



## Caitlin '22

Senior  
Cipriano Family

Caitlin was entering Pingry in ninth grade when a future classmate gave her a warning: the transition would be tough, and she should prepare to receive all B's.

Maybe Caitlin took it as a challenge, not a warning, because four years later there isn't one B to be found.

Caitlin's college counselor says this determination and grit are what make her an exceptional student and athlete. "Always up for a challenge, she is organized, focused, and extremely passionate about everything she does," her counselor says.

That could be why, after three years on the junior varsity soccer team, Caitlin rose to the occasion when the varsity coach suggested she switch to playing goalie. She became the starter on varsity as a senior and exceeded everyone's expectations, including her own. In basketball, she was a four-year starter on varsity while also playing on a competitive AAU team.

As a student, Caitlin "enjoys the challenge of mastering a difficult subject," her Honors Physics teacher says. Caitlin's favorite class at Pingry was an honors biology course called "Mechanisms of Cancer," a class known for challenging problem sets and high-level analysis. What she likes about science, she says, is, "I want to see my work immediately benefit someone else."

It was that philosophy that led her to become an EMT. First, she had to complete driver's ed on her own so she had room to take the Emergency Medical Responder class. Then she passed the EMT course and certification exam and joined the local rescue squad. Serving on the rescue squad has solidified Caitlin's interest in medicine, something she plans to study in college.

"The award recognizes students who demonstrate academic excellence and dedication to extracurricular activities. They provide the opportunity to recognize students who have achieved outstanding academic, athletic and leadership skills during their time at Pingry. Congratulations to all who were nominated for this award."

DR. KATHY WINTERBURN, DIRECTOR OF PARENTS' CHOICE



## Tyler '22

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Tyler is a quiet leader. He listens and observes, sees what needs to get done, and then jumps right in to take care of the task at hand.

Often, that jumping is into a pool. Tyler is a dedicated athlete and accomplished swimmer. His counselor relays a story that shows his character. During the pandemic, when indoor pools were closed, his club team had to find a new place to practice. They found a pool, outside—in the middle of winter. Sometimes the swimmers had to shovel snow off the pool deck before they could practice. "Tyler did not complain about this when he was telling me this story, it was more told as a matter of fact. Something needed to get done to achieve the end goal of being able to swim," his college counselor recalls.

Tyler pushes himself as a student as well as an athlete. He took three AP classes his junior year and another three as a senior, maintaining an A average. He even had two post-AP classes his senior year and scored all 5s on his junior year AP exams.

On top of juggling his heavy academic workload, swimming practices, and a long commute, Tyler has been a lifeguard and a swim instructor. With his leadership skills and ability to bring out the best in others, he is a natural teacher and mentor.

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