Excellence in Education Banquet



May 2, 2017

Influential Educators 2017

Selected By Academicians at Naperville Central High School

Sarah Albiniak - Communication Arts, NCHS

David Ashton - Social Science, NCHS

Mike Bochenski - Social Science, NCHS

Seth Brady - Social Science, NCHS

James Braun - Mathematics, NCHS

Carin Chidley - Fifth Grade, Meadow Glens

Stacy Cunningham - Latin, NCHS

Dennis Emge - Electrical Engineer at KLA Tencor

Brandon Estes - Band Director, NCHS

Leslie Free - Mathematics, NCHS

James Galanis - Social Science, NCHS

Kathleen Gasser - Spanish, NCHS

Thomas Gebbie - Mathematics, NCHS

Crystal Griffith - General Science, NCHS

Kevin Hayes - Business Education, NCHS

Annette Hennessy - Communication Arts, NCHS

Christopher Hodge - Art, NCHS

Todd Holmberg - Social Science, NCHS

Michael Jarvis - Science, NCHS

Katharina Linder - IC - Humanities, NCHS

Adam Lyon - Senior Scientist, Fermilab

Kelly Mielcarz - Vocal Music, NCHS

Bradley Neubauer - Business Education, NCHS

Cathleen O'Boyle - Social Science, Madison Jr. High

Cheri Paladino - Gifted, River Woods Elementary

Megan Plackett - Learning Support Coach, NCHS

Karen Randolph - Fourth Grade, Maplebrook

Melissa Sallee - Ballet teacher

Katherine Seguino - IC - Science, NCHS

Maria Warren - Spanish, NCHS

Steven Wiesbrook - Science, NCHS

Selected By Academicians at Naperville North High School

Charles Bey - Social Studies, Richland School District

Timothy Brown - Learning Support Coach, NNHS

Elizabeth Brucker - Chemistry, NNHS

Piling Chiu - Chinese, NNHS

Susan Gedz - Kindergarten, Prairie Elementary

Dana Green - Orchestra, Vernon Hills High School

Kathy Heinsohn - Learning Behavior Specialist, NNHS

Brian Horner - Gifted, Meadow Glens Elementary

Tara Jewell - Retired

Edward Joyce - Latin, NNHS

Jonathan Justice - German, NNHS

Lew Kasten - Asst. Swim Coach, NCHS

Mary Kienstra - Gifted, Beebe Elementary

Janell Matas - Art, NNHS

Jeremy Mayne - Owner, Mayneland Farm

Elizabeth Moore - Mathematics, NNHS

Stephanie Moore - Reading Specialist, NNHS

Geoff Ng - Youth Pastor Intern

Brian Nierman - Communication Arts, NNHS

Maureen Nolan - Gifted, Retired

Suzi Overly - Department Secretary, NNHS

Sandy Parato - Communication Arts, NNHS

Thomas Parry - Communication Arts, NNHS

Robert Platt - Social Science, NNHS

Mark Rowzee - Physics, NNHS

Rose Salzman - Special Education, NNHS

Geoffrey Schmit - Science/Business Education, NNHS

Brenna Verdier - French, NNHS

Jay Wachtel - IC - Vocational Education, NNHS

John Wright - Social Science, NNHS

Program

The Excellence in Education Banquet honors the highest achieving academicians graduating from Naperville Community Unit School District 203 and some of the educators who have influenced them on their way to excellence. This program is made possible by Naperville Community Unit School District 203 and the Naperville Education Foundation. The Board of Education congratulates our honorees and their families.

OPENING REMARKS

Nancy Voise, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education

INTRODUCTIONS

Kristin Fitzgerald, Board of Education

STUDENT REMARKS

Julie Park, Class of 2017, Naperville Central High School "Authentically Me"

Alejandra Rodriguez, Class of 2017, Naperville North High School "Leaving the World Better Than You Found It"

PRESENTATIONS

William Wiesbrook, Principal, Naperville Central High School Stephanie Posey, Principal, Naperville North High School

