



BROOKWOOD HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS FIRST BROOKWOOD UPSTANDER CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

School acknowledges the extraordinary service of Joe and Angela Calicchio and their part in securing more than \$70,000 in grants from 3M Corporation for the Brookwood Science Department.

Snellville, GA (FALL 2018) – Parents Joe and Angela Calicchio have supported Brookwood High School for nearly 10 years – even beyond the time their children attended the school. Their passions for community and science have resulted in a well-equipped science department at Brookwood and many happy memories.

Most notably, Joe Calicchio, who is a supervisor and HR field generalist at global science company 3M Corporation, helped to facilitate successful submissions for grants from Brookwood's Science Department, resulting in a total of more than \$50,000. In early spring 2017, 3M awarded science teacher Carrie Settles Livers a \$35,000 grant to fund an in-school aquaponics lab, which combines STEM education with outdoor learning and community outreach. A few months later, science teacher Joe Cox announced plans to upgrade equipment in Brookwood's physics classrooms, thanks to 3M's \$16,000 grant to purchase Bluetooth-enabled electronic data collection probes, software, and 20 laptop computers for hands-on investigations.

The Calicchios' dedication as active volunteers has helped Brookwood improve its science facilities and maintain a robust Science Olympiad program, which has held the state championship title for the past 10 years. The couple has also contributed greatly to the Brookwood's award-winning Marching Band program. Although all of the Calicchio children have already graduated Brookwood High School, Joe and Angela continue to support to the school's curricular and extracurricular programs.

The Calicchios received the first Brookwood Upstander Citizen of the Year Award on May 7, 2018, during Senior Honors Night. For more about the Brookwood Upstander program, visit www.BrookwoodUpstander.com.