



GREATER OMAHA COUNCIL BLUFFS AREA COUNCIL ON YOUTH LEADERSHIP

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"YOUTH SALUTE"



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2022 Youth Salute

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This year, 200 high school youth leaders representing 78 schools in the metro area were recognized at this year's "Youth Salute" Awards Virtual Ceremony hosted by Nebraska Wesleyan University.

A "Top Youth Leader" was named from each high school. Awards were provided to two "Youth Leaders of the Year" and Four "Top Youth Leaders" as National Youth Salute Ambassadors and were awarded the Online National Leadership Conference. Participating Universities/Colleges provided the opportunity for students to be awarded up to \$988,000 in scholarships and other awards. This year, Bellevue University, Nebraska Wesleyan University and Clarkson College, University of Nebraska-Lincoln and University of Nebraska-Omaha provided scholarships. Corporate sponsor was Arnold Clark Photography. Debbie DeBolt Senior Key Account Manager, Corporate Learning Solutions Bellevue University, Leadership Omaha Graduate and Youth Salute Board Member and Bill Motzer Vice President for Enrollment Nebraska Wesleyan University, 2021 Host University Sponsor and Youth Salute Board Member were the Masters of Ceremony for the award presentations. Ryan Avery was the Leadership Youth guest speaker. Ryan Avery is one of the Millennial generation's most profound speakers on generational leadership and strategic communication. At age 25, Ryan became the youngest World Champion of Public Speaking in history, competing against more than 30,000 contestants from 116 countries to claim the 2012 World Championship for Toastmasters International.

The Greater Omaha-Council Bluffs Area Council on Youth Leadership was formed in 2018 to conduct the "Youth Salute" in nearby counties in cooperation with the National Council on Youth Leadership, a non-profit organization. Teachers, guidance counselors and principals nominate students to apply to attend the Youth Salute" event. In order to qualify, the student had to be a junior (senior class of 2022), have a 3.0 G.P.A. or greater and have held at least two (2) leadership roles to which they were chosen by their peers or an adult leader within the past two years in school, religious or community sponsored organizations.

Arnold Clark Photography in Omaha photographed each student nominated. Each student will be featured on a banner and displayed at their high school. *

Applications for the upcoming 2022-2023 Youth Salute event will be accepted beginning in November. To apply or for additional information, visit www.greateromaha.youthsalute.com/ or call #402-733-1333.

* Participation varies in each school