

## North Central College Hosts 2021-2022 John Drury High School Radio Awards

**October 8, 2022, Naperville, III.** – Sixteen high school radio stations from around the United States were honored at the annual John Drury High School Radio Awards hosted by WONC-FM at North Central College. Students, advisors, and their radio stations were honored in 17 different categories.

Five of this year's honored stations were first-time entrants:

- Best DJ: Caitlin Fitzgerald of WBNH at Bedford High School in New Hampshire
- Best Sports Play-By-Play: WCYT of Homestead High School in Indiana
- Best Public Affairs Program: KMIH of Mercer Island High School in Washington
- Best Use of Social Media: WPPB of Anderson Technology and Career Center in South Carolina
- Advisor of the Year: Michael Frank, the faculty advisor for Sleepy Hollow Radio at Sleepy Hollow High School in New York

While first-year entrants did well, stations that are well-decorated Drury participants held their own, including:

- Best Sportscast: KVIT at East Valley Institute of Technology in Arizona
- Best Public Service Announcement: KVIT at East Valley Institute of Technology in Arizona
- Best Specialty Music Show: WBFH of Bloomfield Hills High School in Michigan
- Best Station Promo: WWPT of Staples High School in Connecticut
- Best Sports Talk Show: WWPT of Staples High School in Connecticut
- Broadcaster of the Year: Devon Jarvis of WWPT at Staples High School in Connecticut

The most prestigious honor of the competition, **Best High School Radio Station**, was awarded to WLTL of Lyons Township High School in La Grange, Illinois. This was WLTL's second time winning the award in the last three years, and their eighth time since the Drury Awards began in 2003. WLTL earned five awards in total, more than any other station this year.

"We were excited to once again welcome radio station advisors, school administrators, students, and their families to the North Central College campus," said WONC General Manager Zachary DeWitz. "Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, we hadn't had an in-person ceremony since 2019. It was great to have people together to celebrate the accomplishments of these young broadcasters and their radio stations."

A full list of the winners and their audio is available at WONC.org/drurywinners.

## About North Central College

North Central College provides students with the confidence, instruction and direction they need to exceed their personal best inside and outside of the classroom and throughout their careers. Founded in 1861, and located just 28 miles west of Chicago in the Historic District of Naperville, III.—named among the nation's "Best Places to Live" by *Money* magazine—North Central is home to nearly 2,600 students and offers more than 70 undergraduate majors, 60 additional undergraduate minors and concentrations, and 13 graduate degree programs. Visit northcentralcollege.edu to discover why *U.S. News & World Report* has named North Central a "Best in the Midwest" school for 28 years in a row and to learn more about the College's state-of-the-art facilities and distinctive programs, particularly in the sciences and business.

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