Menlo Park Academy - Cleveland)  
 Brianna Stevens-Woolery (Warsaw ES - Warsaw)

## **Dr. Lynn E. Elfner Young Scientist Awards**

**Established in 2018, the Dr. Lynn E. Elfner Young Scientist Awards recognize students in grades 5-8 for their outstanding State Science Day achievement. These awards are sponsored by The Ohio Academy of Science.**

**Dr. Elfner (retired) is CEO Emeritus of The Ohio Academy of Science, Editor of *The Ohio Journal of Science* and OAS Board of Trustees. The Ohio Academy of Science is proud to honor Dr. Elfner's legacy with these awards that recognize and encourage scientific inquiry, now and for years to come.**

**Congratulations to each of the students.**

**Ethan Alter (Terrace Park ES - Terrace Park)  
 Tarun Batchu (Hyatts MS - Powell)  
 Mira Bechtol (Ashland MS -Ashland)  
 Nathan Canter (Valley MS - Lucasville)  
 Giancarlo Cefaratti (St Anselm - Chesterland)  
 Giuliana Cefaratti (St Anselm - Chesterland)  
 Fabi Corso (St Andrew - Columbus)  
 Caleigh Coyle (St Peter - Huber Hts)  
 Corey Davis (Chesapeake MS - Chesapeake)  
 Samuel DeVyllder (St Columban - Loveland)  
 Evelyn DiSalvo (Bloom Carroll MS - Carroll)  
 Luke Fleeman (Valley MS - Lucasville)  
 Michael Ge (Montessori Mahoning Valley - Youngstown)  
 Bethany George (St Mary Immaculate Conception - Wooster)  
 Wyatt German (Ottoville ES - Ottoville)  
 Shreyas Gorthy (Hyatts MS - Powell)  
 Hala Hinch (Toledo Islamic Academy - Sylvania)  
 Jad Hinch (Toledo Islamic Academy - Sylvania)**



**Abby Hohlbein (Ottoville ES - Ottoville)**  
**Carson Jackson (Tippecanoe MS -Tipp City)**  
**Arisha Johri (New Albany Intermediate School - New Albany)**  
**Suhaas Katta (Big Walnut Intermediate - Sunbury)**  
**Alexander Kistler (St Paul - Westerville)**  
**Joscelyn Layman (Hilltop HS - West Unity)**  
**Annie McGill (St Mary - Lancaster)**  
**Brendan McPheron (St Columban - Loveland)**  
**Sadhil Mehta (Tippecanoe MS - Tipp City)**  
**Alexis Miller (Columbia MS - Columbia Station)**  
**Matthew Muntean (Incarnate Word Academy - Parma Hts)**  
**Hayley Phillips (Madison Christian School - Groveport)**  
**Quinn Rader (Bowling Green Christian Academy - Bowling Green)**  
**Valerie Rindler (Holy Angels - Sidney)**  
**Ellen Salvucci (St Vincent de Paul - Mt Vernon)**  
**Julie Sebastian (Bethel JS - Tipp City)**  
**Grace Sheets (St Rose - New Lexington)**  
**Aviraj Soin (The Miami Valley School - Dayton)**  
**Olivia Stephens (St Mary Central - Martins Ferry)**  
**Elias Stienecker (Tippecanoe MS - Tipp City)**  
**Taylor Strilesky (Seton Catholic - Hudson)**  
**Maya Tang (Hathaway Brown - Shaker Hts)**  
**JoAnn Thompson (Warsaw ES - Warsaw)**  
**Mary Tokodi-Ruth (St Mary - Marietta)**  
**Ryland Wehr (Barnesville MS - Barnesville)**  
**Matthias Wenning (Immaculate Conception - Columbus)**  
**Maguire Werntz (Warsaw ES - Warsaw)**  
**Alex Wiseman-Esparza (Bowling Green Christian Academy - Bowling Green)**

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**Would your organization like to promote and encourage Ohio's students to further their natural curiosities toward scientific inquiry and engineering design? Please consider becoming a general sponsor, or the sponsor of an award or scholarship.**

**Ideally, this is a unique way to not only support the State Science Day students, but also to promote the science, technology, and workforce needs of your business or industry.**

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I hope you enjoyed reading about State Science Day 2020. Please mark your calendars for May 2021 for another virtual State Science Day!

Sincerely,

Michael E. Woytek  
Executive Director  
The Ohio Academy of Science

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