Congratulations To:
- Kristin Combs (T-14) for receiving the Alice Artzt Award for Excellence in Mathematics Teaching
- Elena M. Gomez (T-17) and Ellen Haynak (T-17) for receiving Mathematics Education Awards
- Sam John (T-17) for receiving the TIME 2000 Graduate Scholarship Award sponsored by Professor Frances R. Curcio
- Antoinette Koskinas (T-17) for receiving the Herb Fremont Award
- Rakib Ahmed (T-18), Amalia Kouloglou (T-18) and Bashara Mistry (T-18) for their induction into Pi Mu Epsilon, the National Mathematics Honor Society
- Amalia Kouloglou (T-18) for her induction into Kappa Delta Pi, the International Honor Society in Education
- Zhuyang Jiang (T-28) on being a fourth prize winner ($300) of the 2018 CUNY Math Challenge
- Lisa Carrive (T-8), Krysten Malloy (T-8), Amy Lee (T-11), Clare Lee (T-13), Michael London (T-6), Mara Markinsson (T-11), Julia Penagos (T-5), Luis Saludos (T-4) and Dr. Alan Sultan for presenting workshops at LIMC/AY on March 16, 2018
- Eric Glatt (T-1), Kathleen Lyons (T-13) and Mara Markinsson (T-11) for giving a presentation with Dr. Alan Sultan and Dr. Alice Artzt at the 20th annual meeting of the National Council of Supervisors of Mathematics in Washington, D.C., on April 25, 2018
- Arielle Eager Leavitt (T-14) and Nikolina Duhovic (T-14) for giving a presentation with Dr. Theresa Gurl and Ryan Fox at the annual meeting of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics in Washington, D.C., on April 26, 2018
- Dr. Frances R. Curcio who will receive the Sisters of St. John the Baptist Humanitarian Award from the St. John Villa Academy on May 4, 2018
- Shaei Eng (T-5) on the birth of her daughter Julie on October 17, 2017
- Janet Choi (T-3) on the birth of her son
- Nawa Lightman (T-18) on the birth of her son Noam on January 4, 2018
- Celia Perlman (T-14) on the birth of her daughter Devorah on April 8, 2018
- Arielle Eager Leavitt (T-14) on her engagement to Alex Gangi
- Sahil Kapoor (T-5) on his engagement and upcoming wedding on June 6, 2018

On May 2, 2018, the members of the senior class of TIME 2000 (T-17) will celebrate their upcoming graduation from Queens College. As they prepare for the next phase of their lives, TIME 2000 Director Alice Artzt and the seniors offer reflections on their journey together in TIME 2000.

A Note to My Divine Nine Graduates of 2018!

It seems like yesterday that we all met and began our journey together as partners in your road to becoming superb mathematics teachers. Throughout these years, some of you faced very serious obstacles that would have deterred many from continuing on this arduous path. Some of you had to balance important outside jobs and varsity athletics with TIME 2000’s difficult program of study that could have steered you off the track of becoming a mathematics teacher. But, not you! You and your group supported one another so strongly that you all have made it through with high achievements. Every single one of you can feel proud of your many accomplishments, both personal and academic. You have each found a way to personally connect with your students so that they can come to appreciate and love mathematics. You have learned the key to motivating students so that they will want to learn and become numerate citizens of the future. In effect, you are the key to their future. I always claim that TIME 2000 is a family. Your group has shown the power of this family many times over and, for that, I could not be more proud of you.

May your own future students give you the joy and fulfillment that you have all given me! As I have reminded all of my past graduates, always know that no matter how far away you go and no matter how many years pass by, I am always here, thinking of you and wishing you the very best that life has to offer!

-Dr. Alice Artzt

The graduating seniors offer memories, words of wisdom, and other advice:

Memories
It is hard to choose just one memorable story, but some of my fondest memories include studying and writing papers at home with my closest friends from TIME 2000. Those nights were always filled with so much love, happiness, and laughter.

-Agnes Montesinos

The most memorable story from my years in TIME 2000 is when Kathy, Katie, and I merged into one person. We were in our ECPSE 350 class and Kathy raised her hand to answer a question. First, our professor called her Antoinette - she shook her head; then, he called her Katie - she shook her head; finally, she called her Kathy. We all just laughed. We are always together and that day we merged into one.

-Antoinette Koskinas

Many of my fondest memories come from staying up through the wee hours of the morning with my best friend, studying for math exams at the library. You never know how much laughter can come from moments like those.

-Elina M. Gomez

My favorite experience from TIME 2000 is going to MoMath (Museum of Mathematics). It was my first field trip with this program and I LOVED every minute of it! Everything in the museum is interactive. I think that all students, even those who don’t like mathematics, would enjoy the museum. I love the connections between mathematics and other subjects as well as exploring the rich history of mathematics. It’s amazing!

-Elina Huynh

My most memorable story from TIME 2000 happened when we were in our MATH 385W class. It was our first time constructing lesson plans by consulting the Com-
To future math teachers, remember the reasons why you want to become math teachers. It may become stressful but every obstacle can be overcome. I promise you that it will be worth it in the end! —Antoinette Koskins

Follow your heart! Times may get tough as you continue studying math education. Still, nothing is as rewarding as seeing your work pay off when your students begin to learn things from you. Keep going! —Elena M. Gomez

Do what works for you. Learn to be flexible when student teaching. Although a lesson may not turn out as you planned, it may be a great learning experience for you and lead to a great discussion during Dr. Artzt’s class. Broaden your horizons. Try different learning strategies. Remember, just as students learn from you, you can learn from your students. Always look for ways to improve. Have passion for what you do! You’ll be amazing! Best of luck! —Ellen Huynh

Follow the plan that Dr. Artzt has made for you. The program includes everything that would benefit you and your future career. You may complain that there is a lot of work in this program but, eventually, you will appreciate all of the experiences. —Evelyn Qiaoying Lin

My advice for other TIME 2000 students is to work together. We all have the same end goal: it is important that we work together to help each other through it. —Jennifer Foley

Remember, this is a long journey. If this is what you really want to do, keep pushing through and keep your passion for math and education close to your heart. The closer you see to finishing the more astonished you will be on how far you made it. It is a lot of work but, once you are out of the front of the classroom, it is so worth it. Hopefully, you can teach your students to persevere as you did. —Katherine Cordoba

Food for Thought

Be grateful for your TIME 2000 family, all cohorts. They’re either going through it with you, have gone through it, or will go through it. Support one another, help one another, comfort one another. It’s a long journey but you don’t have to go through it alone. —Antoinette Koskins

Thank you, TIME 2000 family! Being part of this program has taught me so much and given me so many memories. Although this program is tough, it is worthwhile. Now, we always have another family to rely on! —Evelyn Qiaoying Lin

I really appreciate the time in this program. I have learned and gained many new ideas. If I was not in TIME 2000, I may not have completed my math education degree. —Ellen Huynh

Thank you to my TIME 2000 family for the infinite amount of love and support. I am truly blessed to have all of you in my life. —Jennifer Foley

Do not let anyone stop you from doing what you love! Just keep swimming! —Katie Waszkiewicz

Have a hierarchy for your life. My hierarchy is God, Family, Education ... everything else comes after those three. When you have a hierarchy, life falls into place and becomes organized. —Sam John

Have a great summer!

Join us for
TIME 2000 Field Day!
Thursday, June 7, 2:30pm