

The Elements of a Newfane Panther

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20 Cp Cooperative	21 Re Reliable					22 Gf Grateful	23 E Engaged	24 Et Ethical	25 Cu Curious	26 Rs Respectful

Congratulations!

The following students were nominated by Newfane High School staff for exhibiting growth or achievement in any of the 30 elements:

Adaptable

Attentive

Communicative

Compassionate

Cooperative

Creative

Curious

Diligent

Empathetic

Encouraging

Engaged

Ethical

Generous

Grateful

Honest

Humble

Inclusive

Kind

Open-minded

Optimistic

Organized

Patient

Persevering

Reliable

Resilient

Respectful

Responsible

Role Model

Self-disciplined

Tolerant

Tyler Braddell

Element: Encouraging

Nominated by: Mr. Klumpp



“Tyler always stops down before 1st period starts to give me a fist pump and encourages me to have a great day. He is kind and respectful to every kid in the school and believes it’s always the right time to do the right thing.”



Jonathan Clarcq

Element: Humble

Nominated by: Mr. Smith



“Jonathan is one of the top students in the Junior class. He is always achieving at a high level while being enrolled in very rigorous courses and also being involved in several extracurricular activities. Though he is a top performer, he is humble about his accomplishments. He exhibits a quiet humility regarding his achievements.”

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Hu

Humble

Jordan Geisendorff

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Humble

Element: Humble

Nominated by: *Mr. Meyers*



“Jordan has been a student of mine for the last 2 years. In her own quiet way Jordan has excelled in College BIO 109/ 110 and AP Environmental Science. She is never one to brag about a grade on a test or assignment, which is why I am nominating her for the element "Humble." I look forward to hearing of her accomplishments in the future..”

Isaiah Gerstung

Element: Engaged



Nominated by: Mrs. Keys

“Isaiah is always engaged in class discussions and will always bring in a great perspective. Isaiah will ask questions to further understand a concept and seems to really enjoy learning about history. Isaiah is a wonderful student to have in class.”

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E

Engaged

Ah'Leena Golden

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Ec

Encouraging

Element: Encouraging

Nominated by: Mrs. Tabone



“Ah'Leena has been a role model this school year to many students both in and out of the classroom. Through her involvement in extracurricular activities, her politeness and kindness towards others, her inquisitive nature, and her positive attitude, she encourages others to participate in the school community in fun and meaningful ways, leading by example. Ah'Leena has participated in several community based events including homecoming activities through the art club, Trunk -or- treat with the art club and PTSA, as well as other clubs and sports, and she encourages classmates and friends to have a positive and impactful experience in the school community as well.”

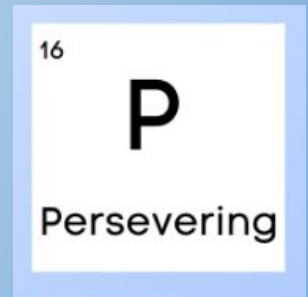
Chase Harding

Element: Persevering

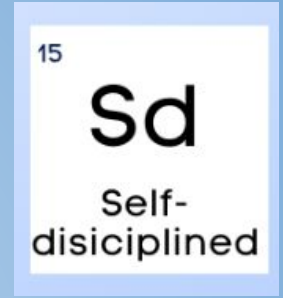


Nominated by: Mr. Gretz

“Chase has multiple college / AP classes this year. He has worked very hard in AP Psychology this year. He has demonstrated growth as a student from his junior year.”



Maisie Jones

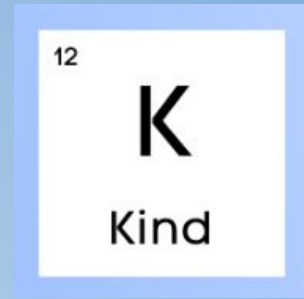


Element: Self-disciplined **Nominated by: Ms. Geise**



“There are many Panther Elements I would use to describe Maisie. It was difficult to pick only one. Maisie is a very driven, yet quiet student who works hard and completes all that is asked of her. Maisie is not a complainer and seems to enjoy the challenges placed upon her. Maisie is the ideal student; kind, respectful, studious, enthusiastic. Maisie flies under the radar most of the time, but is true to herself and has a great sense of humor when you get to know her..”

