

Student Recipients



Serena Lum

SASEE recipient **Serena Lum** has put her communication skills to work on behalf of the students at Lake Oswego High School. She has been both a staff member and the editor of Lake Views, the student newspaper. Separately, after watching and participating in the Black Lives Matter protests last spring, she also relaunched a 54 page E-Magazine called “Color.” She knew that “Color” had existed in the past and decided to revive it to give students of color a means to tell their stories and share their experiences.

She reached out to adult editors to help with the publication, and wrote deeply personal essays about her own experiences in Lake Oswego. To quote one of her nominators, “if it were not for Serena’s leadership, I don’t think the project would have gotten off the ground.”

Serena also founded the group, “Students for Anti-Racist Curriculum,” as a means of bringing more information about diversity to classes at school. Through this dedication to equity, as well as her work with both “Color” and the school newspaper, she advocates on events that affect her peers, and uses her journalism to fight for voices that are often underserved. Serena has created a legacy that will continue after she graduates.