

# NEW YORK STATE NYSATA ATHLETIC TRAINERS' ASSOCIATION

## THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



ARTURO (ROY) FLORES, MS, ATC

Welcome to November! Or as we call it, the seasons crossover. I hope you are all well and getting enough rest and "me" time. If you are not, please schedule some into your days and week.

Remember that your CEUs are due this December. It is **40 + 10 EBP credits**. The new BOC reporting website is up and running. NATA recently posted the **renewal plans** for the membership. If you need to make use of the payment plan option, please inquire on the [NATA website](#).

I want to start off this newsletter with a huge **"Thank you!"**. Our hashtag, #atweekny2021, took off on social media during our NYSATA Athletic Trainers' Recognition week. It is gre**AT** to be recognized during this time, but I want to express that you are appreciated and recognized every day. And I hope the momentum of this week carries through to NATM in March. I know we are in a time where our profession is thin. Many employers are still searching for athletic trainers to complete their staff. Many of us feel overworked. We give all we can to our student-athletes and patients. Just make sure to schedule times for yourself. You need the rest and mindfulness as much as we preach it to them. Make use of it and check on one another!

Remember to work within our current practice act. Have your supervising physician update your standing orders. We must continue to be advocates of athletic training. Whether you are a certified athletic trainer, a dual certified professional, an athletic training student or a retired AT, you must continue to share your passion for athletic training with everyone you speak to. This is how we improve the awareness of our profession. Later in this newsletter, I have a piece about my conversations with the ATEP in New York State. I hope the words inspire you.

As always, I want to hear from you all. Feedback and comments help us to determine what the athletic trainers in our state need. NYSATA cannot negotiate

### SAVE THE DATES

#### EATA Convention

January 7-10, 2020

Foxwoods Resort & Casino  
Mashantucket, CT

#### Nominations Open

for NYSATA President-Elect,  
Secretary, Regions 4, 5,  
6, and 7 Reps  
January 8, 2022

#### Deadline for NYSATA Conference Proposal Submissions

January 15, 2022

#### National Athletic Training Month

March 2022

#### Virtual Town Hall Meetings

"Getting to Know Your  
Candidates"  
April 2022

#### NYSATA Elections

May 1-14, 2022

#### NYSATA Conference

June 10-11, 2022  
Schenectady, NY

#### NATA Clinical Symposia & AT Expo

June 28 - July 1, 2022  
Philadelphia, PA

salary contracts like a union can, but we can provide you with resources to strengthen the conversations with administrators. I also encourage involvement for those who want to expand their professional development. There are currently many openings within all our membership associations, including District 2 and EATA.

Did you know that you could attend three athletic training conventions this year? EATA will be at Foxwoods in January, Our NYSATA conference will be in Schenectady in June and the NATA Symposia and Expo will be in Philadelphia in June. I encourage all of you to try to attend at least one of these meetings. These are great ways to network with other athletic trainers and to share what you are doing in your athletic training rooms and facilities. I am really pushing for these meetings because we will also have our state business meetings at EATA and NYSATA. We have a lot of information to share and for the membership to participate in. There will be multiple positions posted in our elections this upcoming year. This year, I have also tasked our executive committee to update our association bylaws. This is a large task, and it requires involvement from our state membership. This information will be sent out to the membership for review before we call for a vote at our January state meeting at EATA.

I do want to share an observation with you, regarding our state and district. We are way behind the other three states in District 2! Legislation and licensure aside, our state cannot keep up with the call to actions and reports needed from our athletic trainers. Two states recently had an ATLAS challenge, urging their secondary school athletic trainers to complete the national form. We were not included. The other states have events for their membership. Very few of the same faces show up to our events. When we call for action in our state, we barely get 30% of the members to be involved. There is only one thing to say: **WE NEED TO BE BETTER!** Being complacent and complaining about the current situation does not offer any solutions to the issues. Where is the buy in? Why must an incentive be created? This should be part of your professional responsibility! When you are a member of the association, you can see the progress and evolution of the profession, offer feedback and debate to find solutions. This newsletter is me preaching to the choir, and in turn, those of you reading and listening need to strongly encourage the many that are not in the room with us. Your passion for athletic training should not only be expressed in the state meeting room or by liking posts and tweets. It is developing new and creating unique individualized posts for your social media. Sharing the information with those who have not heard it first-hand is an extension of your passion for athletic training.

