Mount Mercy Inducts 38 McAuley Scholars

In a tradition that dates back to 2002, Mount Mercy Academy inducted 38 students as 2017 Mount Mercy McAuley Scholars. McAuley Scholars are students who distinguish themselves through their academic rigor by maintaining an average of 95% or above throughout the school year. Students who are awarded with this honor exemplify a commitment to the Hallmarks of a Mercy Education, including Dedication to Christian Values, Academic Excellence, Leadership, and Commitment to Compassionate Service. McAuley Scholars pledge to live a life of integrity according to the spirit of Mother Catherine McAuley and to imitate her gentleness, her compassionate service, and her respect for the dignity of all people.

Nine members of the Class of 2017 were inducted: Anne Bamrick (Buffalo), Samantha Budzinski (Williamsville), Jillian English (Hamburg), Colleen Finn (Buffalo), Brianna Gawronski (Dunkirk), Samantha Lawicki (Buffalo), Lauren Osuch (Buffalo), Allyson Pfeil (West Seneca) and Clare Smokowski (West Seneca).

Eighteen juniors from the Class of 2018 were also inducted: Julia Acosta (Buffalo), Mary Bala (West Seneca), Mary Barnes (Fredonia), Hannah Bray (West Seneca), Olivia Cudney (Buffalo), Paris Green (East Aurora), Shea Halpenny (Lackawanna), Olivia Harrington (West Seneca), Abigail Hillery (Hamburg), Julia Khoury (Buffalo), Emily Lewandowski (East Aurora), Megan Michalski (Buffalo), Phoebe Palmisano (Buffalo), Elizabeth Pantano (West Seneca), Naomi Parisi (Buffalo), Catherine Roth (Fredonia), Alexis Sandor (Buffalo) and Abigail Swiger (Lackawanna).

Completing the list of inductees were eleven sophomores from the Class of 2019: Megan Cycon (West Seneca), Kathleen Collopy (Buffalo), Emily Eberl (West Seneca), Alyssa Lickfeld (Buffalo), Allison Mazurkiewicz (Blasdell), Kaitlyn Morris (Orchard Park), Abbigayle Reid (Buffalo), Mariah Rullan (Buffalo), Josslyn Strang (Westfield), Madeline Szwed (Cheektowaga) and Grace Willert (West Seneca).