

## Environmental Horticulture

Selected Student: Quinn Cahoon

Submitted by: Mike Gonella

Quinn is an exemplary student, both confident and mature, posing interesting questions and discerning comments that indicate he is thinking about the subject matter more deeply than most other students. He is respectful, as well as outspoken, often questioning methods and information given to him. He reminds me of the graduate students I used to teach – inquisitive and seeking knowledge, but mature, advanced, and discerning. This desire to understand subjects at a deeper level, and think for himself, set Quinn apart from many other students. Further, he is a hard working employee, has a great sense of humor, and his unique opinions and creative ideas help make our campus instructional garden beautiful and functional.

### Quinn's Words of Gratitude:

I am incredibly grateful for my family, my friends, and Santa Barbara City College.

Above all though, for the Environmental Horticulture department. It taught me work ethic; that you only get results equatable to the amount of effort you put in. Without the department, and more specifically Dr. Mike Gonella, I do not think I would be as successful as I am today. I am eternally grateful for the opportunities that have been made available to me through the Environmental Horticulture department and by Dr. Gonella.