CLOSING REMARKS

Dan Bridges, Superintendent of Schools

Order of Presentation

Jonathan Gao, NNHS - Charles Bey David McCowin, NCHS - Sarah Albiniak William Zhang, NCHS - Sarah Albiniak Lynnette Lu, NNHS - Timothy Brown Chris Popiolek, NNHS - Timothy Brown Rick Li, NCHS - David Ashton Emily Whirledge, NCHS - David Ashton John Williamson, NCHS - David Ashton Alisha Vohra, NNHS - Elizabeth Brucker Will McDonald, NCHS - Mike Bochenski Adrianna Fu, NNHS - Piling Chiu Sarah Mansfield, NNHS - Piling Chiu Jose Lopez, NCHS - Seth Brady Aidan Blecke, NNHS - Susan Gedz Benjamin Bulpitt, NCHS - Stacy Cunningham Bailey Chen, NCHS - Stacy Cunningham Sabrina Chow, NCHS - Stacy Cunningham Artur Genser, NNHS - Dana Green Brandon John, NCHS - Dennis Emge Cami Bilardello, NNHS - Kathy Heinsohn David Schneck, NCHS - Brandon Estes Lillian Yuan, NNHS - Brian Horner Patrick Liu, NCHS - Leslie Free Meghna Israni, NNHS - Tara Jewell Vivian Zhang, NNHS - Tara Jewell Harrison Wenzel, NCHS - Kathleen Gasser Annie Zhou. NCHS - Kathleen Gasser Abigail Brewster, NNHS - Edward Joyce Kelvin Li, NNHS - Edward Joyce Rachel Damge, NCHS - Crystal Griffith Melanie Kagan, NCHS - Crystal Griffith Jessica Yue, NCHS - Crystal Griffith Terry Nguyen, NNHS - Jonathan Justice Vladimir Montchik, NCHS - Kevin Hayes Olivia Tsao, NNHS - Lew Kasten Dylan Hale, NCHS - Annette Hennessy Caroline Kim, NCHS - Annette Hennessy Jamal Ahmed, NNHS - Mary Kienstra Rachel He, NNHS - Mary Kienstra Adel Wu, NCHS - Christopher Hodge Nicka Kolbasov, NNHS - Janell Matas Nolan Vaughn, NCHS - Todd Holmberg Nicolle DiMaria, NNHS - Jeremy Mayne Eric Lo, NCHS - Michael Jarvis

Julie Park, NCHS - Michael Jarvis Samuel Qunell, NNHS - Elizabeth Moore Nikhilesh Sivapatham, NNHS - Elizabeth Moore Jesse Wang, NNHS - Elizabeth Moore Bethany Krupicka, NCHS - Katharina Linder Vivian Yuan, NNHS - Stephanie Moore Keshav Kapoor, NCHS - Adam Lyon Michelle He, NNHS - Geoff Ng Sarah Beste, NCHS - Kelly Mielcarz Daniel Kim, NNHS - Brian Nierman Maneesh Karnati, NCHS - Bradley Neubauer Jane Boettcher, NNHS - Maureen Nolan Sara Campbell, NCHS - Cathleen O'Boyle Joanna McCormack, NCHS - Cathleen O'Boyle Michael Green, NNHS - Suzi Overly Katherine Kahl, NCHS - Cheri Paladino Frances McCormick, NNHS - Sandy Parato Christopher Ng, NNHS - Sandy Parato Tyler Schwartzhoff, NNHS - Sandy Parato Elizabeth Troy, NNHS - Sandy Parato **Christian Carrier, NCHS - Megan Plackett** Alejandra Rodriguez, NNHS - Thomas Parry Thomas Chavez, NCHS - Karen Randolph Vincent Chee, NNHS - Robert Platt Bethany Simos, NCHS - Melissa Sallee Anjani Maley, NNHS - Mark Rowzee Stacey Ni, NNHS - Mark Rowzee Alara Sunar, NNHS - Mark Rowzee Trevor Hale, NCHS - Maria Warren Michael Rotter, NNHS - Rose Salzman Christina Vasquez, NCHS - Katherine Seguino Dillon Hammond, NNHS - Geoffrey Schmit Deepa Kumar, NCHS - Steven Wiesbrook Arin Nair, NNHS - Brenna Verdier Elise Chao, NNHS - Jay Wachtel Jakob Myers, NNHS - John Wright Samantha Schodde, NNHS - John Wright