TAKE WHAT DRIVES AND MOTIVATES YOU AND CREATE INSPIRATION FOR THE NEXT PERSON!

We want anyone with a title of athletic trainer in New York State to be represented and recognized. Many of you are doing good things, but we cannot share these things because you are not members of NYSATA, or we simply do not know about it.

I do not want to take away from the things you all are doing. I understand that your time and knowledge is important and valuable. It should not go unappreciated. We always love to hear the great news coming from our membership. Athletic trainers have done many things in our state, and we have recognized many people. Continue to share the information with your region representatives so the leadership can share it with our members. Thank you all for what you do, helping your patients and athletes, advocating for yourselves, and elevating the profession.

Please feel free to [email me](#) with any questions, comments, or concerns.

Roy

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## In Memorial

NYSATA is sad to share that Jenna Tacinelli Hach, the assistant athletic training program director at Dominican College, passed away in August of 2021 after battling brain cancer since late 2019 (this following a number of years of successful remission).



Jenna earned her undergraduate degree in athletic training at Canisius College and worked as an AT and educator in New York State for her entire career. As a professor at Dominican (starting in 2007), she was considered by many as a mentor, friend, confidant, and a colleague. Jenna was a person in the trenches, behind the scenes, and embodied quality in everything she did. She meant a great deal to her students and colleagues and so her friends at and from Dominican College are establishing an award in her name for students studying in an allied health program. For those interested in donating, please use the link at the end of this paragraph. Once you click on the link, the drop down menu will ask *Please direct my gift to one of the following*, donors should select 'Other' and then make a note for the funds to go to the *Jenna Hach Scholarship*. [DONATE HERE](#)

"I know the impact that she has had on this world through the love and grace that she showed everyone she met. She was a beautiful person both inside and out. I think it is safe to say the world is a bit dimmer without her laugh and bright eyes shining in it." - Leland Hach



## Conference & Program

Aimee Brunelle, MS, ATC - Chair

NYSATA welcomes proposal submissions for the [2022 NYSATA Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposia, June 10-11, 2022 in Schenectady NY](#) from NATA members and nonmembers. Be sure to read the proposal guidelines prior to submission. **The deadline for submission is January 15, 2022.**

## 2022 Theme: Head, Hands, and Hips

Proposals falling within this theme will be given higher consideration, however, all proposals will be reviewed and considered.

### **We are still looking for members to join the Conference Committee!**

- **Program committee:** place the call for proposals, collect them, pass them along to the PRC, finalize the program, among other tasks. Also works with our BOC chair and conference moderator.
- **Sponsors/vendors:** To help defer the cost of the conference (and pass those savings onto our membership), this volunteer will help solicit sponsorships and plan for the vendors. We have an established list of contacts, but are always looking to grow.  
**Social activities:** We want to make this a family fun weekend, and in addition to the Friday evening conference social, we plan to have other activities available. What are they? This is where you can help!
- **Technology:** We hope to have a new conference platform; are you good with online tech? If so, we can use you here!  
**Silent auction:** Yes, we are hoping to have an online silent auction this year, available for anyone, anywhere! We will need this volunteer to help identify and request donations from non-sponsors/vendors. Also to work with the technology volunteer to set up photos and descriptions online.

**You will not be doing this on your own!** I will be working right alongside you, to help with continuity of experiences .... Many hands make light work!

Contact [Aimee Brunelle](#) with any questions!

