

January Student of the Month

KATHERINE HEUKER

Congratulations to Freshman Katherine Heuker who is January's Student of the Month. "Kat is the first to volunteer in class. She is actively thinking and involved. She has family in Argentina, so it's fun to see her light up when I mention something about Argentina," says her Spanish teacher Sr. Maria Francine. Kat adds she wants to speak Spanish fluently and is inspired by her grandmother who currently lives in Chicago but was born in Argentina. Kat's other teachers describe her as "dedicated, hardworking and kind," and we thank you for contributing positively to NDA!

- Participates in Teen Leadership Club (TLC), Film and Photography Club and the Dive Team
- Dances competitively at Premiere Athletics in the Hip Hop genre
- Loves Panda Prime Time at NDA. Kat says it's the "high school version of recess" and allows students time to "reset"



Kat's Religion teacher, Mrs. Johnson says, "Kat is the type of student who is very involved in Religion Class no matter what topic. She shares great insights and is always willing to go the extra mile. If a class discussion is slow to get started, I can always count on Kat to bring energy & positivity to the classroom and to the discussion. Her critical thinking skills make her a wonderful asset, and she is definitely a young lady who makes a difference in Freshman Religion each & every day."



Theatre Director, Mrs. Smith, says Kat "always fills in for anyone or helping with any task. She's always on the look out to help someone out, and she always helps with kindness. She undertook the task to be an understudy in Clue, learned the entire part in 6 days, including memorizing."



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