



## **Grosse Pointe South Pointes of Pride Student Highlights from the 2022-2023 School Year**

### **US World News**

- #9 School in the state and #475 in the Country. If you exclude the magnet and International Academies, we are the #7 traditional public school in the state.

### **Brightest & Best**

- Ava Carr was honored with WXYZ-TV's Brightest & Best.

### **NICHE.com**

- Best Public High School Teachers in America #:140 of 19,714
- Best High Schools for Athletics in America #309 of 25,861
- Best Public High School in America #583 of 20,032
- Best College Prep Public High School in America #818 of 17,064

### **GPEA**

- Harry Campion was announced Teacher of the Year by GPEA

South High – 2021-2022 “Evergreen Level Award” designation as a Michigan Green School

### **Focus Hope: Generation of Promise**

- L. Petz and S. Porter Class of 2024 completed this Leadership program. Students met monthly at Focus Hope to discuss social justice issues and focus on youth leadership.

### **Class of 2023**

- Students in the Senior Class Council worked over the last four years to fundraise and give back to our school. They were able to fund 21 grant requests, most of which were funded in full.

### **TV Production**

- DAFT Michigan Educator of the Year - Congratulations to Steve Geresy on being named Digital Arts, Film, and Television teacher of the year.
- South received several awards from the MIPA competition.
- GPTV News received an Honorable Mention for our daily newscast.
- Student received a first place award for her on-air talent as anchor.
- Student received a second place for his live sports announcing during GPTV Sports coverage of the Varsity Boy7's Basketball game against Notre Dame Prep.
- Video Club received an Honorable Mention for their short film called “Anyways”
- Student's received Honorable Mention for the promotional commercial about Career and Technical Education.
- The advanced TV Production class received an Honorable Mention for the GPS Freshman Course Selection video.

#### Quiz Bowl:

- GPS placed 2nd overall in the MAC.
- Mock Trial team received an honorable mention at the regional tournament.
- Grosse Pointe South placed 6th in States. Joshua Koch earned a spot as a First Team All-State Quiz Bowler..

#### The Tower:

- The Tower Newspaper won a Spartan award from MIPA, the highest honor awarded to student media in the state. The Tower Pulse won a Gold rating from MIPA. The Tower Newspaper won a Silver Crown from the CSPA.
- Margot Murphy received an All-MIPA recognition award from MIPA for photography.
- Grace Wininger received a special student recognition from MIPA.
- Twelve seniors were recognized by the NSPA honor roll for leadership. The Tower received over 65 individual awards from MIPA in areas of writing, design, and photography.
- Journalism teacher was a recipient of the Golden Pen Award. It is the highest award bestowed on a student media advisor by the Michigan Interscholastic Press Association.

#### DECA:

- Paul Kaminski earned coveted "DECA Glass" for International Career Development Conference

#### National Merit:

- 3 National Merit Scholarship Finalists
- AP Scholars - 72 ( Granted to students with scores of three or higher on three or more exams).
- AP Scholars with Honors - 31 (Granted to students with an average score of at least 3.25 on all AP exams with scores of 3 or higher on 4 or more exams).
- AP Scholar with Distinction - 67 (Granted to students with an average score of at least 4.04 on all AP exams with scores of three or higher on five or more exams).

#### National German Exam:

- Gold Medalists - Lucas Bower, Jonah Bukovec and Isabelle Haindl
- Silver Medalists - Ian Davis
- Bronze Medalists - Elena Martin, Elise (Mari) Mueller, Robbie Peabody, Niko Tecos and Meryn Vick
- Achievements Awards - Liliith Barbieri, Jackson Brown, Alex Cline, Adaleigh Hall, Cash Livingston, Ella Smith, Brigid Williams, Lorelei Wohlfarth, Mason Zentz

#### Art Awards:

- Student artworks displayed in the Wayne County High School Art Exhibition at the DIA
- ArtFest participants received generous monetary awards from alumni and local businesses
- Collaboration with The Dali Museum in St. Petersburg, Florida to create a surrealist mural.
- Student artwork displayed in the War Memorial's *Listen To Women* art show
- NAHS Holiday Window Painting and student-run, community art workshops

#### Band/Orchestra

- Symphony Orchestra MSBOA Band & Orchestra Festival First Division Superior Rating
- Concert Orchestra MSBOA Band & Orchestra Festival Second Division Excellent Rating
- Lillianna Wodzisz, MSBOA All-State Orchestra
- Balfour String Quartet 1st Place, MASTA Chamber Music Competition. Lillianna Wodzisz, Joseph Stapleton, Ben Graham, Daniel Gross
- Jazz Band awarded 1st, 2nd & 3rd place for best band, best section and outstanding soloist in class AA, A, B, C and D. in Class AA at Central Michigan University Jazz Weekend. Outstanding drummer is Matthew Chalut selected for class AA.

