

**Areli Aguilar Garcia**  
**STUDENT OF THE MONTH**  
**Los Altos High School**  
**October 2022**



Senior

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Los Altos High School is proud to honor Areli Aguilar Garcia as our October Student of the Month. It is a privilege to recognize all of her accomplishments throughout her time at Los Altos High School.

Areli is a strong student and is passionate about biology and plans to conduct biomedical research as an undergrad, Ph.D. student, and beyond! As an awardee for Stanford Institutes of Medicine Research's Jessica Lynn Saal Fellowship, she has been invited to return to the same lab this coming summer, and she is looking forward to continuing her research there. She presented research at the California Institute of Regenerative Medicine (CIRM) conference as well as the SIMR Poster Symposium.

Her favorite classes include AP Bio, Biotech, AP Lit, AVID, and Choir! Not only does she like to study science, she likes to make sure other students have the opportunity to, as well. As an outreach co-director for the Science Kit Club, she organizes fundraisers, communicates with local organizations and schools, and helps assemble STEM curriculum kits to provide to local elementary school students in underrepresented communities.

Areli is also a member of the MVLA Speech and Debate Team in the parli event, where she helps translate cards (evidence pieces) in Spanish for students and their families to create a more inclusive environment. She is a member of the AVID and PEAK programs at LAHS.

She is also learning computer science and coding. Last summer, Areli took the Computer Engineers of the Next Generation AP Computer Science Preparation Class. She participated in a beginning Java coding class for high school students to gain skills needed to succeed in AP Computer Science. She also was in the Science Accelerating Girls' Engagement in STEM Summer Camp, a one-week summer camp to inspire girls to pursue a career in STEM. She attended lectures and career talks and job-shadowed researchers at SLAC National Laboratory

Areli is passionate about giving back to her community, taking care of her siblings and tutoring them and her peers in Math and English. During the pandemic and distance learning, she helped her siblings learn to read and stay proficient in Math. She volunteers at Hope's Corner, where she prepares meals for local homeless and low-income families and assists low-income parents pick out toys, clothing, food, and personal hygiene items during the Christmas Toy drive.

Congratulations, Areli Aguilar Garcia, for receiving October Student of the Month and for your amazing success and dedication to give back to your community and school. We can't wait to see all of the amazing accomplishments your future holds!