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## **NJ Center for Tourette Syndrome Announces 2015 Youth Scholarship Award Winners**

*16 Students with TS throughout New Jersey are recognized for their achievements*

NJ Center for Tourette Syndrome & Associated Disorders (NJCTS) is proud to announce the 2015 recipients of the annual Youth Scholarship Award. This year, NJCTS awarded two first-place winners. Each student was selected for his or her academic achievement, community service, and accomplishments as an individual with Tourette Syndrome—an inherited, misunderstood, misdiagnosed neurological disorder that affects 1 in 100 school-age children.

Since 2001, the NJCTS Youth Scholarship Award has been awarded to more than 200 outstanding high school seniors in the state of New Jersey who have excelled in their schools, communities, and lives—representing themselves as excellent advocates for Tourette Syndrome.

This year's NJCTS Youth Scholarship Award winners are:

- Margaret Esposito of Whippany, First place
- Jacob Frankenthaler of Haddonfield, First place
- Julia Bisirri of Marlton, finalist
- Emily Brenner of Basking Ridge, finalist
- Halley Faber of Egg Harbor Township, finalist
- Eric Fuentes of Linwood, finalist
- Maro Gamboa of Ringwood, finalist
- Jordan Kean of Fair Haven, finalist
- Nolan Kelly of Lyndhurst, finalist
- Michael Lapolla of Westfield, finalist
- Sanjit Singh of Plainsboro, finalist
- Nyameke Smith of Paterson, finalist
- Jordan Stimmell of Edison, finalist
- Bryan Walkley of Perrineville, finalist
- Meghan Ward of Ocean, finalist
- Alec Wolf of Short Hills, finalist

"On behalf of the NJCTS Youth Scholarship Award Committee, I congratulate each applicant for their extraordinary work and wish them the best as they pursue higher education upon graduation from high school," said NJCTS Executive Director Faith W. Rice. "We in the Tourette Syndrome Community take great pride in being able to recognize these students who have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement, community service, and extracurricular accomplishments."

To learn more about the NJCTS Youth Scholarship winners from 2015 and years past, please visit [www.njcts.org](http://www.njcts.org).

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