Naperville North High School

Outstanding Academicians 2017

Jamal Ahmed

Major: Electrical Engineering and

Computer Science

School: University of California,

Berkeley

Educator: Mary Kienstra

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State

Scholar; Perfect ACT Score; Cross Country and distance Track Captain; Peer Tutor Leader; AP scholar with distinction; Hot **Brockets**



Major: Undecided

School: University of Maryland or

> **United States Military** Academy, West Point

Educator: Kathy Heinsohn

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor

Society; Varsity Basketball Captain; You Make a Difference

Award

Aidan Blecke

Major: Spanish

School: University of Wisconsin-

Madison

Educator: Susan Gedz

Illinois State Scholar; Spanish Student of the Year; Cross Country Captain; Track

Captain; Airband Champions



Jane Boettcher

Major: Linguistics

School: Harvard University or

Stanford University

Educator: Maureen Nolan

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor

Society; Perfect SAT; Daily Herald All-Area

DuPage County Leadership Team; Kidsmatter Volunteer Award; National Council for Teachers of English Outstanding Writer Winner; Presidential Scholar Semifinalist; NFIB Entrepreneur Semifinalist; Coca Cola Scholar; National Merit Scholarship; Elks Most Valuable Student Scholarship

Abigail Brewster

Major: Physics and Music School: Stony Brook University

Educator: Edward Joyce

Stony Brook University Provostial

Scholarship

Elise Chao

Major: Accountancy

School: Washington University in

Saint Louis

Jay Wachtel Educator:

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor

Society: First Class Executive Board;

Illinois District Honors Band; Outstanding Accounting Student; Foreign Language Award; Peer Tutor Leader; Varsity Cross Country and Track and Field Captain; IHSA Track and Field State Finalist; Triple Jump School Record Holder

Vincent Chee

Major: Engineering - Undeclared School: University of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign

Educator: **Robert Platt**

Illinois State Scholar; Airband; DECA; Business Professionals of America; Math

Team; OASIS









Emily Chuang

Major: Medicine, Health, and

Society

School: Vanderbilt University

Educator: Sandy Parato

Illinois State Scholar; National Merit Commended Scholar; USA Swimming

Scholastic All-American; Swimming Varsity Award; Swimming MVP; Illinois Swimming All-State Team; AP Scholar with Distinction; 4.0 Award; DVC Swimming All-Conference Team; Literacy Center Peer Tutor Leader



Major: Psychology/Political

Science

School: Loyola University Chicago

or Augustana College

Educator: Jeremy Mayne

Illinois State Scholar; National Hispanic

Recognition Program

Adrianna Fu

Major: Biomedical Engineering
School: Georgia Tech or University

of Illinois at Urbana-

Champaign

Educator: Piling Chiu

Illinois State Scholar; Varsity Track and

Field; AP Scholar with Honor; National Chinese Honor Society;

National Merit Commended Scholar



Jonathan Gao

Major: Medicine

School: University of Illinois at

Chicago

Educator: Charles Bey

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; AP

Scholar with Distinction; Debate Captain; Oasis Christian Fellowship Vice President; Mock Trial Team Vice President; Future Problem Solving Executive Board Member - Top 10 Internationals; Naperville Youth Service Award; Hapkido Black Belt; Airband First Place and Audience Choice; Edward Foundation Student Scholarship



Major: Physics

School: University of Chicago

Educator: Dana Green

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State Scholar; Eagle Scout; Math Team

Captain; Science Olympiad Captain; Peer

Tutor Leader; Airband Champion



Michael Green

Major: Linguistics and Computer

Science

School: Truman State
Educator: Suzi Overly

Ilinois State Scholar; Perfect ACT Score; President of Latin Club; Certamen Captain and Coach; AIME Qualifier;

National Merit Semifinalist





Dillon Hammond

Major: **Computer Science**

School: Undecided Educator: **Geoff Schmit**

National Merit Finalist: Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; Perfect

ACT Score; 7-Semester 4.0 Award;

Spanish National Honor Society; Illinois West Ice Hockey Scholastic Achievement Award; U.S. Presidential Scholar Nominee; Varsity Ice Hockey Captain; NNHS Nominee for Daily Herald All-Area Leadership Team; National Merit Finalist Top