## Importance of Advocacy and Participation for Athletic Training Students

In the week leading up to NYSATA Athletic Trainer Recognition week in NYS, NYSATA president Roy Flores had the opportunity to meet with many Athletic Training Education Programs (ATEP) in the state. In a typical ATEP, students learn evaluation and rehab skills that will be used throughout their careers. During Flores' "virtual presidential tour of the state," he instead focused on providing a space for faculty and athletic training students to discuss the other side of athletic training: advocacy, networking, and involvement.

One main goal for Flores during his tour was to encourage more participation by athletic training students and athletic trainers at every level. Advocating for the profession is a great way to get involved, and it can be done in a variety of ways depending on a person's comfort level. Attending lobby day and calling your legislators is great, but advocacy can also be as simple as sharing what you do with the patients on the treatment table, talking to the guardian/parent of an athlete about the next steps of resolving an injury, or greeting and introducing yourself to an administrator on a sideline.

In addition to advocating for the profession, there are plenty of ways to get involved. Many athletic trainers believe to be involved means being a part of leadership or heading up a committee. But this is not the case. It is about being in the room where you hear what is going on with your profession, meeting other athletic trainers, and networking. Attending meetings and hearing presentations about the newest research and special interests will put you in the position to learn, network, and possibly meet your next employer or mentor.

Another way to get involved is providing feedback to those who are in leadership positions to help bring NYSATA in a direction that will benefit all members. Athletic training students should not feel anxious about talking with leaders within the profession. At the end of the day, these leaders are athletic trainers, and athletic trainers love to share their experiences with new people entering the profession and hear about new ideas on how to advance the profession.

Following Roy Flores' virtual tour of the state, faculty and students wrote in to provide feedback and express their appreciation. You can read some of that feedback below.

*Jessika Candileri (2022), Brockport College*

"It's exciting to see advocates for Athletic Training that truly love what they do and are passionate about the direction we are going as a profession. Roy motivated me to get more involved in the conversations on both a state and national level."

*Samantha Ruiz (2022), Ithaca College*

"It was really refreshing to know that an important member of our governing body is so down to earth and easy to talk to. Really puts the idea of 'everyone puts their pants on one leg at a time' into perspective."

*Katie Botterbusch (2022), Stony Brook University*

"Listening to Roy speak about the profession was both engaging and refreshing. His dedication and advocacy for athletic training was inspiring and encouraged me to seek further information on how to become a better advocate as an Athletic Training student!"

*Adam Tamburello (2022), Stony Brook University*

"After hearing Roy speak, you can see the passion he has after so many years in the profession. It's clear that athletic training is what he was meant to do, and I hope to try and emulate that enthusiasm as I begin my professional career."

*Olivia Shipley (2022), Stony Brook University*

"It is inspiring to see how hard people work to become athletic trainers and how hard they work to help their athletes"

*Yvonne Chen, EMT-B (2022), Stony Brook University*

"After attending the meeting and listening to Roy talk about his career and the committees he is a part of it was remarkable to see how much work he puts into the Athletic Training profession in his down time, and free time is rare as a collegiate Athletic Trainer. Through his passion for the Athletic Training profession, I was inspired to research the NYSATA EDAC committee and have looked into being a part of the committee as a student."

*Michael Brech (2023), Stony Brook University*

"I found that talking to people and making connections is important in advocating Athletic Training as a profession. Many people do not know all that we do, and as athletic trainers, we can advocate what we do by explaining that athletic training is much more than just taping ankles and running onto the field when someone goes down. We do treatments, education, prevention, and we connect with our athletes so they can trust us throughout their recovery process."

*Rakeem Chambers (2023), Stony Brook University*

"It's better to fail than not to try "

*Catherine Ledbetter (2023) Huntington Station, NY*

"What I found interesting with Roy's presentation is how closely knit the AT world really is & how relationships can start within a few months of starting AT school."

