



Los Ojos de la Familia August 28, 2019

# LA VISTA Newsletter



## ***Congratulations, HOPE Scholars!***

This semester, we were able to award two exceptional young people, the esteemed HOPE Scholarship of \$3,000.00. These scholars truly represent the best and brightest in our community, and they give us hope for our future. We can't wait to see what they will do!

## Jake Lent-Koop

Jake Lent-Koop is a 2019 graduate of Cleveland High School, graduating with a 4.3 and ranked 8<sup>th</sup> in his graduating class of 511 students. While at Cleveland High he was a 4 year Varsity starter for the soccer team, a 2 year captain, and was awarded as a 3 year All-State player, and a 4 year Academic All-State player. Jake is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the Sandoval County chapter of Young Life. As a member of the National Honor Society, he volunteered at the Road Runner Food bank, the American Cancer Association Breast Cancer Walk, and the St. Baldrick's event to raise money for cancer research. He spent the last 2 summers as a volunteer counselor and lifeguard for Camp Enchantment, a camp for kids in New Mexico battling cancer, a cause about which he is passionate. Jake aspires to continue the fight against cancer through his pursuit of a career in Biomedical Engineering, working in prosthetic design and function for amputees.



## Sevanna Vigil

Sevanna Lei Vigil is a passionate, intelligent, and creative young lady. She graduated 7<sup>th</sup> in her class from Pojoaque High School in May of 2019, with a GPA of 4.1, was a member of National Honor Society, and received the President's Education Award. Sevanna participated in Robotics Club, Mock Trial, Drama Club, Movie Club, and Link Crew. She works four days a week managing a local store, and still makes time to volunteer for several community organizations such as Meals on Wheels and Big Brothers Big Sisters. Sevanna overcame difficulties and



challenges growing up in a troubled home, but she persevered and found strength in learning, and is now using her education and intelligence, together with a positive outlook and indomitable motivation, to seize the opportunities that come her way, and build her own success. She will be pursuing her Masters degree in political science at New Mexico Highlands University in the fall and spending the rest of her free time getting involved with her new community.



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