**Carlisle Area School District**

**AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK**

**CELEBRATION AND RECOGNITION**

**NOVEMBER 11-15, 2019**

**High School Prompt:**

The United States has always been a place where words, thoughts and ideas have been allowed to flow and grow, despite the fact that there may be differing viewpoints. The American-born author, poet and historian, Aberjhani, once said, “Democracy is not simply a license to indulge individual whims and proclivities. It is also holding oneself accountable to some reasonable degree for the conditions of peace that impact the lives of those who inhabit one’s beloved extended community.” **Write a thoughtful and well-organized essay in which you explore what Aberjhani means by this. Provide evidence from your personal and educational career where you have seen this philosophy at work. As an alternative, you may create your response for presentation using any medium you are comfortable with, including, but not limited to video, song, powerpoint, poem, etc.**

**Guidelines**

1. Students may submit an essay, poem, song, website or powerpoint that answers the essay them.
2. TWO recognitions from the high school – (9th/10th and 11th/12th)
3. The following information must be sent by e-mail to Mr. Wagner no later than **Friday, October 25, 2019**:
   1. Student’s name, address, phone number, parent/guardian’s name
   2. **An *electronic copy (non-pdf)* of the essay or alternative presentation method for the program booklet should the entry be selected as the winner.**
4. Recognized students and their parents/guardians will be invited to a reception and will be recognized by the School Board on **Thursday, November 14, 2019** at 5:45 p.m. in the Fowler LGI. Students will be asked to present/read their essay/project. Please join us for this special occasion. Student names will be inscribed on a permanent plaque housed in each school building.

***Each student recognized will receive a $10.00 gift certificate to Whistlestop Bookshop, a certificate from the School Board, and a medal of honor.***

***Thank you for your participation!***