*Emma Fasolino (2023) Cutchogue, NY*

"Advocating and educating coaches and other professionals is just as important as educating patients and athletes about what we do."

*William Smith (2023) Jamaica, NY*

"I thought that the session with Roy was really good. He was very informative about different organizations we can join and how we can impact the profession as a whole by exposing more people to what athletic trainers do."

*Taylor Winthrop (2022), Stony Brook University*

"Roy brought up really great points about advocacy for the profession of athletic training. This topic isn't talked about enough and it's important for us to learn different ways to advocate for athletic trainers."

*Lisa Komnik, ATC, Faculty, Stony Brook University*

"I really responded to Roy's advice on how to network. To introduce yourself to everyone- especially when you see someone you know talking to someone you do not. I think that is a valuable and very applicable piece of advice that was shared."

*Kathy Koshansky, ATC, Faculty, Stony Brook University*

"It's important for students to engage with leaders and hear about their passion for the profession, experiences within the profession and vision for the profession. Having this opportunity opens the door for students to get involved at an early stage in their careers or at least start thinking about it!"

*Dr. Tim Henry, ATC, Faculty, Brockport College*

"Roy is an outstanding advocate for Athletic Training in New York State and provided an outstanding example of a role model for our students to emulate. His passion and enthusiasm for Athletic Training was evident to all of our students and inspired them to become more involved in the NYSATA."



## NYSATA Legislative Update

Karin Carreau, Carreau Consulting

### Navigating the New Landscape

Given the legislative members gavel out in mid-June, the summer and fall months in Albany, generally tend to be a bit less dramatic at the capitol. This year however, it has been anything but quiet in Albany. On August 24, Kathy Hochul, our first female governor was sworn in. Governor Hochul hails from Buffalo, where she served as the Erie County Clerk, then represented the 26th Congressional District, and, in 2015, ascended to the Lieutenant Governor post where she served until taking on her new role in August. As

Lieutenant Governor she had a strong presence on the ground and visited each of the 62 counties every year, championing small businesses, economic development, and child welfare issues, particularly, access to childcare. Thus far, her agenda has focused on increasing vaccination rates, distributing rent and cash assistance appropriated in the budget, gun violence prevention, and appointing her new cabinet.

Chief among those appointments was her Lieutenant Governor, Brian Benjamin, a former Senator representing the 30<sup>th</sup> District, which encompasses Harlem, East Harlem, and the Upper West Side. He is a graduate of Brown College, where he received a bachelor's degree in political science and then an MBA from Harvard. His career thus far has had a strong focus on racial equity issues spanning the gamut of socio economic to criminal justice issues.

The new Governor gave herself a 45-day deadline (from the day she was sworn in) to review administration appointees, request resignations and reappoint her own team. The most high-profile appointments being the Secretary to the Governor. Karen Persichilli Keogh, who is known in political circles by her initials KPK, will become Secretary to the Governor, the highest-ranking appointed position in the state. She is succeeding Melissa DeRosa and Elizabeth (Liz) Fine. Liz Fine served as counsel to Attorney General Janet Reno and President Bill Clinton, counsel to the Clinton-Gore presidential campaign, and general counsel for the New York City Council under Speaker Christine Quinn.

Robert Mujica will remain as Budget Director. Meanwhile, a number of Agency Commissioners have been (or are in process of being) replaced.

No sooner did Governor Hochul take the oath of office, and the media began reporting on potential challenges from members of her own party in the upcoming 2022 primary. By all press accounts, Attorney General Letitia James is expected to announce her run, New York City Public Advocate Jumaane Williams is moving closer to challenging the governor, saying he will soon be touring the state as he weighs a bid. Williams ran a competitive race against Hochul for Lieutenant Governor in 2018. Comptroller Tom DiNapoli is also rumored to be mulling a run. Despite this robust field of challengers, or more to the point, because of it, Jay Jacobs, Chair of the Democratic party, endorsed Governor Hochul in early October.

