

STUDENT OF THE  
MONTH  
**Los Altos High School**  
February 2024



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Senior

Los Altos High School is proud to recognize Melanie Marin Martinez. as our February 2024 Student of the Month.

Melanie volunteers weekly at El Camino Hospital where she translates for Spanish-speaking patients or visitors and escorts patients out of the hospital, and provides patients with supplies from WeCare. She also volunteers with the Community Services Agency in Mountain View to provide food to Bay Area families in need every month. As a volunteer receptionist, she helps translate and answer any questions from families and helps register clients to receive meals.

As the secretary of the Latinos in STEM club at LAHS, she works to provide opportunities and encourage students to pursue careers in STEM, and raises awareness about the importance of representation in these fields. In addition to her work with LAHS students, she also works to bring Science education to elementary students in the Bay Area through the Science Kit Club. She works with her team to fundraise and organize materials to create Kits to send to classrooms in underserved communities, and inspire young children to see themselves in STEM regardless of their background.

Melanie also works to provide student representation in the MVLA Superintendent's Advisory Council. As part of the Pathways Subcommittee, she works with fellow students from Los Altos, Mountain View, and Alta Vista to create proposals that will diversify the pathways after graduation that we can prepare students for.

Since last fall, Melanie has served as a Mentor Tutor Connection on the Youth Advisory Council for the city of Mountain View where she provides insight mentor events and training practices, and works to get more potential mentors involved with the program.

Continuing her education in the sciences, her favorite classes have been AP Bio, AP Psych, and Biotechnology. She loves the exploratory and experimental aspects of these classes, and knows she wants to continue learning about STEM and medicine.

After graduation, Melanie hopes to pursue a career in medicine. As she looks to a future career, she knows she wants to focus on addressing the lack of representation in healthcare, and working to make care more equitable, a passion she found while volunteering in El Camino Hospital.

Congratulations Melanie Marin Martinez for receiving February Student of the Month and for all of your amazing success and dedication to give back to your community and school. We can't wait to see all of the amazing accomplishments coming your way in the near future!