



SOUTH SAN ANTONIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: October 16, 2024

Agenda Section: Recognition

Agenda Item Title: National Recognition Awards

From/Presenters: Vanessa Dominguez, Director of Teaching & Learning
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Description:

Eligibility criteria for the National Recognition Award includes the following:

- Take the Fall 2023 PSAT/NMSQT (10th or 11th) or Spring PSAT 10 (10th) and score in the top 10% of the test takers from their award program in their state.
- Or earned a 3+ on 2 or more distinct AP exams in the 9th and/or 10th grade.
- And earned a cumulative GPA of B+ or higher (at least 3.3 or 87-89%) by time of submission.
- And identify as first generation, Black or African American, Hispanic or Latino, Indigenous or Native and/or attend school in a rural area or small town.

The following seniors from South San Antonio high school are being recognized for receiving the National Recognition Award:

- Joshua Gomez- First Generation, Hispanic
- Elta Hancock- First Generation, Hispanic
- Christopher Menchaca- First Generation, Hispanic
- James Torres- Hispanic

Historical Data: National Recognition Programs are a tangible way to recognize the academic achievements of rural area/small town, African American/Black, Hispanic/Latino, Indigenous/Native American, and (new in 2024) first-generation students.

Recommendation: N/A

Purchasing Director and Approval Date: N/A

Funding Budget Code and Amount: N/A

Goal: N/A