

BELLPORT HIGH SCHOOL

VALEDICTORIAN CLASS OF 2010

Katherine O'Connor, daughter of Leslie and Paul O'Connor of Bellport has been named Valedictorian of the Class of 2010 at Bellport High School. As a National Merit Finalist Katherine has a GPA of 4.51 and SAT score of 2310. Katherine's grade point average is highest GPA since the letter grade system was implemented in the South Country School District. Katherine has received the National Merit Battelle Scholarship and the Brookhaven Science Associates Scholarship. Katherine has excelled in the most challenging Advanced Placement classes offered at Bellport High School. After taking 12 AP courses and receiving a 4.0 from Stony Brook University in their Intro to Linear Algebra course Katherine is currently enrolled in AP Biology, AP Government, AP English Composition and Language and AP Statistics at Bellport High School. She has been Editor of the school newspaper for the last two years, Captain of the Science Bowl Team, and Captain of the Academic Team competing on the television show The Challenge. Katherine participated and received a perfect score on the Math Team, was a member in good standing in the Math Honor Society, Science Honor Society, Tri-M Music Honor Society and the National Honor Society. For the last four years Katherine has displayed her musical talents by playing the flute in the Wind Ensemble and the Flute Choir. She also participated in the Pit Orchestra at the annual musical performance at Bellport High School having also participated in the All-Country Music Festival Orchestra. Serving her community has been rewarding for Katherine as she has been an altar server at Mary Immaculate Church for nine years and plays the flute in the Church Choir as well as other community and school district functions. During the summer, Katherine will continue working part time for an on-line math course correcting students' problem sets. The Valedictorian of the Class of 2010 at Bellport High School will be attending MIT in the fall majoring in Mathematics.