

**NEVADA COUNTY
YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD
Evelyn Grandfield**

The Nevada County Board of Supervisors takes great pleasure in recognizing Evelyn Grandfield for standing out as a youth leader through her excellence in debate, academics, athletics, and her service to her peers and the community.

Evelyn Grandfield, a senior at Nevada Union, began policy debate in the junior high debate program at Seven Hills. As a novice debater in her freshman year, she defined her future in policy debate by “breaking” to the elimination rounds at her very first tournament and going on to win the Western Nationals later that year. By her junior year, she was teaching the debate class at NU while participating in every debate tournament possible, winning two tournaments that year and earning one “bid” to the Tournament of Champions (ToC). At ToC, she and her competition partner got further than any other team in the history of NU Debate, losing out finally to the second-ranked team in the nation.

Evelyn was recently named #1 Valedictorian and top of her class at NU, with a stellar academic record. She was also named captain of the NU Varsity Water Polo Team after playing the sport for eight years. She is passionate about social justice and volunteering for those in need, and recently completed Crisis Intervention Training for victims of domestic abuse by Nevada County’s non-profit organization Community Beyond Violence. During her time at NU she was also active in Site Council and in the Social Justice Club.

The Nevada County Board of Supervisors commends Evelyn for her commitment to personal growth and advancement, her service to her peers and the community, and her excellence in academics and athletics. We wish her success on her journey ahead.

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Jackson Witt**

The Nevada County Board of Supervisors takes great pleasure in recognizing Jackson Witt for standing out as a youth leader through his excellence in debate, academics, athletics, and his service to his peers and the community.

Jackson Witt has been involved in policy debate since the 5th grade. He currently teaches the debate elective at Nevada Union along with his debate partner. He is also instructor and director for the middle school debate program. His goal is to keep the debate program strong in Nevada County. His debate accomplishments include two-time NCFL qualification for the national tournament, semifinalist at the UNLV tournament, quarter finalist at the Alta tournament, and bid qualifier for the prestigious, coveted Tournament of Champions where he and his competition partner got further than any other team in the history of NU Debate, losing out finally to the second-ranked team in the nation.

Jackson is also a three-year Varsity letter earner on the Water Polo and Swim teams. He competed in the Junior Olympics Water Polo tournament with his club team Sac Polo, and this year joined the tennis team. Jackson has a passion for music, and plays four instruments including guitar, bass, saxophone, and piano. He has played with the Nevada County Concert Band; Nevada Union's symphonic, jazz, and combo bands; as well as a local youth rock band program. He served as NU Band Council's Vice President.

Jackson has given back to the community through volunteer work with Hospitality House and the Food Bank. For his final year of high school, he will serve as the student board member for Nevada County Indian Education.

The Nevada County Board of Supervisors commends Jackson for his commitment to personal growth and advancement, his service to his peers and the community, and his excellence in academics and athletics. We wish him success on his journey ahead.

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