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State Board Recognizes April Student of the Month

The New Jersey State Board of Education today recognized Andrea Miltiades, a senior at West Orange High School in Essex County, as the student of the month for April 2003.

Miltiades is a very accomplished and well-rounded student. Her activities include being captain of her cross country squad, a member of the Spanish and National Honor Societies and a volunteer Sunday school teacher. She is ranked number one in her class and will attend the University of Pennsylvania in the fall.

"Andrea Miltiades is recommended for student of the month because she has been an outstanding high school student," wrote Jerry P. Tarnoff, superintendent of West Orange Public Schools, in his recommendation letter. "She has been an active student and citizen both inside and outside of school."

The State Board honored Andrea at its regular monthly meeting today in Trenton as part of its ongoing monthly program that recognizes a student or group of students for accomplishments in community service, the arts, academics and sports.

"The State Board of Education is proud to recognize Andrea as an exemplary student who has achieved much in her high school career," Board President Maud Dahme said. "We are quite impressed by her plans to attend the University of Pennsylvania and to further enhance her education. We are certain she will become one of tomorrow's leaders."

"The state Department of Education is proud to join the State Board in honoring this impressive young woman," Commissioner of Education William L. Librera said. "We are impressed with the balance of Andrea's endeavors. Her volunteer work outside of school and her dedication in school are both to be commended."

Andrea is her school's vice president for the Spanish Honor Society. She is also a member of the varsity track and field team. She is also involved in the New Jersey Science League.

In 2002, Andrea was honored as a New Jersey Governor's School in the Sciences Scholar and a National Merit Commended Scholar. She was also named an Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholar and a Cornell Book Award recipient.

For her running exploits, Andrea was named first-team, all-conference and first-team, all-area this past fall.

For the last three years, Andrea has volunteered at the Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation. She is also a president of the Greek Orthodox Youth of America and is captain of her church volleyball team.