

St. Raphael School Virtually Shines

By Tiffany Murphy

On March 16, online education began for St. Raphael School and Nursery School. Working together, the teachers, parents, and students embarked on a new virtual education adventure. With Facebook birthday announcements, video shout-outs of each of the graduating eighth graders, virtual

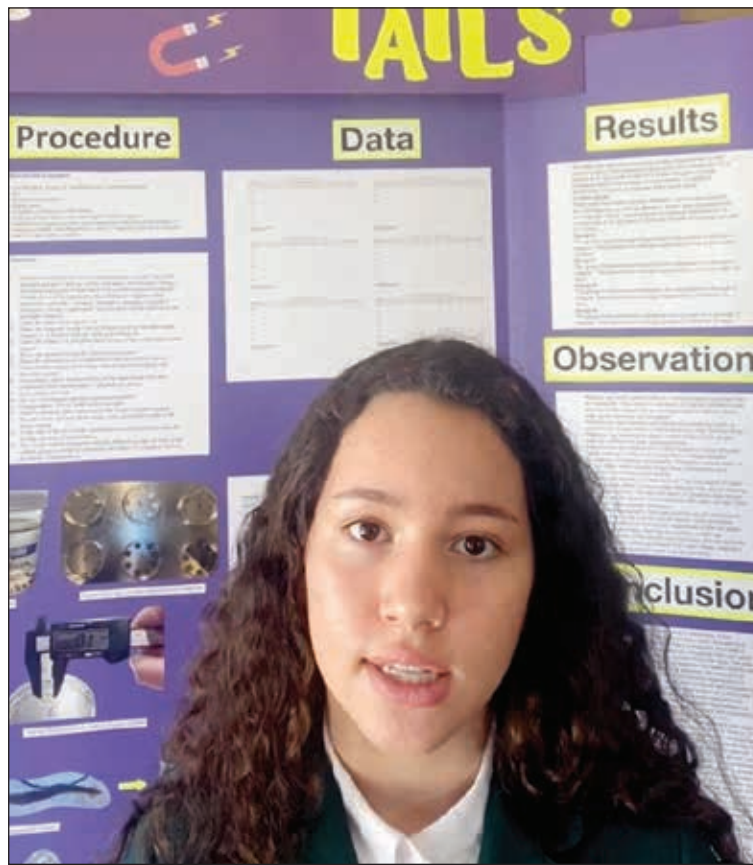
homework assignments, class Zoom calls, Looms from teachers, and the preschool bedtime book club from Mrs. Beall, St. Raphael's continues to shine – and keep everyone connected – through the campus shutdown.

On April 29, during this unprecedented time, St. Raphael School's Science Fair went virtual. Middle-school students videotaped their presentations, which they had been

working on since the beginning of the school year, and the projects were evaluated by a panel of judges. This year, SRS had two honorable mentions and, for the first time, a tie for third place. Honorable Mention: Luke Malanoski and Annalea Vigilante; Third Place (tie): Andrew Partridge and Amanda Ramos; Second Place: Kate Gregory; First Place: Nina Navabi (two consecutive years).

On May 2, St. Raphael's grads-to-be were surprised by a knock at the door to find celebratory signs adorning their front lawns. Special thanks to the Class of 2017 for being our delivery team! The eighth graders will be spreading their wings soon, and SRS couldn't be prouder of the Class of 2020.

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At far left, Eighth-grader Victor Cardillo proudly displays his new SRS Class of 2020 sign. All of the grads-to-be received the surprise in their yards to celebrate the milestone. Photo by Nina Cardillo

At left, Nina Navabi, first-place winner of the SRS Science Fair for two consecutive years, presents her yearlong project, where she studied whether the regeneration speed of planaria increased when exposed to a magnetic field.

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Congratulations, Class of 2020!



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| Alessandra Aguila Academy of the Holy Cross | Declan Healy Georgetown Preparatory School |
| Brendan Beane Gonzaga College H.S. | Kaitlyn Hite Academy of the Holy Cross |
| Victor Cardillo DeMatha Catholic H.S. | Luke Malanoski Gonzaga College H.S. |
| Noah Carrasco Undecided | Olivia Malone Walter Johnson H.S. |
| Emma Christakis Academy of the Holy Cross | Emily Martinez-Olivares Richard Montgomery H.S. |
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| Lauren Everling Winston Churchill H.S. | Denise Mendez Academy of the Holy Cross |
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