Anna Kelley



Element: Kind



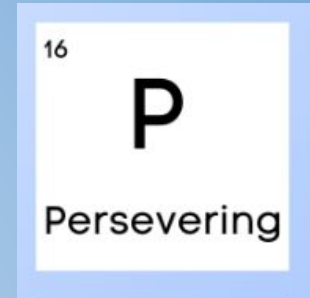
Nominated by: Mrs. Najuch

“Anna's kindness is something I look forward to seeing everyday. She shows up to class with a smile and a willingness to help and work with anyone around her. In recent visits and work with Newfane Elementary students, Anna demonstrated grace, kindness, and warmth that will serve her well in her pursuit to become an elementary teacher. We can all learn by watching Anna!”

Lydia Lamont

Element: Persevering

Nominated by: Mr. Najuch



“Lydia works extremely hard to be student that she is. She never quits on a math problem and when she is truly stuck, she asks me for help and listens intently! Last year, if you asked Lydia what class comes easiest to her, she would never have picked math. Lydia is starting to see the reward of her perseverance. This year, I am confident that Lydia would say that Algebra 2 is one of her favorite classes due to the success she has earned through her hard work!”

Riley McKnight

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Re

Reliable

Element: Reliable

Nominated by: Mrs. Tabone



“At the beginning of the school year the newly formed Art Club was asked to be a part of homecoming by running a face painting activity. As a new club without any veteran members Riley stepped up and spent numerous days after school planning, organizing, and testing supplies, and showing others to gather interest in the event. She went above and beyond to make sure that it was a success and was reliable throughout..”

Sean Milczarski

Element: Persevering



Nominated by: Ms. Wolf

“Sean exemplifies the quality of perseverance by continuing to give his best effort, despite any challenges coming his way. He absolutely loves wrestling, and even though he had injuries that prevented him from participating, he was still a source of great support to his team. Sean dedicated himself to improving academically this year, and is now on the honor roll. He is someone who refuses to give up, and has a bright future ahead. I highly recommend him for this award.”

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P

Persevering

Erin Miller

Element: Empathetic

Nominated by: Ms. Kelly



“Erin works well in any science lab group, but truly understands and is patient with those students who need more encouragement and support.”

Alyssa Myers

Nominated by: Mr. Gugliuzza

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In

Inclusive

Element: Inclusive



“Alyssa has consistently displayed her ability to be inclusive of her classmates during this first marking period. During her science class she is frequently observed choosing to work with students who may otherwise struggle with the content. Alyssa does a great job of working with these students as a partner, and likes to help them to understand both content and what to do in their assignments. She is a major asset to teachers and students alike and helps to create a positive learning environment every single day.”

Kara Noonan

Element: Diligent



Nominated by: Mr. Gugliuzza

“Kara has done an outstanding job throughout the first marking period of exemplifying what it means to be diligent. In both her classes and her study hall she can always be found working hard on completing her assignments, often without being asked. She does very good work, and even when she is met with difficulty in completing her assignments, she is able to advocate for herself by asking good questions and seeking help from her teachers.”

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Diligent

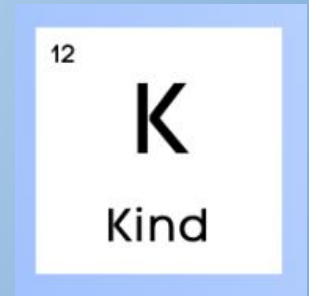
Austin Poole

Element: Kind



Nominated by: Mr. Klumpp

“He is always willing to assist other students who are struggling in class, and is very kind to all his classmates.”



Robert Shaughnessy

Element: Inclusive



Nominated by: Mrs. Siegmann

“RJ is always kind to his classmates, and includes everyone in activities. When a new student transferred to Newfane last year RJ quickly befriended him and made him feel welcome.”

