

## Michigan Social Studies Olympiad 2021

### Senior Division Winners

**Current Event Editorial Essay** - This event is an opportunity for students to write an opinion editorial, in a news media format, based on a current event. The editorial must take the form of a short essay, based on an event or events that have been relatively prominent in news media within the past year. Students will use a mix of analytical, critical, and persuasive arguments to promote a specific point of view.

Gold Medal

**Emma Bowen**

*Adlai E. Stevenson High School, Utica Community Schools*

Gold Medal

**Zachary Kramer**

*South Lyon High School, South Lyon Community Schools*

Bronze Medal

**Penelope Griffioen**

*University Liggett School*

Honorable Mention

**Syeda Shahriah Akther**

*Center Line High School, Center Line Public Schools*

**Digital Photography** - Original digital photography that represents the MSSO theme.

Gold Medal

**Clara Barsoum**

*Adlai E. Stevenson High School, Utica Community Schools*

Silver Medal

**Angelina Randazzo**

*University Liggett School*

Bronze Medal

**Emma Bowen**

*Adlai E. Stevenson High School, Utica Community Schools*

Honorable Mention

**Gabriella Noble**

*University Liggett School*

**Investments** - Sponsored by the Michigan Council on Economic Education, student teams invest \$100,000 over the course of 5-6 weeks in whatever stocks they think will lead the pack. The winners are based on highest percentage gained in their division.

Gold Medal

**Nicholas Debelak, Jacob Debelak, Benjamin Potts, Cody Girard**

*Adlai E. Stevenson High School, Utica Community Schools*

Silver Medal

**Derek Riley, Michael Wesner, Nicholas Simovski, Evan Petrovich, Zachary Kramer**

*South Lyon High School, South Lyon Community Schools*

**Marathon: A Citizen Involvement Project** – This event provides an entire class the opportunity to organize and participate in an original philanthropic, long-term social studies project. The goal is for students to plan, conduct research, and carry out a service-learning project that uses their time, talent, and treasure to better their world. Being involved, contributing citizens is the essence of social studies. It is the hope that this event will encourage students to learn about their role in community, take a step toward addressing an issue, and get involved.

Gold Medal

**University Liggett School**

*Coach: Mr. Hemler*

**Online Presentation** - Online presentations are tools that provide visuals, sounds, and words that increase people's understanding of a subject. This event entails having students creating original digital presentations based on the theme.

Gold Medal

**Nicholas Simovski**

*South Lyon High School, South Lyon Community Schools*

Silver Medal

**Kennedy Campbell**

*University Liggett School*

Bronze Medal

**Maryan Yousef**

*Adlai E. Stevenson High School, Utica Community Schools*

## **Photojournalism**

Gold Medal

**Emmanuelle Cubba**

*University Liggett School*

Silver Medal

**Elisha Finitzer**

*Shelby Jr. High School, Utica Community Schools*

**Poetry** - Poetry can be of any style, rhymed or unrhymed, structured or free verse.

Gold Medal

**Luke Lissan**

*South Lyon East High School, South Lyon Community Schools*

Silver Medal

**Catherine Hoff**

*Shelby Junior High, Utica Community Schools*

Bronze Medal

**Emma Bowen**

*Adlai E. Stevenson High School, Utica Community Schools*

Honorable Mention

**Frances Boyle**

*University Liggett School*

**Political Cartoons Journal** - The purpose of the journal is to examine current issues which have an impact on our government, political parties, and local, state, national, and international issues.

Gold Medal

**Alyssa Younker**

*Lakeland High School, Huron Valley Schools*

Silver Medal

**Ally Carlson**

*Lakeland High School, Huron Valley Schools*

Bronze Medal

**Maria Xhoga**

*Adlai E. Stevenson High School, Utica Community Schools*

Honorable Mention

**Logan Weston**

*Lakeland High School, Huron Valley Schools*

Honorable Mention

**Danielle Zalupski**

*Lakeland High School, Huron Valley Schools*

**Poster: Artistic** - Artistic interpretation of the Olympiad's designated theme through one, or a combination, of some of the following: painting, drawings, and use of a variety of material, photographs/pictures. Artistic merit and interpretation of the theme are scored equally.

Gold Medal

**Sophia Yobut**

*Adlai E. Stevenson High School, Utica Community Schools*

Silver Medal

**Thy Huang**

*Adlai E. Stevenson High School, Utica Community Schools*

**Poster: Collage** – These posters must be entirely covered with found objects (leaves, miniature toys, photographs, magazine pictures, etc.) or materials that tell a story that fit the Olympiad’s current theme.

Gold Medal

**Nicholas Simovski**

*South Lyon High School, South Lyon Public Schools*

Silver Medal

**Clara Barsoum**

*Adlai E. Stevenson High School, Utica Community Schools*

Bronze Medal

**Mariem Aboutaleb**

*Adlai E. Stevenson High School, Utica Community Schools*

**Poster: Storyboard** – Posters with magazine pictures, newspaper clippings, photographs, found objects such as leaves, miniature objects, beans, etc., which tell a story that fits this year’s Olympiad’s designated theme. The poster must be titled and pictures, items, etc. are to be captioned with brief explanations that flow from beginning to middle, and end.

No 2021 qualified winners

**Primary Document Journal** - The purpose of the journal is for the student to analyze a historical event through the use of primary documents.

No 2021 qualified winners

**Song** – Lyrics and video performance of an original song based on the MSSO theme.

Gold Medal

**Emilia Bronk, Christina Jarad**

*University Liggett School*

Silver Medal

**Adi Naim**

*Adlai E. Stevenson High School, Utica Community Schools*

**Speakathon** - Students give a 4 to 5 minute speech tied to the Olympiad theme.

Gold Medal

**Colleen Capozello**

*Adlai E. Stevenson High School, Utica Community Schools*

Silver Medal

**Vincenzo Martino**

*Shelby Junior High School, Utica Community Schools*

Bronze Medal

**Nicholas Simovski**

*South Lyon High School, South Lyon Community Schools*

**Take a Stand Essay** - Students produce a written essay that expresses a position on a current public issue related to the Olympiad theme and justify the position with reasoned arguments.

Gold Medal

**Ian Payne**

*Adlai E. Stevenson High School, Utica Community Schools*

Silver Medal

**Olivia Beckman**

*Adlai E. Stevenson High School, Utica Community Schools*

Bronze Medal

**Zachary Kramer**

*South Lyon High School, South Lyon Community Schools*

**Theme Graphic Design** - Students submit an original graphic design representative of the Olympiad theme.

Gold Medal

**Yuanda Gao**

*University Liggett School*

Silver Medal

**Caeli Schultz**

*Christa McAuliffe Middle School, Bangor Township Schools*

Bronze Medal

**Eloise Laverty**

*Christa McAuliffe Middle School, Bangor Township Schools*