In the midst of all such volleying, all Senate and Assembly members are readying for the 2022 Elections as all their seats will be up for re-election. While Republicans will be attempting to wrestle some control back, several Democratic legislators are already facing primary challenges, a number that is all but certain to grow in the coming weeks as the political left gets ready to expand on its electoral success in recent years. Insurgent candidates' ultimate success, however, will depend heavily on the ongoing redistricting process for legislative districts, which is set to conclude early next year.

In the midst of such a landscape, your Government Relations Team has continued to work on your behalf. Primarily our work has been focused on the licensing bill, where we have engaged our sponsors, pertinent legislators, and their staff, as well as stakeholders. As always, we encourage you to continue to engage with your legislators and request their support in advancing the bill across the finish line.



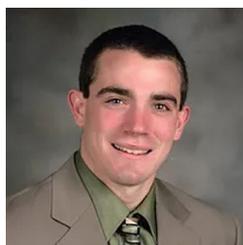
## Governmental Affairs Report

Aimee Brunelle, MS, ATC and Deanna Errico, PT, DPT, ATC - Co-Chairs

The NYSATA Government Affairs Committee continues to work through the fall to prepare for the legislative session, which begins in January. Twice in October, as well as multiple times over the summer, the GA committee chairs have met with the Assembly sponsor Solages. They have also had a mediated meeting with representatives from the New York Physical Therapy Association to discuss language in the bill. Slight edits will be made and the bill will again be reviewed by the State Education Department to ensure understanding and applicability.

Once the bill is updated, we will share the link with you, we will again push our VoterVoice requests, as well as requests for signing the Get in the Game letter. Each time there are changes, it is necessary to sign again and call/visit again. We will also have a legislative advocacy page on the NATA website – and you will receive solicitation for signing a letter that will go to your lawmaker. This licensure bill will protect the scope of practice of the athletic trainer in New York State, not just the AT title; it will update the scope, and better protect the public.

We came so close last year, and our sponsors and the Higher Education committees understand how important it is to get this bill on their agendas early – we feel confident it will happen this year! We need **everyone** to be engaged this spring! To set that groundwork, we ask that you start this fall by making a connection with your legislators. For those in the secondary schools, colleges, and universities, invite your legislator to your athletic training facility! Show them what it is you do. Show them we truly are health care providers! **We need your engagement** to get this across the finish line!



## Membership & Nominations

Christopher Napoli, MS, ATC - Chair

On September 27 the NYSATA Membership and Nominations Committee held its first enrichment event on financial planning. Doug Keller, Financial advisor, CPA from First Command spoke to our membership on why it is important to financially plan, how to financially plan, and then took numerous questions from the audience. If you have any questions in financial advising feel free to contact Doug Keller at 516-698-5113 and tell him you are a NYSATA member, and you will receive a free financial consultation session.

### Elections

Are you ready to help advance the profession on the state level? Elections are on the horizon! In January 2022, the following positions will be open for nominations: President-Elect, Secretary, and Region Representatives for Regions 4, 5, 6, and 7. Only members that reside in a region are eligible for Regional Representative positions.

Nominations open January 8, 2022, and the nomination form will be available [online](#). All nominations must be submitted electronically.

Virtual Town Hall Meetings, "Getting to know your Candidates", will begin in April: Regional Representatives April 4-15, Secretary April 18-22, and President Elect April 25-29. Exact dates and times of these town hall meetings will be available in March 2022.

Elections will be conducted from May 1 through May 14, 2022.