#### Choir:

- Rhapsody in Blue, South's new concert choir, earned a 1st division rating for its superior performance at the State Solo & Ensemble Festival.
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- Many South soloists achieved high marks for their solos, including Mae Mathis Baliatico, Selga Jansons, Dylan DeMarco, and Gabriella Kish-Salkovski.
- Junior Dylan DeMarco was selected by the judges to be one of only 12 students to participate in the State Finals in May at the MSVMA Recital of Outstanding Soloists at Michigan State University in East Lansing.
- The Pointe Singers competed at Walsh Jesuit Great Lakes Invitational in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.
- The Pointe Singers were awarded the Grand Champion Win, Best Vocals, and Best Choreography.
- Senior Lillian Hunwick was awarded the top soloist in the soloist competition.
- The Top Performer for Pointe Singers was senior Spencer Yonkus.
- Serendipity competed at Walsh Jesuit Great Lakes Invitational in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.
- The Top Performer for Serendipity was Sophomore Alex Carter.
- Serendipity competed at Solon Show Choir Invitational in Solon, Ohio.
- Grosse Pointe Choirs were awarded the Best Crew for Pointe Singers,
- Senior Nolan Eszes was awarded Overall Best Male Performer.
- Pointe Singers Best Performer was Senior Hannah Gunnell
- Serendipity Best Performer was Sophomore Alexander Cline.

#### Pointe Players

- Four students who have been nominated for outstanding lead actor/actress for their performance in Mamma Mia. Our show was adjudicated by the Sutton ;Foster awards, which is the biggest professional judging organization in the state.

## **Grosse Pointe South Athletics 2022-2023 School Year**

### **Fall Sports**

#### Varsity Football:

- Record 6-4
- 1st place MAC White
- 5th straight year MAV White Champions
- MAC White Division Awards 1st Team
  - Egan Sullivan
  - Anthony Benard
  - Peter Ulku
  - C.J. Schervish
  - Donovan Moody
  - Lex Willson
  - Joey Labadie

**Team GPA: 3.632**

Varsity Boys Soccer:

- Record 5-13-0
- Blue Devil Spirit: Sam Morandini
- Best Defense: Franco Loria
- MVP: Spero Litas

**TEAM GPA: 3.463**

Boys Tennis:

- Record: 5-4-1
- MAC Red Co-Champs
- Regional Champs
- 8th in the State
- All State 1st team:
  - Singles Connor Stafford, Corbin Ifkovits
  - All Conference
    - Connor Stafford, Corbin Ifkovits,
    - Sam White, Mikey Kornmeier

**TEAM GPA: 3.76**

Girls Volleyball:

- Record League: 8-2
- Record Overall: 23-8
- MAC White Champs
- District Champs
- Regional Semi Finalist
- Team Award ALL-STATE ACADEMIC
- MAC WHITE ALL- CONFERENCE PLAYERS: Gabby Divita, Anna Meads, Lilah Supino, HM: Ally Edwards
- ALL-REGION PLAYERS: Gabby Divita, Anna Meads
- ALL-STATE INDIVIDUAL ACADEMIC: Anna Meads, Quinn Gorski, Mary Clare Hessburg

**TEAM GPA: 3.927**

Girls Swimming / Dive

- Record Overall: 15-1
- Record Division: 7-0
- MAC RED CHAMPS and DUAL MEET
- 2nd place in Wayne County Meet
- 5th in the State

**TEAM GPA: 3.921**

Girls Cross Country:

- Record Overall: 6-2
- Record Division 5-2 MAC RED
- 5th place MHSAA Regional
- State Finalist: Savannah Spangler

**TEAM GPA: 3.979**

#### Boys Cross Country:

- Record Overall: 6-9
- Record Division: 5-9
- 4th in the League
- Logan Detweiler
  - Missed school record by 6 seconds
  - 2nd fastest in South History

**TEAM GPA: 3.647**

#### Field Hockey:

- Record Overall: 5-11-4
- Quarterfinalist
- All Academic Team Award
  
- All Conference Team
  - Addison O'Keefe & Sara Johnson

**TEAM GPA: 4.03**

#### Dance:

- 1st place in Hip Hop
- 3rd place in Jazz
- 3rd place in pom

**TEAM GPA: 3.952**

#### Golf:

- Record: 7-1 MAC RED
- MAC RED CHAMPS
- 3rd Ranked Team in Division #2
- Top 5 at State Tournament
- MAC RED MVP / MAC RED Tournament Medalist Lyla Hampton
- 1st Team ALL MAC Cate Hampton, Tenley Stiyer and Charlotte Peabody