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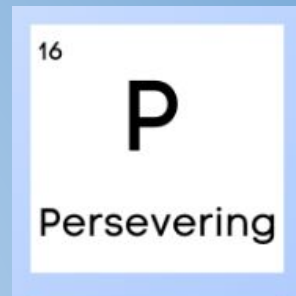
Inclusive

Kalynn Stern

Element: Persevering

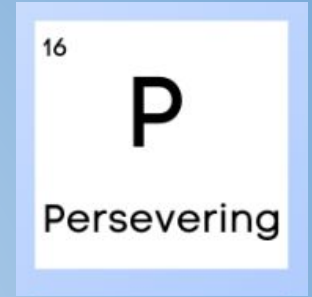


Nominated by: Ms. Hall



“Kalynn has stayed after school almost daily with me for several weeks now to get caught up on English work, and has significantly raised her grade. Her perseverance has paid off :)”

Emma Wentland



Element: Persevering

Nominated by: Mrs. Keys



“Emma is a student that is always ready to learn. She asks for help when she needs it and asks for extra work to prepare her for her tests. Emma is a great student to have in class.”

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Gf
Grateful

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H
Honest

Blake Dubois

**Element: Grateful
and Honest**

Nominated by: Mrs. Siegmann

“Blake always expresses gratitude for any assistance given, even the smallest thing. He is polite and considerate. He makes sure to say good morning when coming into class, and wish a good day to people when he leaves.”

Nominated by: Mr. Hart

“Today I unknowingly dropped \$40 in the hallway. Blake was the first person to come by and see the money on the floor. He could have kept it, but instead he immediately turned it into the office. Thank you for your honesty!!



Jillian Cottrell

Element: Persevering

Nominated by: Dr. Botzer

“Despite any struggles Jillian may face, she continues to smile and put her best foot forward. I admire her willingness to persevere even when she would prefer to stay home! Thank you Jillian for all of your hard work.”



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P

Persevering

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Ec

Encouraging

Peyton Mangione

Element: Encouraging

Nominated by: Ms. Forsyth

“Peyton is our student helper in Phys. Ed. with Mrs. Luck's class. Peyton has been encouraging and supportive, and she has also demonstrated excellent leadership skills. She took on the responsibility of working with the class in the fitness room and teaching them new exercises. She has been an excellent addition to our class and she continues to grow each week.”



Jasmine Arnold

Element: Adaptable



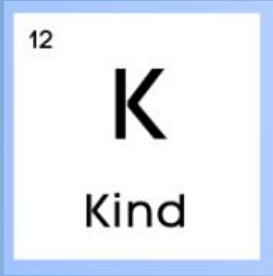
Nominated by: Mrs. Stack

“Jasmine adapts well to changes in her environment, and works very hard in all of her classes.”

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Ad

Adaptable



Anthony Wheaton

Nominated by: Mr. Gugliuzza

“Anthony is perhaps one of the most kind hearted people I know, and certainly the most kind student I have the pleasure of working with this year. He always makes a point to say good morning to his teachers and ask how they are doing. He is extremely polite, always saying please and thank you. He can also frequently be observed offering fellow students materials such as pens, pencils, paper, and/or a Chromebook charger when they are in need. He is an individual who helps to spread good in the world, and most definitely embodies the element of kindness.”



Element: Kind

Bryce Kelly

Element: Respectful

Nominated by: Mrs. Stack

“Bryce is respectful to any person that he interacts with, including students and staff members..”



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Rs

Respectful

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K

Kind

Skyler Knott

Element: Kind

Nominated by: Mrs. Stack

“Skyler is always kind to those around him. He gets along well with others.”



Gianna Rowles

Element: Communicative



Nominated by: Dr. Botzer

“Gianna is always willing to communicate with teachers, administrators, and support staff to offer her opinions and suggestions that could be helpful for our high school setting. Her willingness to communicate concerns when needed for the benefit of our student body is commendable. She engages well with both peers and adults, and is willing to go the extra mile to be helpful in unique situations with others. ”



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D

Diligent

Kaitlyn Taylor

Element: Diligent
and Persevering

Nominated by: Mrs. Stack and Mr. Kursten

“Kaitlynn puts forth a great deal of effort in all of her classes.”

“During her toolbox project build, everything went wrong with the welding and painting, but she kept at it and built a beautiful toolbox!”

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P

Persevering



Brenden Haslam

Element: Open-minded



Nominated by: Mrs. Tabone

“Brenden has displayed several instances of open-mindedness in my class. He has been willing to sit in new student groupings, share thoughts and ideas and receive the responses of his peers, and embrace learning about new types of work and different ways of thinking..”