# NYSATA Account Balance

David J. Byrnes, MS, ATC - Treasurer

(as of October 26, 2021)

<b>MUTUAL FUNDS/ ETFs</b>	<b>Market Value</b>	<b>Quantity Held</b>
Alerian MLP ETF	\$6,510.06	177
Blackrock Credit Strategies	\$12,634.80	1225.49
PCY Invesco ETF Emerging Markets	\$13,312.50	500
SPDR Doubleline Tactical ETF	\$38,248.72	800
Vanguard Malvern Short Term ETF	\$15,646.50	300.00
Vanguard Intermdiate Term ETF	\$11,228.40	120
Vanguard Short Term ETF	\$12,284.25	150
<b>U.S. COMMON STOCK</b>	<b>Market Value</b>	<b>Quantity Held</b>
AT&T Inc	\$13,466.00	525
Ares Capital	\$17,120.00	800
Blackstone Group	\$28,173.88	200
CVS	\$10,841.25	125
Illinois Tool Works	\$9,004.00	40
Johnson & Johnson	\$9,858.90	60
Kellogg Company	\$8,649.90	140
Mondelez Intl Inc	\$7,586.25	125
Pfizer	\$17,256.76	400
Proctor & Gamble	\$14,202.00	100
Prudential	\$11,453.00	100
Unilever	\$9,465.75	175
Viatis	\$666.89	49
Verizon	\$7,915.50	150
<b>PREFERRED STOCK</b>		
AT&T Inc	\$10,714.00	400
<b>CORPORATE BONDS</b>	<b>Market Value</b>	<b>Quantity Held</b>
Viacom	\$21,240.75	
Boeing	\$15,002.40	
<b>Wells Fargo Deposit Account (Investment)</b>	\$29,179.11	
<b>Checking Account</b>	\$12,969.32	
<b>Account Total</b>	<b>\$364,630.89</b>	

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### Awards

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### Conference and Program

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Deanna Errico, PT, DPT, ATC  
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### Research/Injury

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## The NYSATA Newsletter

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# AT YOUR OWN RISK

## Got NPI#?

If you do, then thank you! If not, why not? It is free, quick, and easy to do. It helps to show that you and rest of our profession are legitimate medical providers. You can only benefit from getting it, there are no negatives. For more information on getting your NPI# or to apply, go to the [NATA website](#).

## Regional Reps

### Region 1 LI

Nassau, Suffolk  
 Kristin LoNigro MEd, ATC  
 Hofstra University

### Region 1 NYC

Richmond, Kings, Queens, Bronx, New York  
 Will Zinser, MS, ATC  
 Harkness Center fo Dance Injuries

### Region 2

Westchester, Rockland,  
 Putnam, Sullivan, Orange, Dutchess, Ulster  
 Michael Mirabella, MS, ATC, CSCS  
 White Plains High School

### Region 3

Montgomery, Delaware, Fulton, Greene,  
 Otsego, Saratoga, Albany, Rensslear,  
 Schenectady, Columbia, Washington,  
 Schoharie, Herkimer  
 Kyle Roepnack, ATC  
 Herkimer College



### Region 4

Jefferson, Lewis, St. Lawrence, Franklin,  
 Hamilton, Clinton, Essex, Warren  
 Jason Pachter, MS, ATC, CSCS  
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### Region 5

Chemung, Tioga, Broome, Oswego,  
 Cayuga, Seneca, Oneida, Cortland,  
 Onondaga, Madison, Tompkins,  
 Schuyler  
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 Cornell University

### Region 6

Livingston, Ontario, Monroe, Yates,  
 Stueben, Wayne  
 Jarett Rhoads, MEd., ATC, CSCS  
 Eastridge High School

### Region 7

Orleans, Cattaraugus, Genesee,  
 Wyoming, Erie, Niagara,  
 Allegany, Chautauqua  
 Jacob Habemehl, MS, ATC, ACLS  
 Buffalo State College

## Regional Reports



### Region 1 LI

Kristin LoNigro, MEd, ATC

Recently, Said Hamdan served as the Athletic Trainer for the grand re-opening of Holcombe Rucker Park on an invitation from the NBA Players Association. Dignitaries included Dr. J and Tiny Archibald.

Danny Stevens and the Deer Park Football team participated in NY AT week with the team wearing the NY AT logo stickers on their helmets

### Stony Brook University

Iota Tau Alpha - Alpha Nu inducted its new members and elected board on May 10, 2021. Congratulations!