**TEAM GPA: 3.451**

### Winter Sports

#### Boys Basketball:

- Record Overall: 21-5
- League Standing MAC RED CHAMPS
- Won 1st District Since 1992
- Anthony Benard
  - ALL-Time Leading Scorer with 1464 points
  - ALL-Time Leader 3-pointers made-Career (19-23) 189
  - ALL-Time Leader 3-pointers made-Season (19-20) 60
  - ALL-Time Leader in Assists-Career (19-23) 296
  - ALL-Time Leader in Steals-Career (19-23) 229
  - ALL-Time Leader in Varsity Games Played (19-23) 83

**TEAM GPA: 3.423**

#### Boys Swim:

- Record Overall: 12-1
- 1st place MAC RED
- 4th in the State
- 25th year as MAC RED DUAL & MEET CHAMPIONS
- 2nd place in Wayne County Meet

**TEAM GPA: 3.596**

#### Wrestling:

- Record Overall: 5-1
- 2nd place in League
- Norsemen Classic Champions 1st Place
- MAC Gold Tournament Champions 1st Place
- MAC Blue, Gold, Silver Tournament 2nd place Overall
- Wyatt Hepner 2023 State Finalist Div. 1

**TEAM GPA: 3.37**

#### Boys Ice Hockey:

- Record Overall: 14-8-2
- 2nd place South Division

**TEAM GPA: 3.25**

#### Girls Ice Hockey:

- Record Overall: 18-7-1
- 2nd place in the league
- Made it to the State Championships Game
- 1st Team All State
  - Rosie Smith and Gia Cavaliever

**TEAM GPA: 3.47**

#### Gymnastics

- Record Overall: 6-2 Dual Meets
- Record Division: 6-0 Great Lakes League Meets
- 1st place at Fraser Invite
- League Season Champions
- 4 Individual gymnastics earning All-Region Honors
- 4 gymnasts qualifying for Individual States

**TEAM GPA: 4.028**

#### Competitive Cheer

- MAC Blue 4th place
- MAC Crossover 3rd place
- Districts placed 10th

**TEAM GPA: 3.55**

## Spring Sports

### Girls Track & Field

- Division Record 4-1
- League MAC Red Co-Champs
- Four Invitationals 3rd, 2nd, 1st and 1st
- State regional runner-up
- MAC sportsmanship award
- Team (73) GPA 3.891

**TEAM GPA: 3.891**

### Boys Track & Field

- Division Record 5-0
- League MAC Red Champs
- 1st place, Dual Meet Champs
- Beating Dakota first time in History
- Regional Championship

**TEAM GPA: 3.49**

### Girls Softball

- Overall Record 23-14-1
- ALL STATE Academic Team 10th year in a row
- Won 2 Round Robin Tournaments
- Tied for 2nd place in League
- MAC 1st Team Addie Waller, Lucy Gabel

**TEAM GPA: 3.66**

### Girls Tennis

- League Standing 4th place
- Overall Record 13-10-3
- 10th in the State
- Won Regionals
- Academic ALL-STATE Award
- First Team ALL-STATE Olivia Koval, Megan Kornmeirer & Kaitlyn Strong

**TEAM GPA: 3.908**

### Girls Soccer

- Overall Record: 9-6-3
- Division Record: 6-4-2
- League Standing 3rd place
- All Academic Award

**TEAM GPA: 3.8**

#### Girls Lacrosse

- Overall Record: 9-7-1
- Beat North 3 times
- 70+ girls in the program
- 2nd Team ALL-STATE Offensive Lily Petz
- 2nd Team ALL-STATE Goalie Ava Oskui

**TEAM GPA: 3.877**

#### Girls Crew:

- National Champion
- 2nd Place Midwest Championship

**TEAM GPA: 3.36**

#### Boys Crew:

- 1st place Midwest Championship
- 2nd place Midwest Championship

**TEAM GPA: 3.36**

#### Boys Lacrosse:

- Overall Record: 15-5
- Regular Season 13-4
- MAC Tournament Champions
- Regional Finalists
- Tied for 1st place in MAC
- MAC RED Champs

**TEAM GPA: 3.395**

#### Boys Golf:

- Overall Record 7-1
- 6th place overall in the State of Michigan
- 1st place League Standings

**TEAM GPA: 3.661**

#### Boys Baseball:

- Overall Record 27-15-1
- League Standing 8-6-1
- District & Regional Champions

**TEAM GPA: 3.713**