

Lake Orion High School Dragon Yearbook Program Awards



MIPA
SPARTAN



NSPA
PACEMAKER



CSPA SILVER
CROWN

Awards

In addition to the many and varied individual awards Dragon Yearbook staff members win every year for their outstanding writing, photography, and design, the yearbook as a whole has won the following awards:

Spartan – The Spartan is the Michigan Interscholastic Press Association’s top award for overall quality. The Lake Orion Dragon Yearbook won a Spartan for each of the following years:

1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2006, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2022

In 2003 the Dragon Yearbook was admitted to the MIPA Hall of Fame for 10 consecutive years of producing Spartan award-winning yearbooks.

National Pacemaker - The National Pacemaker Awards are for excellence in American student journalism, generally considered to be the highest national honors in the field and are unofficially known as the “Pulitzer Prize” of student journalism. Pacemakers are awarded annually at the JEA/NSPA National Conference. The Dragon Yearbook won a National Pacemaker in 1998.

In 2015 the Dragon Yearbook won an All American from JEA/NSPA. In 2016 the Dragon Yearbook won a Gold from JEA/NSPA.

Silver Crown - from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. “To make good writing the basis of successful student publications” was one of the earliest goals for the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. From its beginnings in 1925, the CSPA sponsored annual contests to seek out and publicize the best practices in student writing, editing and publishing. Student newspapers and magazines were the earliest formats chosen for these competitions. Student yearbooks were added in 1935. The contests, including the annual Crown Awards and the Gold Circle Awards, select the best from among many entries. The Crown Awards signify overall excellence among student print and online media. The Dragon Yearbook won a Silver Crown award in 2003.