Choice

Michelle He

Maior: Economics/Business

Administration

School: University of North

Carolina at Chapel Hill or

Carnegie Mellon

Educator: Geoff Ng Illinois State Scholar



Rachel He

Major: **English**

School: University of California,

Berkeley

Educator: Mary Kienstra

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State Scholar; 2 Scholastic Art and Writing

Silver Keys for Creative Writing and Poetry; Wellesley Book

Award; National Art Honor Society

Meghna Israni

Major: Undecided

School: University of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign or

gap year

Educator: Tara Jewell

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State

Scholar



Major: **Biomedical Engineering** School: University of North Carolina

at Chapel Hill or University

of Minnesota

Educator: Brian Nierman

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor

Society; AP scholar; 4.0 award; Student Body President; Adaptive

Peer Leader

Nicka Kolbasov

Major: **Computer Science** School: University of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign

Educator: Janell Matas

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State Scholar; Academic Excellence Award;

Tutor of the Month; 27th in World Championships in

Aesthetic Group Gymnastics in Czech Republic; 10th in World

Cup in Aesthetic Group Gymnastics in Bulgaria

Kelvin Li

Major: Chemical and Physical

Biology

School: Harvard University

Educator: Edward Joyce

National Merit Finalist: Illinois State

Scholar; Perfect ACT Score; 2 time US Figure Skating National Championships Competitor; US National

Chemistry Olympiad Honors; National Science Bowl Competitor; Illinois Science Bowl State Champion; AP Microeconomics Perfect Score; WYSE Chemistry State Champion; AIME Qualifier; National Latin Exam Summa Cum Laude; National Classical Etymology Exam Gold Medalist; US Figure Skating Scholastic Honors Team; Airband Champion and Audience Choice Winner; National Merit® \$2500 Scholarships - National Merit Scholarship

Corporation









Chen Ling

Major: Engineering

School: Northwestern University

Educator: **Geoffrey Schmit** National Merit Finalist; Illinois State Scholar; AP Scholar; National Latin Exam - Summa Cum Laude; Huskie Robotics

Electrical Discipline Lead



Frances McCormick

Major: **Public Policy**

School: University of Toronto

Educator: Sandy Parato

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; Perfect ACT Score; NCTE Achievement Award in

Writing; AP Scholar with Distinction; Peer Tutor Leader; Spanish Department Award; Varsity Cross Country; University of Toronto

Lester B. Pearson International Scholarship

Lynnette Lu

Major: Finance

School: University of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign

Educator: **Timothy Brown**

Illinois State Scholar; Math Team State Champion; Foreign Language Award;

DECA Top Ten State Competitor; Celebrating Art competition Merit Awards; University of Illinois Matthews Scholarship, Campus Honors Program Scholarship and Business Scholarship



Jakob Myers

Major: **History and Economics**

School: Michigan State University or

University of Toronto

Educator: John Wright

Illinois State Scholar; Perfect ACT Score; National History Bee Participant;

International Geography Olympiad



Anjani Maley

Major: Biochemistry

School: University of Illinois at

Chicago

Educator: Mark Rowzee

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; Outstanding World and

Language Student; You Make A

Difference Award; Naperville Youth Sevice Award; Commission on Disabilities Award; St. Patrick's Nursing and Rehabilitation Volunteer of the Year; Varsity Science Olympiad Medalist

Arin Nair

Maior: **Computer Science** School: University of California,

Berkeley

Educator: Brenna Verdier

Illinois State Scholar; IHSA Chess State Champion; French Honor Society; AP

Scholar

Sarah Mansfield

Major: Mathematics

School: University of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign

Educator: Piling Chiu

Illinois State Scholar; National Merit Commended Student; AP Scholar; 7

semesters 4.0 Award; National Chinese Honor Society; Foreign Language Award; Academic All-Conference



Christopher Ng

Major: Undecided

School: Brown University or

University of Minnesota

Educator: Sandy Parato

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State

Scholar





Terry Nguyen

Major: UndecidedSchool: UndecidedEducator: Jonathan Justice



Keegan Riggs

Major: Biology

School: University of Notre Dame

Educator: Mark Rowzee

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; All-State

Swimming



Stacey Ni

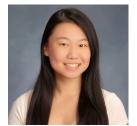
Major: Engineering

School: University of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign

Educator: Mark Rowzee

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society;