We look forward to resuming activities in 2021-22.



Pictured: Olivia Shipley, Caitlin Fitzpatrick, Bryan Rengifo (secretary), Jordan Rucks (treasurer), Adam Tamburello (president), Taylor Winthrop, Talia Stagnitta (vice president) and Sophia LaMarca (historian)

Congratulations to our **inaugural** Master of Science athletic training graduates – the class of 2021 and new ATs who graduated In-Person on May 21, 2021. We are very proud of their perseverance through a very challenging time in the world. Congratulations and good luck!

*Pictured Right: Joanna Kurzyrna, Matthew Messick, Jasmine Davis, Chaoyang Qu, Presnel Dalmeus, Savannah Peters, Cedric Myrthil, Hannah Palau, and Sterling Escoto*



In May, Stony Brook University welcomed 12 new graduate students into our third master's cohort - the Class of 2023! We are excited to work with them over the next two years and prepare them to be awesome athletic trainers. You can see their activities if you follow us on social media.

*Pictured Right: front: Catherine Ledbetter, Aundrea Knapp, Emma Fasolino, Gabriella Fernandes; back: Patrick Briody, William Smith, Rakeem Chambers, Andres Pulgarin, Michael Brech, Patrick Reilly and Brandon Ross*



Stony Brook held an in person graduation ceremony for the "forgotten" class of 2020 on September 10, 2021, which was our final undergraduate cohort. Joining us that day to celebrate her class was Jada Tyson, ATC (pictured bottom right). The rest were working or in grad school which is a good thing. Congratulations Reginald Archer, Caitlyn Bucco, Nicholas Bufinsky, Julien Chang, Samantha Cherry, Guillermo Escobar, Cortney Evola, Joseph Grispin, Wilson Hsieh, Jared Lee, Eireann McGrath, Kevin Schneider, Jada Tyson, Schuyler Withington, Shing Zhao and Na Zheng!

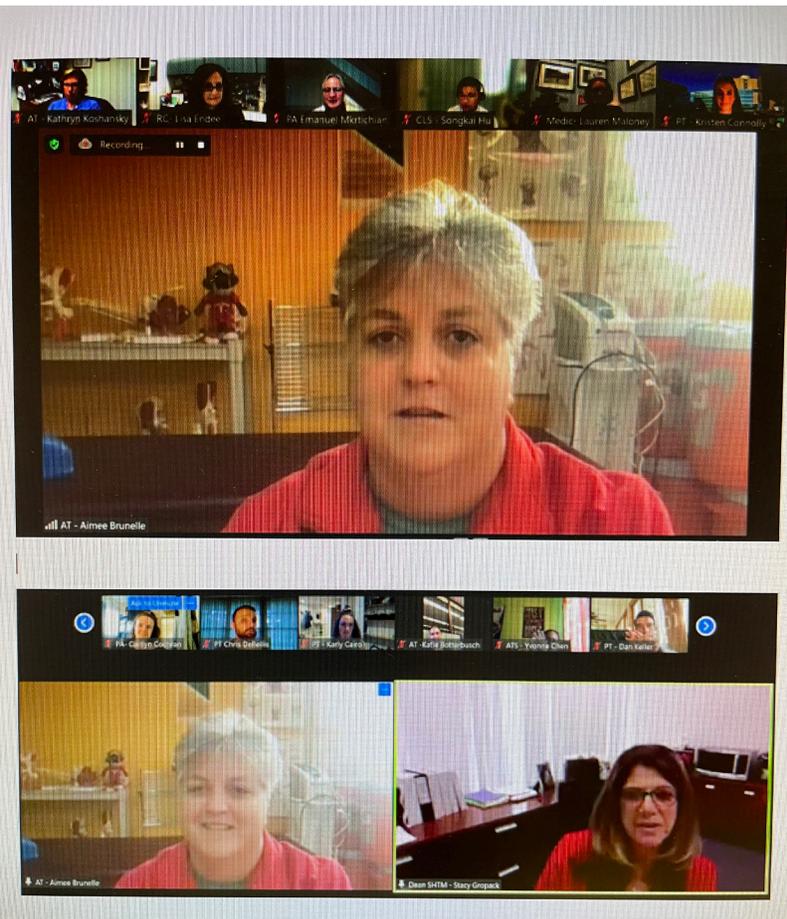
On October 21, 2021, the Athletic Training Program proudly honored Aimee Brunelle, ATC '95 (pictured next page) as its recipient for the School of Health Technology and Management Outstanding Alumni Award. We are happy to have the opportunity to recognize Aimee for all of her contributions to the university, the program and the profession. Congratulations Aimee!



