



# Good News

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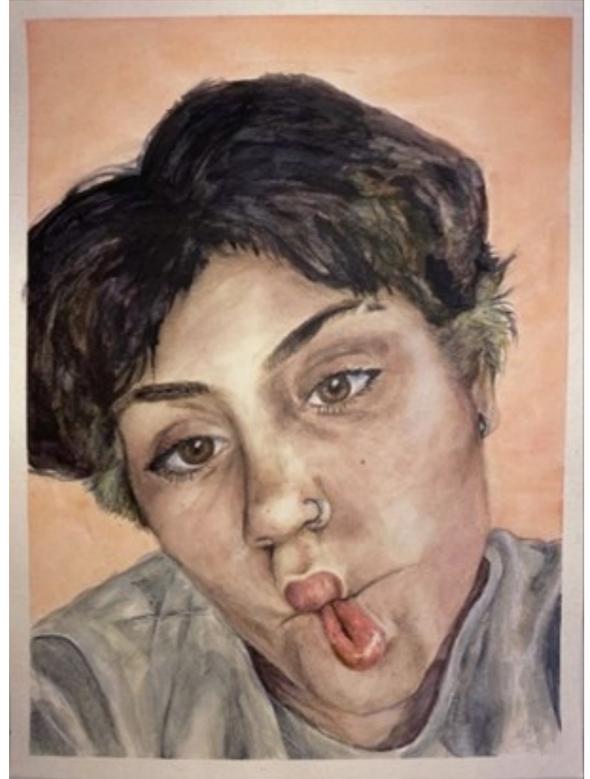
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## Watercolor Society

Coronado junior **Mabel Starkie** received a scholarship award from the Colorado Watercolor Society, an organization dedicated to upholding the highest standards and principles of art, and to promote, encourage, educate,

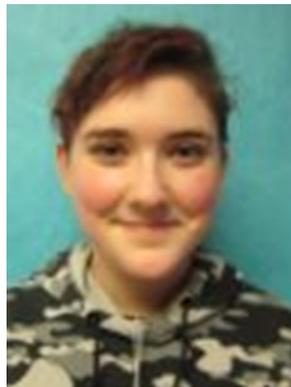


and foster an interest in fine art in all media, especially watercolor. Mabel will receive the Emerging Artist Award for her watercolor painting titled *Petra (R)*, a certificate, and cash award. Mabel's work was juried from among the Scholastic Gold Key award winners earlier this year. The jury, consisting of professional watercolor painters, selected Mabel's painting for its "voice, creative approach, and skillful handling of media."



## PTA Reflections Contest

Two Coronado High School student entries for this year's PTA Reflections Contest were both awarded SILVER honors at the State Level! They will be invited to the awards ceremony, along with other accolades which will be mailed to them. This is an amazing achievement of their creativity and heart. Coronado stood out among El Paso County High Schools!



Photography State Finalists: **Kaileigh Manson**

"Who Told You You Were Alone?"

Music Composition: **James Rosario**

"Autumn Leaves"

Thank you to Coronado's choir teacher **Mr. Hodur** and orchestra teacher **Mr. Jacobson** for helping spread the word, mentor students, and coordinate the submissions. We hope we can continue to work together to promote this program in the coming years to showcase the talents of our high school students.



## Future Problem Solvers

Congratulations to the Coronado/Palmer Future Problem Solvers senior level teams. They have qualified for the state competition to be held in April. Students are presented with a future scene and relevant topics and must problem solve as a team to determine the underlying issue and possible solutions, using a six-step process. Students who have qualified for state represent both schools. The Coronado students are **Judd Brau** (top) and **Ty Leonard**. Palmer students are Sofia Bahr, Matisse Conn-Parent, Juliette Lynn and Mikah Grey. The topic students will research and compete on at state is Personalized Medicine. Students have met throughout the year virtually and will continue to do so at the state competition. Congratulations on their efforts!





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## Coronado Alumni

Coronado Alumni **David Sanford** received the American Academy of Arts and Letters' 2021 Music Awards from Broadcast Music, Inc., honoring outstanding artistic achievement. Winners receive an additional award to record their work and have their music presented in a concert at the Academy in the spring of 2022.



Sanford completed undergraduate music studies at the University of Northern Colorado, earned a master's degree in theory and composition from the New England Conservatory of Music, and an M.F.A. and Ph.D. at Princeton University. He has won many

awards and honors, including a BMI Student Composer Award, a Koussevitzky Commission and a Guggenheim Fellowship, which enabled him to take a year off to focus exclusively on composing during graduate school.