Perfect ACT Score; Illinois Music Educators Association District 9
Senior Band member; Illinois Superstate Honor Band member;

Music for All National Concert Band Festival participant; US Presidential Scholars Program candidate; University of Illinois -

Illinois Engineering Enhanced Scholarship



Major: Public Health and

Environmental Studies

School: Clemson University

Educator: Thomas Parry

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor

Society; National Hispanic Recognition

Program; 7 Semesters of 4.0 GPA; 200 Hours of Hospital Service;

Edward Hospital Foundation Scholarship

Chris Popiolek

Major: Chemical Engineering
School: University of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign or

University of Alabama

Educator: Timothy Brown

Illinois State Scholar

Michael Rotter

Major: Special Education

School: University of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign

Educator: Rose Salzman

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State

Scholar; JV2 soccer captain; "You Make a

Difference" award; National Society Daughters of the American Revolution Fort Payne Chapter Vera Walz Education Scholarship



Major: Engineering Physics
School: University of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign

Educator: Elizabeth Moore



Samantha Schodde

Major: Undecided
School: Undecided
Educator: John Wright



Illinois State Scholar; Perfect ACT

Score; Loaves and Fishes Gold Star Award



Tyler Schwartzhoff

Major: Chemical Engineering School: University of Illinois

at Urbana-Champaign

Educator: Sandy Parato

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; Nation Merit Commendation;

Eagle Scout; H&R Block Budget Challenge \$20,000 finalist



Olivia Tsao

Major: Biomedical Engineering
School: University of Illinois

nool: University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign or

Georgia Tech

Educator: Lew Kasten

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State

Scholar; National Honor Society; Varsity Water Polo and Swim

Team; Link Crew Commissioner



Major: Undecided

School: University of Illinois

at Urbana-Champaign

Educator: Elizabeth Moore

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State

Scholar



Alisha Vohra

Major: Biological Sciences/

Chemistry (Pre-Med)

School: Northwestern University

Educator: Elizabeth Brucker

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor

Society; National Merit Commended; 4.0

Award; AP Scholar with Honor; Spanish National Honor Society; First Class Executive Board Member; Link Crew Leader/Commissioner; The Merry Tutor Board Member; Edward

Foundation Student Volunteer Scholarship

Alara Sunar

Major: Bioengineering School: University of Illino

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Educator: Mark Rowzee

Illinois State Scholar; National Merit Commended Scholar; National French

Contest Honorable Mention; 7 semester 4.0 award; University of

Illinois Engineering Freshman Scholarship

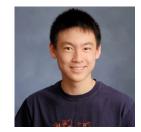


Jesse Wang

Major: Computer Engineering School: Purdue University

Educator: Elizabeth Moore

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State Scholar; State Math Team; Varsity Chess



Elizabeth Troy

Major: Bioengineering
School: University of Illinois

at Urbana-Champaign

Educator: Sandy Parato

Illinois State Scholar; Spanish National

Honor Society







Lillian Yuan

Major: English and Economics

School: Yale University
Educator: Brian Horner

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society President; Perfect ACT Score; DECA



President; three-time DECA Internationals qualifier and State Top 4; FPS State 1st place winner and Internationals Top 10 Oral Presentation; NNHS Airband 2017 First Place and Audience Choice; Built By Girls Let Girls Build Pitch Competition \$10;000 grant; TeenInk literary magazine Editor's Choice Award and Daily Top Voted Award; NNHS World and Classical Language Award; National Merit Finalist Scholarship; National Merit TEGNA Foundation/Madelyn P. Jennings Scholarship; Illinois Foundation for Marketing Education DECA Scholarship

Vivian Yuan

Major: Economics
School: Duke University
Educator: Stephanie Moore
National Merit Finalist; Illinois State
Scholar; National Honor Society;
Perfect ACT Score; Entourage Mixed



Show Choir Grand Champion titles; DECA State Finalists and Internationals Qualifier; Badminton Frosh/JV DVC Champion, Varsity 2nd place; Daily Herald All-Academic Team Nominee; 2017 Airband Audience Choice and 1st place winner; National Merit TEGNA Foundation/Madelyn P. Jennings Scholarship; National Merit Finalist Scholarship; Illinois Foundation for Marketing Education Scholarship; DECA National Harry A. Applegate Scholarship

