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LPHS student wins District 12 Congressional Art Competition, drawing to be displayed at U.S. Capitol

LPHS students placed in four of the top five spots in regional art competition

LINCOLN PARK, Mich. – A drawing by **Lincoln Park High School** senior **Iris Chandler** won the **2019 District 12 Congressional Art Competition** and will be on display in the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C., for the next year. In total, four LPHS students placed in the competition including seniors **Emily Vargas** (second), **Jonathan Samano** (fourth) and **Carina Barajas** (fifth).

“This recognition is the result of our students’ hard work, commitment and creativity and we are so proud to see them honored in a competition among their peers from across the region,” said **Kim Sisk**, a Lincoln Park High School art teacher. “What an honor to see our students’ art on display for the next year at the U.S. Capitol and in Rep. Debbie Dingell’s office.”

The Congressional Art Competition is a nationwide annual event that allows high school students from all 50 states, the District of Columbia and U.S. territories to showcase their talent and creativity. Entries are limited to two-dimensional pieces, including paintings and drawings.

The winning artwork from each congressional district is displayed in an 11-month exhibit in the U.S. Capitol. Second- and third-place submissions will be displayed in Rep. Dingell’s Dearborn office for the next year.

“Our entire community is swelling with pride to have the artwork of two Lincoln Park High School students displayed in Washington, D.C., and Rep. Dingell’s office in Dearborn for the next year,” said **Terry Dangerfield**, Lincoln Park Public Schools superintendent. “Our students had an amazing showing at this year’s Congressional Art Competition. Having four of our students place in the top five spots is outstanding and speaks to the quality of our arts programs at LPHS.”

The work of 14 artists from the LPHS class of 2019 will be on display at the annual Senior Art Show hosted at The Downriver Council for the Arts in Wyandotte. The exhibition runs through May 18 and is free and open to the public.



From left to right: Iris Chandler, Kim Sisk and Rep. Debbie Dingell



From left to right: Jonathan Samano, Iris Chandler, Emily Vargas and Kim Fisk

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