

POBJFKHS Senior Honored with DECA Scholarship *Prestigious Recognition Awarded to Only Five Students Nationwide*

PLAINVIEW, NEW YORK (April, 2022)—Plainview-Old Bethpage John F. Kennedy High School senior Gabrielle Sorgie has been awarded the prestigious Marriott Scholarship through DECA Inc. This \$2,000 scholarship is given to only five seniors among the myriad of applicants from across the country.

DECA is a long-running, nonprofit organization that provides career readiness resources in the fields of marketing, finance, hospitality and management for students across the globe. The Marriott Scholarship is awarded to DECA seniors who have exhibited an extraordinary amount of leadership, both in and out of the classroom, and who have a penchant for giving back to their community. In addition, students who receive the scholarship have expressed interest in pursuing a career in business, especially in the hospitality and tourism industry. Gabrielle will be honored at the International DECA Competition in Atlanta, Georgia, during a ceremony at the Grand Awards session.

DECA's scholarship program provides over \$200,000 in scholarships to high school and college DECA members at the International Career Development Conference (ICDC) each year. Many corporate partners of DECA provide scholarships through the DECA scholarship program. DECA Inc. administers the program based on guidelines set by the donor. DECA scholarships are strictly merit-based.

For more information about the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District, please visit the District's website at www.pobschools.org. Exciting activities happening throughout the District and programs celebrating student achievement can also be found on the District's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/pobschools/>.

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Photo 1: Gabrielle Sorgie

