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## **Towson High student Wangechi Njuguna named among “The 24: Maryland’s Emerging Scholars”**

*Inaugural awards presented from The Maryland Business Roundtable for  
Education*

Towson, Md. – The [Maryland Business Roundtable for Education](#) (MBRT) has named Wangechi Njuguna, a Grade 10 student at Towson High School, as one of the inaugural winners of The 24: Maryland's Emerging Scholars award. This prestigious award recognizes 24 high school students from across Maryland, each representing their school district, for their outstanding achievements in “compassion initiatives, leadership, and academic success.”

The awardees were selected from a competitive pool of candidates based on their remarkable contributions to their communities, exemplary leadership within their schools, and exceptional academic performance. Additionally, extra points were awarded to students who have participated in MBRT programs and expressed intentions of pursuing a career in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics).

Njuguna, who is enrolled in Towson High’s Law and Public Policy magnet program, has a grade point average of 3.42 and has earned 137 service-learning hours. She serves as a member of the Law and Public Policy Executive Board and assists in coordinating class activities and field trips. Additionally, she serves as social media coordinator on the school’s Black Student Union Executive Board. She plans to pursue a career in family or criminal law.

"We are thrilled to honor these remarkable young individuals who have demonstrated exceptional dedication to making a positive impact in their communities," said Sharon Markley Schreiber, MBRT

executive director. "Their commitment to service, leadership, and academic excellence serves as an inspiration to us all."

The recipients were recognized at an award reception in Annapolis on March 13, following MBRT's signature Youth Congress Day event. The annual event brought together students, educators, and government and business leaders to celebrate the achievements of Maryland's youth and to discuss the future of education and workforce development in the state.

### **About Maryland Business Roundtable for Education**

The Maryland Business Roundtable for Education (MBRT) is a nonprofit coalition of leading employers that have made a long-term commitment to support education reform and improve student achievement in Maryland. MBRT is the catalyst for business, government, and education to drive high student achievement that ensures a competitive future workforce for a world-class economy.

*(Editor's note: A photo of Njuguna can be found on [Flickr](#).)*

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