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EDUCATION

Harvard University | Undergraduate, Economics

2026-Present

Warren Township High School

2022-2026

Unweighted GPA: 3.93/4.0 | Weighted GPA: 4.56/4.0

LEADERSHIP, EXPERIENCE & COMMUNITY SERVICE

Future Business Leaders of America | American Enterprise Committee Lead

2024-2025

Founded **Project LaunchPad** after research found a 1.23/5 free-enterprise understanding score. Taught product design, market segmentation, and value propositions through Educate, Engage, Empower; reached **1,000+ students**, with post-program confidence of 4-5/5. The project became an **FBLA National Champion**.

FBLA | Community Service Committee Lead

2025-2026

Co-founded **Project Active Link**, mobilizing **150+ students**. Led bi-monthly workshops on apps, cybersecurity, and scam prevention with senior living communities; supported local groups with social media and Spanish-language translation.

FBLA | Historian

2023-2024

Photographed events and competitions, promoted the chapter, and delivered monthly presentations to 150+ members.

School Board Student Representative

2023-2024

Represented 3,600+ students in district decisions; advocated for and helped secure **\$12M in school improvements**.

Gurnee Youth Leadership Initiative | Executive VP; HR Intern

2022-2026

Led program development: recruited members, designed an internship framework, led leadership workshops, and collaborated with local government on civic projects. First teen appointed to the Environmental Sustainability Committee.

Pueblo Inglés International Volunteer Program

2023, 2024, 2025

Completed **600 volunteer hours** teaching English to **200+ Spanish participants**; earned the program's highest performance evaluations for three consecutive years.

Mother Earth's Concerned Students | President

2023-24, 2025-26

Led three committees, grew membership by 2,000%, and launched textile recycling for community and fundraising efforts.

Students of Service | President

2023-2024

Expanded outreach and membership/volunteer participation by 200+ members; partnered with the school board to enable international volunteer opportunities.

Link Crew

2024-2026

Inaugural member welcoming 800+ freshmen; selected as spokesperson at all-staff and school board meetings.

Warren Township High School Technology Team | Paid Student Worker

2024-2026

Selected to operate advanced lighting, sound, and event technology.

Council for Exceptional Children | Officer

2025-2026

Assisted with bi-weekly special education activities and launched the club's social media page.

Additional service and school leadership

2022-2026

Drama Club (100+ hours; Thespian recognition); Principal Leadership Team (two beautification projects); Student Facilitator (feedback workshops); Warren Ambassadors (mental-health initiatives); International Club (cultural showcase); St. Paul the Apostle Church Teen Choir (two hours weekly).

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

FBLA: National Champion, American Enterprise Project; 2nd in state and 1st at Northern Area, American Enterprise Project; 7th in state, Public Speaking; 6th in state and 2nd at Northern Area, Sales Presentation; 5th at Northern Area, Introduction to Business Presentation; 3rd at Northern Area, 1st in state, and national competitor, Introduction to Public Speaking.

National Merit Scholarship Finalist; Illinois State Scholar; AP Scholar with Distinction; College Board National Recognition Program School Recognition Award; Warren Way Leadership Award (three consecutive years); National Honor Society; Spanish National Honor Society; High Honor Roll every semester.

SKILLS & LANGUAGES

Tools & skills: Microsoft Excel Associate and Microsoft Word Expert certifications; Canva; Google Slides; Google Docs; public speaking.

Languages: English and Polish (fluent); Spanish (fluent reading, writing, and listening; proficient speaking).