



## Kiwanis Honors Temple City High School Students Jenny Chen and Elaine Shu January 19, 2021



The Kiwanis Club of Temple City recognized two outstanding students from Temple City High School. During this time of pandemic our club recognized these great students at a virtual Zoom meeting.



**Jenny** is 16 years old and in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade. She is in Ms. Gewecke's class. She enjoys going on walks with her parents, playing the piano, learning software, and reading physics and science magazines. Jenny said, "The best things about TCHS are the student culture and environment, everyone tries to help each other and expose them to new opportunities, and the student-run STEM clubs such as Infinity Math, and Science Olympiad." The best thing that ever happened was being accepted and attending Caltech Community Science Academy. It gave her a taste of what science means in a professional lab setting.

If she could change one thing, it would be that everyone would be able to access adequate health care despite where they live. If Jenny could build one thing, it would be a machine that could efficiently filter pollution out of the atmosphere. Personal goals she is striving for are to make memorable experiences in 2021, to do well in Physics Olympiad and Science Bowl, and to treat everyone including herself with understanding and empathy.



**Elaine** is 16 years old and in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade. She is in Mr. Raul Acevedo's class. She enjoys playing tennis, cinematography, reading, and painting. Elaine said, "The best things about the TCHS are the student community, my teachers, and my tennis team." The best things that ever happened were all the small accomplishments in life such as, a tennis match well played, or earning a high score in something she struggled with.

If she could change one thing, it would be to find a balance between her ambition and laziness. If Elaine could do one thing, it would be to write a book and have it made into a movie. Personal goals Elaine is striving for is the launching the Get 5's platform by the end of January, leading her National Ocean Sciences Bowl to do well at competition, and uphold her first place rank at the regional SkillsUSA competition.

Each month the Temple City Kiwanis Club is pleased to recognize outstanding students and their teachers from La Rosa, Cloverly, Emperor, Longden, Oak Avenue, Dr. Doug Sears Learning Center, and Temple City High School. Students receive a certificate, a letter for their parents, and a bumper sticker. Their photo and story will be posted on the Temple City Unified School District website and on their Facebook page.

Temple City Kiwanis has been serving our community since 1939. Members are dedicated men and women who desire to make a difference in the quality of life for the youth of Temple City. Kiwanis normally meets at 12:00 noon each Tuesday at North Wood's Inn Restaurant. To find out more about Kiwanis, please contact Jerry Jambazian at (626) 643-9460. You can also visit their website at [www.templecitykiwanis.org](http://www.templecitykiwanis.org).