Recently, Sanford won the Samuel Barber Rome Prize Fellowship, allowing him to stay at the American Academy in Rome for 11 months with a group of 25 to 30 scholars in other areas of the humanities.

## Spring Choir Concert



"Telephone" performed by Show Choir

Bringing Back the Music! Recorded over two days, Coronado Choir students performed for the camera and their virtual audience. D11 Channel 16 filmed the **Repertory Choir, Cantadoras, Show Choir, Chamber Choir, Shomber Choir and the Coronado Bluenotes**. How fitting that March was "Music In Our Schools Month," and Coronado was the first school to put on any kind of choir concert since the COVID shutdown 1 year ago. **Mr. Hodur** was extremely proud of these students, who for the most part (because they only met once a week) had to learn most of the music on their own remotely at home. Enjoy!

**CHS Spring Choir Concert – March 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

<https://web.microsoftstream.com/video/59de2e84-2b50-4831-8024-1b11137c9878>

## Cougars Care Spring Clothing Exchange

The **Cougars Care Board of Directors** reports our Spring Clothing Exchange on March 17 and 18 to be the most successful clothing exchange to date! Honoring principles of equity and inviting all students to shop and take what they want and need, it is becoming more and more "normalized" and a safe space for students.

Special thanks to parent volunteers **Sarah Shaeffer, Alison Hurt, Stacia Arcila and Brenda Burge** for helping to staff the event alongside our **Cougars Care** and **Mock Trial** members. Thanks for supporting our students! What a wonderful example of kindness and generosity.





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## Wrestling



Congratulations to all the wrestlers on a crazy COVID season. The Cougars competed well as a team finishing the regular season with a 13-3 Dual Record and a 3rd Place finish in a very competitive 16 team Regional. In a normal season the Cougars would have had 7 State Qualifiers.

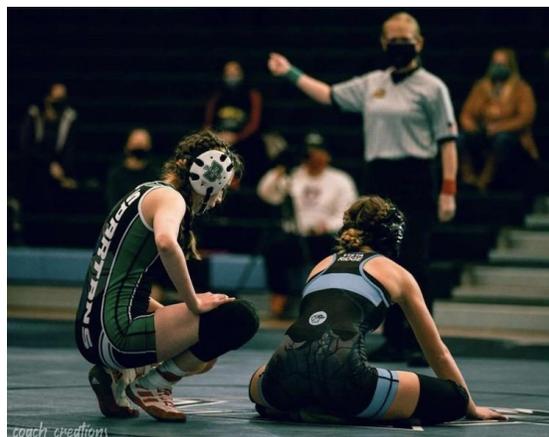
- 4th Place: **Ty Leonard** at 120.
- 3rd Place: **Say Doe Htoo** at 126, **Edward Delgado** at 145, and **Andrew Cruz** at 195.
- 2nd Place and Regional Finalist: **Candice Brickell** at 100
- Champions and State Contenders: **Ben Nagel** at 152, and **Mitchell Nowlan** at 170

Congratulations to **Candice Brickell** (R) who took home a 6<sup>th</sup> Place State Medal this year in the first official girls league that included all divisions: 2A, 3A, 4A, and 5A. We hope to get our girls team back at Coronado next year.



Congratulation to **Ben Nagel** who is a three-time State Qualifier, two-time regional champion, and a two-time state medalist. Ben took a 6th place medal at the State Tournament battling through a shoulder injury that has hurt all season. He did a great job, winning his match to get into the medal round. While being down 0-2 he chose neutral in the third period to take his opponent down and pin him to win the match.

Congratulation to our Minnesota transplant **Mitchell Nowlan**. Mitchell beat a very tough kid in the semifinals at state to reach the championship match. In the finals Mitchell was victorious and became Coronado's sixteenth Wrestling State Champion. Early in the year we bumped Mitchell up to wrestle Pueblo East's 182-pound 2x State Champion. Mitchell lost that bout 9-11. In the wrestling room the week before state he lamented the loss on his record saying, "State Champs should be undefeated." NOT TRUE! Mitchell finished the season 21-1 with a **State Title** and **20-0** record at his weight.



A special "thank you" to our faithful managers **Elle Freer** and **Ashton Wilson** for all the support they gave the team this season. And, as always, our devoted parents.