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Sun East Recognizes Local Students and Teachers with Service Awards



*(l to r) "People Helping People" award recipients
Tolani Olaniyi, Steven Anderson, and Lindsay Salladino*

Aston, PA – July 11, 2024 - Sun East Federal Credit Union annually recognizes several local students in the community who embody the organization's philosophy of "People Helping People." The recipients are selected from schools that are Select Employee Groups (SEGS) with Sun East, and who've made a positive impact through their volunteerism within the last year. Sun East is proud to announce the 2024 recipients – each received a certificate of service and a monetary award.

HIGH SCHOOL RECIPIENTS

Boubacar Coulibaly, Chichester High School
Jackson Russell, Springfield High School
Noah Topmiller, Oxford Area High School
Johnnie Martin, The Christian Academy
Lindsay Salladino, Garnet Valley High School
Avery Landis, Sun Valley High School

COLLEGE STUDENTS

Tolani Olaniyi, Holy Family University
Katela Villasenor, Neumann University

SUN EAST FEDERAL CREDIT UNION MEMBER AWARD

Steven Anderson, Wilmington Christian School
James Chase Kemm, Devon Preparatory School

SUN EAST FEDERAL CREDIT UNION EMPLOYEE AWARD

Madalyn Parsons, Oxford Area High School

EDUCATIONAL AWARD*

Valentina Yurchenko, Delaware County Literacy Council

**Recognizing adult literacy programs*

“I am so honored to recognize these amazing individuals for all they do in their communities. The People Helping People award is one of the many ways Sun East demonstrates our purpose-driven mission, and I look forward to acknowledging these recipients each year,” said Terri Lannon, the Senior Director of Corporate Responsibility for Sun East.

Sun East Federal Credit Union “Best Teacher Under the Sun” Award

Each year Sun East also awards local educators who consistently foster an empowering learning environment for their students. The *Best Teacher Under the Sun* award recognizes the outstanding achievements of teachers who – through their innovative and nurturing programs - inspire students to challenge themselves beyond the norm and recognize their capabilities.

The award application is open to all educators who teach in schools that are part of the credit union’s SEG program. School administrators, faculty, parents, and students can nominate teachers. The awards committee at Sun East selects one winning teacher from each category of elementary, middle, and high school levels. Recipients receive \$500, and their respective school also receives a \$500 contribution.

Congratulations to the 2024 award winners:

Kate Furia, Pennell Elementary School

Sarah Damato, Springfield High School

To date, Sun East has distributed more than \$245,000 in student and teacher awards since 2003. For more information or to apply for the 2025 awards, go to: <https://suneast.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/People-Helping-People-Education-Award-for-Members.pdf>.

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