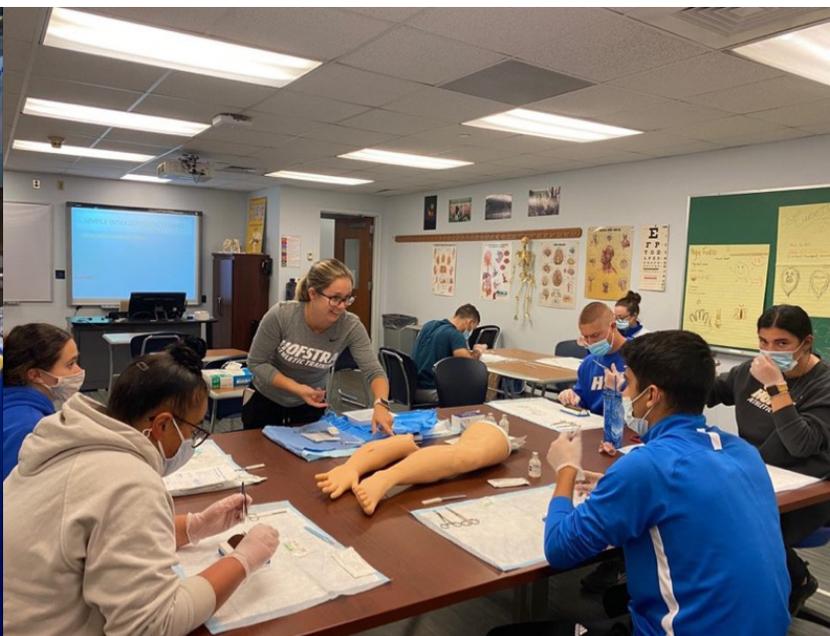
### Hofstra University

September the new E-board for Hofstra Athletic Training Society (HATS) were elected.

Pictured below: Skylar Cirullo (President), Joe Dietze (Vice-President), Kylie Florio (Secretary) and Amelia Linsalata (Treasurer)



Hofstra Athletic Training Society finished their October breast cancer campaign with T-shirt sales to assist in raising funds for the Hewlitt House. The club also held a suturing workshop led by Alumni Kaitlin Santisteban PA, ATC from Northshore University Hospital.



This May we will graduate the last BSAT cohort and begin the [new MSAT program](#). We are excited for our first cohort to begin in June.



## Region 2

Michael Mirabella, MS, ATC, CSCS

Jennifer Lopez Ramírez performed CPR at Far Rockaway Beach on a 17 year old boy who drowned back in September. She performed three rounds of compressions before an EMT arrived. There was no lifeguard on duty. Jennifer helped the EMT with measuring a NPA and opening up the oxygen tank. They were able to revive the swimmer and the EMT transported him to the hospital.

Jennifer is a Hofstra University, class of 2020, graduate and was scheduled to take the NATABOC exam in October.

Mike Mirabella, White Plains HS, Meg Greiner, Hendrick Hudson HS, and numerous other ATs and schools throughout Section 1 made announcements during games for NY AT Week.

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