

# December 2025 Alta PTSA Hawk Heroes

## Freshmen:

**Charlotte Stokes** – Charlotte was nominated as a Hawk Hero by a fellow Hawk who said, “Charlotte is a great example to others and she is always kind and caring to everyone she meets.” Charlotte, you are a great role model for the rest of us here at Alta, and it’s awesome to have a student like you among us. We are grateful you’re a Hawk. Keep up the great work! Congratulations on this award!

**Ella Riley** – One of Ella’s teachers nominated her as a Hawk Hero for her efforts to be a good and helpful classmate. Her teacher said, “Ella is consistently positive and makes an effort to participate in class. She also goes the extra mile to help other students who might be struggling. She is patient and kind with them. Her willingness to help others makes a difference and has helped our classroom become a welcoming and supportive place for all students.” We are proud of your excellent effort, how you represent Alta, and the kind of high quality student you strive to be. We are grateful you’re a Hawk. Congratulations on this Hawk Hero award!

## Sophomores:

**Ben Wilson** – Ben was nominated as a Hawk Hero by an Alta faculty member, who said, “Ben is always willing to sit with the student on the side of the room, ensures all are included, and goes out of his way to offer his help to his peers in class and musical rehearsals. He is exceptionally kind and one of the best examples of genuine thoughtfulness in the theatre and choir departments!” Ben, that is some high praise for you! Thanks for being such a great all-around person, and for your positive influence on others. Congratulations on this award!

**Nguyen Lan Huong Tran** – One of Nguyen’s teachers nominated her as a Hawk Hero! She said, Nguyen “is absolutely amazing! She is brand new to the States, and has been working so hard and excels in class. She is so sweet and I can see her clear progress in learning how to communicate, participate in class, and ask questions. I am truly impressed.” Nguyen, we are so happy to have you as a student at Alta, and are so proud of your efforts! Keep up the great work! Congratulations on this award!

## Juniors:

**Jaxon Matthews** – Jaxon was nominated for a Hawk Hero award by his ASL teacher, who said, “Jaxon has come a long way from struggling in ASL to really being able to sign in ASL and pulling his grades up! Well done Jaxon! Very proud of your efforts!” Jaxon, we are proud of your persistence and determination. You are a great representative of what we aspire to be like at Alta High, and we are so happy to present you with this Hawk Hero award!

**Sadie Williams** – One of Sadie’s teachers nominated her as a Hawk Hero. She commented that Sadie “is always so kind, often looking out for others and finding ways to make friends with everyone!” Other students and community members say they agree with her teacher’s feelings. Sadie, your efforts don’t go unnoticed. Thanks for helping make Alta a fun and inclusive place to be! We appreciate your efforts! Congratulations on your award!

## Seniors:

**Cheng Huang** – Cheng was nominated for a Hawk Hero award by 2 Alta faculty members! One said, Cheng “is so kind and inviting to EVERYONE! He makes everyone feel welcomed even if he doesn’t run in the “same crowd” as them. I’ve noticed it and other students have mentioned to me that he makes them smile. I’ve heard from other students he will turn in everyone’s work so they can stay seated, asks about their lives and enriches their time here at Alta!!!” Another faculty member commented that “Cheng sat with a student who was upset in the Main Office. The friend was in tears, and Cheng sat next to him with his arm around him comforting him until the kid’s mother showed up to pick him up. Cheng was so respectful and kind to his friend. Cheng listened and kept asking questions to keep his friend talking. After his friend left, Cheng went out to the commons for lunch. I approached Cheng to ask him his name and tell him what a wonderful person I think he is, and his response was ‘I have to be there for my friend.’ You don’t see that kind of caring and concern much these days and for that I think Cheng is a Hawk Hero.” That is some high praise, Cheng! We are proud of your excellent effort, how you represent Alta, and the kind of high quality human you strive to be. Congratulations on this Hawk Hero award!

**Abigail Cook** – Abby was nominated as a Hawk Hero by a fellow student, and also 2 community members. They commented that Abby is competing with the girls golf team and hopes to try out for the swim team this year. In her senior year, she has decided that she wants to be more involved in different clubs and activities to expand her circle of friends and classmates. Abby has an engaging personality, and enjoys seeking out others even if the sole purpose is just making their day better. She is an amazing friend, and very helpful to her teachers. Abby tries to be a friend to all she comes in contact with and is a great asset to the Alta student body. Way to go, Hawk! Keep up the great work!

**Brinley O’Neal** – Two of Brinley’s volleyball coaches nominated her as a Hawk Hero for December. One of Brinley’s coaches said: “Brinley has been an inspiration to all at Alta. While she has been battling cancer and going through chemotherapy treatments, she still comes to games and supports her volleyball team, and other teams throughout the year. While Brinley is fighting for her life, she inspires students and teachers here at Alta to have the positivity each day that she displays to be able to do hard things. She has been a huge example of strength and resilience to our girls’ volleyball team!” Brinley, we are so sorry for the difficulties you are struggling through, and also want you to know we support you, and are so grateful you’re a Hawk! You are definitely a Hawk Hero!

Congrats to our December PTSA Hawk Heroes!