

## 2026 Scholarship Recipient - Collegiate

### AVERY TORRES

The Alumni Association is pleased to award a college scholarship to Avery Torres, an LHS Alumni Member, Class of 2024. She is currently enrolled in her second year at the University of California, Santa Barbara and is working on a double major in English and Sociology. Avery plans to pursue a career in becoming a high school English teacher, preferably at her alma mater (LHS). During her first year, Avery has proudly maintained an impressive 3.57 GPA while enrolled in several rigorous upper-division English courses.

Beyond the classroom, Avery's work ethic, reliability and discipline has her lead an active work schedule. During the first year at U.C.S.B., she worked at the UCSB Bookstore as a customer service lead. In addition, for the past three summers, has worked part-time in a retail business. Most recently Avery was hired at the Solvang Olive Press-( 24-hrs) weekly scheduling work hours around her collegiate courses and maintaining her academic success with hard work and dedication.

Lastly, while Avery balances holding down after school jobs, a feat which takes maturity and a tremendous amount of energy, she also volunteers in her community; i.e. assisting in fundraisers for a car cruise the past two years. Avery has devoted many hours volunteering at an elementary school assisting teachers and connecting with students in a classroom environment. Her commitment to academic excellence is evident not only in the classroom., but has demonstrated outstanding service to others. These qualities will lead her to collegiate success and career. Best of luck, Avery.