Vivian Zhang

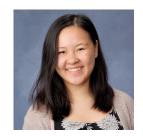
Major: Undecided

School: University of California,

Berkeley

Educator: Tara Jewell

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; Spanish National Honor Society; 1st at FPS State; Airband Champion



Naperville Central High School



Outstanding Academicians 2017

Ambarish Balakumar

Major: Undecided

School: Carnegie Mellon University

or University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Educator: James Braun

Illinois State Scholar; Tennis; Math Team



Christian Carrier

Major: Biology

School: Miami University or

University of Minnesota

Educator: Megan Plackett

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor

Society; Perfect ACT Score; Eagle Scout;

Varsity Swimming; AP Scholar with Distinction; Academic All-American; Math Honor Society

Sarah Beste

Major: Music Education

School: Northern Illinois University

Educator: Kelly Mielcarz

Illinois State Scholar; Perfect ACT Score; ILMEA District 9 Choir; Presidential

Scholars Program candidate



Thomas Chavez

Major: Industrial Engineering
School: University of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign

Educator: Karen Randolph

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor



Benjamin Bulpitt

Major: Biology
School: Undecided

Educator: Stacy Cunningham Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; Perfect ACT Score; National Latin Exam Cum Honore Maximo Egregio

(Perfect Score); NLE Summa Cum Laude and Magna Cum Laude; AP Scholar with Honor; National Merit Commended Student; U.S. Presidential Scholarship candidate; Illinois Junior Classical League State Convention 2nd/4th place in Latin Literature, 3rd/4th place in Reading Comprehension, 4th/5th place in Decathalon; Wind Ensemble; Latin Club Co-Consul; Eagle Scout;

Bronze and Gold Eagle Palms



Bailey Chen

Major: Mechanical Engineering
 School: Purdue University
 Educator: Stacy Cunningham
 Illinois State Scholar; National Honor
 Society; Varsity Tennis Captain; Scholastic

Bowl; Eagle Scout; Refurbishing

Computers For the Needy service project



Sara Campbell

Major: Political Science

School: University of Michigan or

University of Alabama

Educator: Cathleen O'Boyle National Merit Finalist; Illinois State Scholar; Academic All-American; Academic All-Conference





Sabrina Chow

Major: Neuroscience/

Mathematics

School: Brandeis University or

Case Western Reserve

University

Educator: Stacy Cunningham

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; National Latin Exam Magna Cum Laude; ILMEA All-District Musician; Mu Alpha Theta; Latin Honor Society; AP Scholar with Distinction; Wind Ensemble; Woodwind Quintet; Varsity Tennis; Tennis All-Academic All-Conference; IHSA Tennis State Qualifier



Major: Chemical and

Biomolecular Engineering

School: Purdue University
Educator: Crystal Griffith

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor

Society; 7 Semester 4.0 award

Recipient; Mu Alpha Theta; Spanish Honor Society Secretary; Student Class Council Secretary; GEMS Club Student Leader; Link Leader; National Society of High School Scholars

Frank DeStefano

Major: Biomedical Engineering
School: University of Washington

Educator: James Galanis

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; All-Sectional Varsity Soccer



Dylan Hale

Major: Aerospace Engineering
School: Boston University
Educator: Annette Hennessy
National Merit Finalist; Illinois State
Scholar; National Honor Society; 4.0
Award; Mu Alpha Theta; Spanish Honor

Society; AP Scholar with Distinction; National Merit Scholarship Corporation College Sponsored Merit Scholarship; Boston University Presidential Scholarship

Trevor Hale

Major: Biological Sciences
School: Boston College
Educator: Maria Warren

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; Mu Alpha Theta; Spanish Honor Society; AP

Scholar with Distinction; 4.0 Award; San Clemente Literary Award Judge; National Merit Scholarship Corporation College

Sponsored Merit Scholarship



Major: Computer Science and

Electrical Engineering

School: Massachusetts Institute of

Technology

Educator: Dennis Emge

Illinois State Scholar; FIRST Dean's List

Award Winner; Eagle Scout; National Merit Commended Scholar; ACS Scholarship Exam Honorable Mention; Massachusetts Institute of Technology MIT Scholarship