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Om
Open-
minded

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RI

Resilient

Evan Walker

Element: Resilient

Nominated by: Mr. McDonnell

“Evan has worked incredibly hard in the second quarter after missing some classroom time with injury. He never complained about the work he had to do and was always willing to work with either myself or Mrs. Kurial. Great work Evan!”



Brianna Windham

Element: Engaged

Nominated by: Mr. Najuch



“Brianna is the model student that all teachers want to have on their roster. She does all of her work, takes meticulous notes, and never hesitates to ask a question for deeper understanding. Brianna is a great academic and also a solid mathematician.”

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E

Engaged

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Rb

Responsible

Tyler Newton

Element: Responsible

Nominated by: Ms. Geise

“Tyler is a very hard working student. He completes all of the tasks expected of him with high quality. He enjoys a challenge and is able to think outside the box. He is a respectful and considerate student who is patient and helpful to those around him.”



Roxy Smith

Element: Creative



Nominated by: Mrs. O'Keefe

“Roxy is an extremely talented artist. She is hardworking and has advanced skills. She is kind, compassionate, polite, and positive. She challenges herself daily.”

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Creative

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Om
Open-
minded

Logan Corcoran

Element: Open-minded

Nominated by: Mr. Hart

“This past November, Logan took a chance on auditioning for the school musical. It was something he'd never been a part of before, but he kept an open mind and decided to give it a try. Now that he's on board, he is proving to be a valuable member of the cast and is working with classmates he may never have had the chance to interact with otherwise..”



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Cu

Curious

Kyra Austin

Element: Curious

Nominated by: Mrs. Najuch



“I chose curious to describe Kyra Austin because of her willingness to ask questions about the topics we’re learning, not only when she doesn’t understand something, but also when she just genuinely wants to know more about the topic. She approaches new material with a smile on her face ready to learn more. Kyra's curiosity is refreshing, allows for amazing class discussions, and brings joy to my day.”

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K

Kind

Kelsei Haner

Element: Kind

Nominated by: Mrs. Fitch

“Kelsie is a sweet, polite, kind, and respectful young lady. Her kindness emanates whether it's while walking in the halls with her friends and having a thoughtful smile, or stopping to also ask about the teacher who says hi to her in passing. Her grades reflect her drive to do well, yet still be attentive and kind to friends and staff. Her smile is contagious.”



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D

Diligent

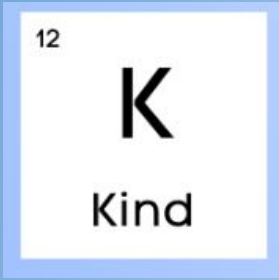
Jacob Wills

Nominated by: Ms. Randall

“Jacob does a great job at making sure his school work is done well and on time. When he does miss class due to a lesson or absence he checks in to find out what he missed and makes plans to complete the work he missed, and then follows through on those plans without reminders. He is very attentive in class and is an overall great student.”

Element: Diligent





Nolan Kureczka

Element: Kind

Nominated by: Mr. Nagel

“Nolan always comes to class, works hard, and is friendly to everyone, including his teachers. He never complains and always makes sure all the PE equipment is cleaned up before he leaves class.”



Jayna Geisendorff

Element: Role Model

Nominated by: Mrs. Merchant



“I chose Role Model for Jayna because she embodies all of The Elements of a Panther. She is attentive during class instruction and participates during practice. Her work is always on time. She treats her classmates with respect and kindness. She is polite. I would take a classful of Jayna’s!”

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Role-model

Nattalie Johnson

Element: Encouraging

Nominated by: M. Teacher



“Nattalie volunteers to help other students during study hall and is always so patient and kind when explaining content that can be tricky for students to understand. She is a very caring person and encourages her peers to do the best they can.”

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Ec

Encouraging

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Ad

Adaptable

Jamar Swanson

Element: Adaptable

Nominated by: Mrs. Najuch

“Jamar joined us only a few weeks ago from a different school and fell into place immediately, completing all work well and on time and adding an incredible, positive dimension to our classroom atmosphere that we didn't even know we were missing! Moving midway through the year can be very difficult but Jamar's adaptability seems to have made it a breeze for him!”





Jordyn Centner

Element:
Compassionate

Nominated by: Mrs. Keys

“Jordyn puts her friends first and really cares about them. She shows compassion by helping them in every way. She is an example of a great, compassionate friend.”

