

**Barrett Wong**  
STUDENT OF THE MONTH  
**Los Altos High School**  
September 2020



Senior

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Los Altos High School is proud to congratulate Barrett Wong for receiving September Student of the month. It is a thrill to recognize you for your dedication to the school, community, and passions on and off campus.

Barrett is profoundly well rounded, participating in countless extracurricular activities ranging from the Talon to many clubs on campus. He is part of the finance and investment club, and the culture club at LAHS. Barrett has also been a staff writer and photographer for the Talon since sophomore year, with photography being a main passion of his.

During his free time, Barret shoots with his camera around town. He says that each photo he captures is unique and different from the rest, and hopes to continue to pursue photography throughout his life. Barret's latest work for the Talon has been an article on NBA players advocating for equal rights for Black Lives Matter Movement. This has become one of the most important and relevant articles he has gotten to write for the Talon.

Barrett is not only involved on campus throughout the school year, but in the summer as well. Ever since sophomore year, he has been working the summer shift at Los Altos, helping out as a student worker by assisting the administration set up for the upcoming school year. Barrett felt as though this year was the most impactful, as the staff relied on the students to manage the distribution of materials for distance learning. Barrett has dedicated over one hundred hours working at the school over the summer, and while his original motive may have been for some extra cash, once he invested more time into it, he enjoyed spending time with staff off school hours and getting to know them as individuals rather than just teachers. He also took a liking to a majority of the kids he was working with came back not as much for the money, but to help the community and maintain the relationships he had established earlier in the year. Barrett participated in cross country and track for three years and he feels as though it is one of his biggest accomplishments. He stated that finishing each race and persevering past the mental challenges was always a moment of pride for him.

Barrett wants to thank his parents for pushing him to be the best he can be and supporting him to reach the level where he is today. His upcoming goal is to learn new hobbies, such as building his film skills through mastering video editing software. Barrett hopes to pursue business in the future but is ready for new passions and career paths that may come his way. In between filming, running, and whatever else he is pursuing at the moment, he enjoys getting exercise and de-stressing by playing video games on his computer. If the audience should take away one essential belief of Barrett Wong,

it would be that mint chocolate chip is the best ice-cream flavor out there - and no, it isn't up for debate.

Congratulations Barrett Wong for receiving September Student of the Month and for all of your amazing success and dedication to give back to your community and school. Can't wait to see all of the amazing accomplishments coming your way in the near future!