Fundraising; Latin Club Historian







Melanie Kagan

Major: Business

School: University of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign

Educator: Crystal Griffith

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor

Society; Spanish Honor Society



Caroline Kim

Major: Biochemistry

School: University of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign

Educator: Annette Hennessy

Illinois State Scholar; Scholastic Art and

Writing Keys



Katherine Kahl

Major: Biomedical Engineering School: University of Minnesota

Educator: Cheri Paladino

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; 7 Semester 4.0; Speech Team

Outstanding Speaker of the Year

Award; National Merit Commended Student; Speech Team Captain; University of Minnesota National Scholarship



Bethany Krupicka

Major: Political Science

School: University of Pittsburgh

Educator: Katharina Linder

Illinois State Scholar; AP Scholar with Honor; NCC Lederman Scholar; 4.0 Award;

Spanish Honor Society; Math Honor Society; Girls Gymnastics Captain;

University of Pittsburgh Chancellor's Nominee Scholarship



Major: Undecided School: Undecided Educator: Adam Lyon



Deepa Kumar

Major: Medicine

School: University of Missouri -

Kansas City

Educator: Steven Wiesbrook Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; AP Scholar with Distinction;

Burger King Scholars Award



Spanish Honor Society; Mu Alpha Theta; National Honor Society Executive Board; BPA Illinois Association Merit Scholar; Dr. Rubin's Mini Medical School Teaching Assistant; Adapted P.E. Peer Leader; Bharatanatyam Arangetram; 1st Place at Papanasam Sivan Competition for Carnatic Vocal Music; 3rd Place at U.S.A. National Bhagavad Gita Chanting Competition;

Maneesh Karnati

Major: Economics/FinanceSchool: New York UniversityEducator: Bradley NeubauerIllinois State Scholar; National Honor

Society





Rick Li

Major: Biomedical Engineering
School: Harvard University or

Stanford University

Educator: David Ashton

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society;

Perfect ACT Score; USA Biology Olympiad National Finalist and Bronze Medalist; Varsity Cross Country Captain; Science Olympiad Captain and State Medalist; Math Team Captain and State Medalist; NCTE Achievement Award in Writing; DECA ICDC Qualifier; National AP Scholar; Argonne ESRP



Major: Statistics and Machine

Learning

School: Carnegie Mellon

University

Educator: Leslie Free

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; Presidential Scholars Candidate



Major: Materials Science School: Carnegie Mellon

University or Vanderbilt

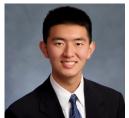
University

Educator: Michael Jarvis

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society;

Math Team State; DuPage Valley Leadership Team Honorable Mention; Distinguished AP Scholar; Vanderbilt National Merit

Scholarship



Jose Lopez

Major: Electrical Engineering
School: University of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign

Educator: Seth Brady

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; National Hispanic Recognition

Program; University of Illinois President's Award Scholarship; University of Illinois Engineering Department Scholarship



Major: Civil Engineering

School: North Carolina State or

Purdue University

Educator: Cathleen O'Boyle

National Honor Society; Type 7 U.S. Air

Force ROTC Scholarship

David McCowin

Major: Undecided

School: Vanderbilt University or

Knox College

Educator: Sarah Albiniak

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; National Hispanic Recognition

Program

Will McDonald

Major: Chemical Engineering
School: Case Western Reserve

or University of Illinois at

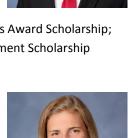
Urbana-Champaign

Educator: Mike Bochenski

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor

Society; 4.0 Academic Achievement Award; Academic All-American; DVC Academic All-Conference; Swimming All-American; DVC Swimming All-Conference; 4-year Varsity

swimmer; International Engineering Scholarship









Vladimir Montchik

Major: **Computer Science** School: University of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign

Educator: Kevin Hayes

Illinois State Scholar; AP Scholar; 4.0 Awards; Illinois Skills-USA Competition

5th Place



David Schneck

Major: **Computer Engineering** School: University of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign

