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### **KHS Senior Earns Achievement Award in Writing**

Keene, NH ... Keene High School senior, Ashley Yarus, has been recognized for her exceptional achievement in writing by the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE). She is the only New Hampshire student to receive the council's Achievement in Writing Award this year.

"The Achievement Awards in Writing program was established in 1957 to encourage high school students in their writing and to recognize publicly some of the best student writers in the nation," according to a council publication. "Assessments of student writing are based on students' samples of their own best prose or verse and on impromptu themes that are written under supervision. A team of English teachers judges the writing, looking especially for writing that demonstrates effective and imaginative use of language to inform and move an audience."

In addition to recognizing Yarus, the council also commended the KHS English Department, "for excellence in its instructional program, as revealed by its evident contribution to the high quality of writing of its one or more students honored with NCTE Achievement Awards in Writing."

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