

Windham-Ashland-Jewett Central School District is proud to announce the Valedictorian and Salutatorian for the Class of 2020. The Valedictorian is Victoria Shuster, daughter of Drew and Natasha Shuster, and the Salutatorian is Kimberly Gonzalez, daughter of Karl and Gabrielle Gonzalez.



During her high school career, Victoria has been a member of the National Honor Society and held positions of leadership in that organization including President, Vice President and Treasurer. Victoria has also been a member of the Student Council and a Class Officer working with the administration to advocate for the student body as well as working with her peers to plan fundraisers and assemblies to benefit the school.

Victoria has been an active athlete for WAJ, participating in Freestyle Ski, Alpine Ski, Cross Country, Track and Field, and Cheerleading. Further, Victoria has participated in numerous extracurricular events including Mock Trial, Jazz Band, Outdoor Club, and Science Club. Her work ethic extends to the family business, where Victoria serves as a waitress on weekends and school breaks.

She is no stranger to altruistic endeavors, volunteering locally and around the world. Victoria devotes her spare time working with the Adaptive Sports Foundation and the Jewett Food Pantry. In 2018, Victoria volunteered at the Children's Education and War Conservation in Fiji, teaching children English and building rainwater catchment systems.

In the fall, Victoria will attend Middlebury College, a private liberal arts college in Middlebury, Vermont.



Kimberly Gonzalez is a driving force of positivity within her school and a mentor for her peers and younger students. Kim has led by example and has been devoted to pursuing her goals, while also working to help those around her. She has held the office of Historian for the National Honor Society as well as Assembly Chair for the Student Council.

Additionally, Kim's dedication is shown through her active participation in extracurricular activities such as Mock Trial, Outdoor Club, Jazz Band, and Acapella Club. Kimberly's talents as an athlete are demonstrated as a member of the Varsity Soccer team, Track and Field, and Cheerleading. Kimberly was awarded the Joe Beck Scholarship in February for high academic achievement, athletic participation, and civic-minded involvement.

Throughout high school, Kimberly has worked at the Club at Windham Mountain Resort in childcare. She has also been active in her community, volunteering at the Adaptive Sports Foundation, the Windham Chamber of Commerce, the Hope Restoration Church and Sugar Maples Art Camp.

Kimberly will pursue a degree in Biochemistry this fall at Siena College, a private Franciscan liberal arts college in Loudonville, New York.