

***SkyHawks Gone M.A.D.* is an award given each month to a student who exemplifies, by their words and deeds, what it means to be a true SkyHawk. M.A.D. stands for our school motto "Make a Difference." Students are nominated by faculty, other students, and the community.**

SkyHawks Gone M.A.D. Award - May 2019

JOSIE POLACEK



"Josie is an invaluable asset to the art program at Skutt Catholic. As the NAHS president, she organizes and leads a select group of our most dedicated artists to enrich and give back to our community through art service projects. She is a natural leader and genuinely cares for all of her classmates, teachers, and family. Her energy and positivity are contagious. She will soar high."

"She is the unofficial second leader in the room. She is so on top of her assignments, that she is always ready and willing to help others in class. She works hard to achieve to her highest standards. Her dedication to her work was so notable at a college-sponsored camp last summer, she was awarded multiple scholarships on the spot!"

"As president of the SkyHawk chapter of the NAHS she is always prepared. Constantly planning and facilitating activities and meetings, she is definitely a leader among her peers. Most importantly of all, these tasks are achieved with her ever present smile and sunny disposition! She is a constant blessing to us all."

"The joy that springs forth from Josie is contagious in every way. She is a bright spot in my class and in my life each day. She radiates God's love, making our school a better place."

"Josie clearly Makes a Difference every day. She genuinely models an amazing attitude for both teachers and peers. Josie never leaves my room without saying "Thank you". Today it's my turn to say thank you Josie Polacek, for all that you've done to make SC a beautiful place to learn and teach."

"She has been an inspirational leader for our team. She was always the first to congratulate a teammate or the first one to pick them up when a teammate was down. Her positive attitude is contagious and kept our team centered on what is most important: living God's Word and sharing the wonders of friendship with others."

"Josie is a leader in my classroom, an active participant, and a constant bright spot in the halls of SC. Her endless positivity and good-natured ways are appreciated and it's easy to see that people just enjoy being around her. Josie is smart, talented, and will surely be missed here next year; Hastings College will be lucky to have her!"

"She is an incredible individual. Since freshman year she's always offered to help before any Mass in any way. This year watching her faith grow and blossom has been such a joy since she literally radiates God's love to others. Thanks to this student, her discipleship group has been formed helping make a difference in the lives of girls on the swim team."

"Josie is always smiling and constantly looking for ways to bring joy to others. She never hesitates to go out of her way for anyone in need and is kind and patient in all situations. Her presence in my classroom has been a gift and I am thankful for her example of living out joyful service to others. "