

New Jersey High School 2009 Japanese Language Study Awards

With the growing interaction and understanding of Asian and Western cultures, many high schools now offer Asian language courses, one of which is Japanese. These students are models for future generations. They strive to succeed in their language studies to become future “diplomats” between Japan and the United States. The following students are saluted for their academic endeavors and achievements in their high schools. Seton Hall’s Japanese Program appreciates the high school teachers, principals and the community, as well as the many sponsors, for providing a wonderful opportunity for recognition.

Student	School	Teacher	Principal
8th Grade Japanese			
Alina Razak	William Annin Middle School	William Paris	Karen Hudock
Aneesh Vaidya	William Annin Middle School	William Paris	Karen Hudock
Second Year			
Melvin Betancourt	New Brunswick High School	Yoko Sugimura	David Aderhold
Laura David	Columbia High School	Loretta Graziano	Lovie Lilly
Kristen Ferriero	Pope John XXIII High School	Michael Cibenko	Kieran McHugh
Alexander Hassanein	Kearny High School	Seth Davis	Al Somma
Reyes G. M. Julissa	New Brunswick High School	Yoko Sugimura	David Aderhold
Alyssa Sardone	Rutgers Preparatory School	Valerie Minakawa	Stephen Duffy
Rowena Tang	Kearny High School	Seth Davis	Al Somma
Jasmine Teng	Columbia High School	Loretta Graziano	Lovie Lilly
Rebecca Townsend	Pope John XXIII High School	Michael Cibenko	Kieran McHugh
Third Year			
Laurie Hageman	Northern Valley Old Tappan High School	Yoko Fukuda	Fred Hessler
Matthew Hellenbrecht	Cranford High School	Catherine Fisco	Carol Grossi
Hyun Cho Kim	Northern Valley Regional High School	Kei Sakayama	Bruce Sabatini
Jessica Lange	Southern Regional High School	Thomas Garneau	Eric Wilhelm
Keonho Lee	Northern Valley Old Tappan High School	Yoko Fukuda	Fred Hessler
Greg Martinelli	New Providence High School	Michael Mitchell	Paul Casarico

Connie Ngo	High Tech High School	Akemi Dobkin	Karol Brancato
Emma Peterson	New Providence High School	Michael Mitchell	Paul Casarico
Ayal Pierce	Northern Valley Regional High School	Kei Sakayama	Bruce Sabatini
Taylor Rattray	Cranford High School	Catherine Fisco	Carol Grossi
Joseph Totaro	Southern Regional High School	Thomas Garneau	Eric Wilhelm
Katherine Tuazon	Rutgers Preparatory School	Valerie Minakawa	Stephen Duffy
Kousuke Yasumura	Tenafly High School	Chizu Asai	Dora P. Kontogiannis

Fourth Year

Christopher Bowers	Ridge High School	William Paris	Frank Howlett
Elizabeth Lai-San Ho	High Tech High School	Akemi Dobkin	Karol Brancato
Danielle Longo	Ridge High School	William Paris	Frank Howlett
SeWong Min	Tenafly High School	Chizu Asai	Dora P. Kontogiannis