Educator: **Brandon Estes**

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State

Scholar; National Honor Society; Eagle Scout; 4.0 Award for 7 semesters; Mu Alpha Theta; University of Illinois Engineering Freshman Scholarship

Julie Park

Undecided Major: Undecided School: **Educator:** Michael Jarvis

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; Concertmaster of Chicago

Youth Symphony



Bethany Simos

Major: **Physics**

School: Michigan State University or

University of California

Santa Barbara

Melissa Sallee **Educator:**

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor

Society; Perfect ACT Score; Chess Team Captain;

Varsity Science Olympiad - Astronomy: 4th in State, Fossils: 4th in State; 5th place and top female in Chicago ACS Chemistry competition; R41N; American Chemical Society Chicago Chapter Marie Ann Lishka Memorial Scholarship; Michigan State

University Freshman Distinguished Scholarship

Nooman Rauf

Major: Mechanical Engineering School: University of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign

Educator: **Thomas Gebbie** Illinois State Scholar; University of Illinois Engineering Enhanced

Scholarship; University of Illinois MechSE Outstanding Scholarship; Scholarship America Marathon Petroleum

Scholarship

Christina Vasquez

Major: **Biology**

School: Washington University in St.

Louis or Brown University

Educator: Katherine Seguino National Merit Finalist; Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society Exec

Board; National Hispanic Recognition Program; AP Scholar with Distinction; GEMS Club President; NCHS Orchestras President; Mu Alpha Theta Vice President; Tri-M Music Honor Society; Spanish Honor Society; 4.0 Award; National Council of Teachers of English Achievement Award Certificate for Superior Writing; Dr. Rubin's Mini Medical School TA; Edward Foundation Student

Volunteer Scholarship

Taylor Ruscitti

Major: Science Education School: **Belmont University**

Educator: Carin Chidley

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; Spanish Honor Society; 4.0

Awards







Nolan Vaughn

Major: Computer Engineering School: University of Michigan or

Vanderbilt University

Educator: Todd Holmberg

Illinois State Scholar; Water Polo State Champions; Swimming All-American

Athlete; All-State Swimming



Adel Wu

Major: Digital Media Design School: University of Pennsylvania

Educator: **Christopher Hodge** Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; National Scholastic Art Award Silver Key; Business Professionals of

America National Qualifier; AIME Qualifier; Naperville Education Foundation Matthew Richard Voss Memorial Scholarship



Harrison Wenzel

Major: Engineering

School: University of Minnesota

Educator: Kathleen Gasser

Illinois State Scholar: Perfect ACT Score



Jessica Yue

Major: Neuroscience

School: University of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign or New

York University

Educator: **Crystal Griffith**

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor

Society; National AP Scholar; National Merit Commended Student; 4.0 Award; BPA President and State Officer; Congressional Debate Captain; Latin Honor Society; National Latin Exam Maxima Cum Laude; Math Honor Society; Published

in Chinese Chemical Letters Journal

Emily Whirledge

Major: **Finance**

School: University of Illinois at

Urbana-Champaign

Educator: David Ashton

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State

Scholar; National Honor Society;

Varsity Arrowettes Captain; DuPage Valley All-Conference Dancer; Orchesis Senior Officer; Class Council; Merry Tutor Board Member and Curriculum Developer; Mu Alpha Theta; University of Illinois Business Honors Scholarship



John Williamson

Major: Accelerated Medical

Program

School: Pennsylvania State

University

Educator: David Ashton

Illinois State Scholar; National Honor

Society; Eagle Scout; Varsity Cross Country; Varsity Swimming; Varsity Track and Field; Business Professionals of America State Champion and National Competitor in Accounting; Exchange Club of Naperville Youth of the Year Scholarship



William Zhang

Major: **Electrical Engineering and**

Computer Science

School: University of California,

Berkeley

Educator: Sarah Albiniak

National Merit Finalist; Illinois State

Scholar; National Honor Society; National Council of Teachers of English Certificate for Superior Writing; Varsity Tennis Captain; IHSA All-State Singles Tennis Player; AP Scholar with Distinction; French Honor Society; National Merit Scholarship



Annie Zhou

Major: **Economics**

School: Washington University in

St. Louis

Educator: Kathleen Gasser National Merit Finalist; Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society



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