

# Plainfield 6th-grader receives NAACP award

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PLAINFIELD - Sixth-grader Amy N. Del Cid, a student at Maxson Middle School, was recognized with the Over Achiever Award by the Plainfield Chapter of the NAACP along with other Maxson and Plainfield Public Schools students and community representatives during the NAACP's 16th annual Black History Month..

Amy, who was nominated by the civic and community organization Angels for Action Director Carmen Salavarrieta, is an honor roll student at Maxson and is enrolled in Maxson's STEM Academy. Her course workload includes, STEM Geography, STEM Mathematics, STEM Life Science, STEM Language Arts, STEM Research, Physical Education and Music.

Juan Pablo Jimenez, interim principal at Maxson, said he was proud of Amy's achievement and that of her classmates.

"It's a privilege and an honor to have Amy and our students represent Maxson School at the highest standards," he said.

The Plainfield Area Branch/Unit 2100 is committed to the people of the Plainfield and surrounding communities. Every year, the organization recognizes Plainfield residents who have excelled in their community. The president of Plainfield NAACP is Peter Briggs.

Award winners representing schools and organizations:

- Charles Allen-Sharief Pennington, Jaden Wilson, Yaasmiene Cherry (Young Men of Resilience founder Sarah Cadogan)
- Amy N. Del Cid (Angels for Action co-founder Carmen Salavarrieta)
- Amira Cooper and Joshua Portillo (PAAAS Interim Principal Kevin Stansbury)
- Karyn Montes Lopez, Ahmaad Robertson, Aaliyah Plummer (Maxson Middle School, Juan Pablo Jimenez)
- Harry Acosta, Sebastian Campbell, Brittany Clifford (Union County T.E.A.M.S. Charter School Principal Joi Bethea)
- Jennifer Hernandez-Rivera, Heiner Badilla-Sanchez, Rahkiyah Arrington, Lemachi Enweremadu, Zoe Oliver, Regis Halliday (Cedarbrook K-8 Center Principal Gwynetta Joe)
- Olatunji Adewole (Give and Get Community Project).