**Carlisle Area School District**

**AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK**

**CELEBRATION AND RECOGNITION**

**NOVEMBER 12-16, 2018**

**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.**

**Guidelines**

1. You may create an essay, poem, or multimedia presentation that addresses the essay prompt.
2. **All submissions must be provided to your teacher no later than Monday, October 22, 2018.** You should be sure to include your name on or within your entry.
3. There will be two winners selected at the high school level – one for 9th/10th grades and one for 11th/12th grades.
4. Recognized students and their parents/guardians will be invited to a reception and will be recognized by the School Board on Thursday, November 15, 2018 at 6:00 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!***

***-Mr. K. Wagner***