# Awards and Recogition

**National Merit Commended Scholar – 12th Grade**

Recognized as one of the top scorers on the PSAT in Washington state.

**Superior, Website/Emerging Technologies – 11th Grade**

Awarded top honors for school newspaper’s website at Washington Journalism Education Association competition.

**Honorable Mention, Newspaper Feature Writing – 11th Grade**

Competed in the Washington Journalism Education Association write-off competition and recognized for feature article.

**National Honors Society – 11th and 12th Grade**

Met and exceeded the 3.5 GPA requirement and performed 15 hours of volunteer work each year. Recognized by teachers for service, leadership, and character.

**Mercer Island High School Coach’s Award – 10th Grade**

Recognized by the varsity volleyball headcoach as a player with an exceptional work ethic and dedication.

**Mercer Island High School Most Inspirational Award – 9th** **Grade**

Recognized by the c-team coach and players as someone who effectively inspired and supported teammates.

# Leadership

# *The Islander*, Mercer Island High School Newspaper – 10th Grade, 11th Grade, 12th Grade

# Editor-in-chief – 12th Grade

# Chosen by editors and staff advisor to oversee all content, assist the advisor in teaching lessons, set production schedules, and generally lead the class of 21 students.

# Working with adviser to increase digital focus in upcoming school year

# Online Editor – 10th Grade, 11th Grade

# Created and managed *The Islander*’s online presence which included editing articles, working individually with writers, and running various social media accounts.

# Pitched concept for website to administration and developed it without teacher assistance.

# Reported and wrote *The Islander*’s first staff editorial.

# Link Leader – 12th Grade

# Led a group of incoming freshman through orientation and helped them adapt to high school through monthly meetings.

# Organized collaboration with school paper for first-day activities.

# National Charity League – 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th Grade

# Corresponding Secretary – 9th and 11th Grade

# Treasurer – 10th Grade

# VP Programs – 12th Grade

# Music

# Island Sound – 9th Grade, 10th Grade

# Participated in local show choir and performed two shows each year.

# Sang solos at each performance.

# Northwest Girlchoir – 10th, 11th, and 12th Grade

# Performed local concerts throughout the year at venues including Benaroya Hall.

# Commissioned music from both locally and nationally recognized composers.

# Toured Malta and Sicily singing at local churches and charity events – 10th Grade

# Invited to perform at American Choral Directors Association Northwestern Division Conference – 11th Grade

# Member of advanced ensemble group – 11th and 12th Grade

# Scheduled to tour Argentina and Uruguay to perform in both churches and local schools (summer 2017)

# Summer Experiences

# Medill-Northwestern Journalism Institute – 11th Grade

# Accepted to selective five-week summer program for U.S. and international high school students. Worked with established professors and professionals in the fields of writing, editing, photography, video, producing, ethics, law, and digital media.

# Community Service

# National Charity League – 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th Grade

# Performed 124 hours of community service working with women’s shelters, fundraising events, organizations supporting local low-income families.

**VOICE (Volunteer Outreach in Communities Everywhere) – 9th Grade**

* Performed over 50 hours of community service working with senior citizens, children from low-income families, and various local charities.

**Atlantic Street Center - 9th Grade and 10th Grade**

* Tutored diverse group of elementary school students from low-income families in reading through a free summer school program for inner city youth during morning shift.
* Worked in a second-grade classroom as a teacher’s assistant and supervised students on field trips during afternoon shift.