

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
AGENDA

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(A) Report Only Recognition

Presenter(s): SAMUEL MIJARES, Assistant Superintendent for C & I
VALE MORENO, PRINCIPAL EPHS
DR. MARIA GEAR, COLLEGE ADVISOR

Briefly describe the subject of the report or recognition presentation.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATE TO EPHS STUDENT JAMES BUNTING FOR BEING SELECTED AS A NATIONAL HISPANIC MERIT SCHOLAR BY THE NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.

(B) Action Item

Presenter(s):

Briefly describe the subject of the report or recognition presentation.

(C) Funding Source: Identify the course of funds if any are required

(D) Clarification: Explain any question or issues that might be raised regarding this item.


Eagle Pass High School

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Gilberto Gonzalez, Superintendent of Schools
FROM: V. Moreno, Principal EPHS *v.m.* 
Re: National Merit Scholarship Program
DATE: September 25, 2013

Mr. Gonzalez, I would like to formally request an opportunity to recognize and present James Bunting, EPHS student with a certificate for his selection as a National Hispanic Merit Scholar at our next regular school board meeting.

Your continuous support is greatly appreciated. Thank you.



NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP CORPORATION

1560 Sherman Avenue, Suite 200, Evanston, Illinois 60201-4897 (847) 866-5100

September 17, 2013

Dear Principal:

We are very pleased to notify you that each senior named on the enclosed list is a *Commended Student* in the 2014 National Merit® Scholarship Program. Commended Students are being recognized for the exceptional academic promise demonstrated by their outstanding performance on the qualifying test used for program entry. They will not, however, continue in the competition for National Merit Scholarships to be offered next spring.

Over 1.5 million students took the 2012 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®) last October and entered the National Merit Program, a nationwide competition for recognition and awards conducted by National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC). In April, the 50,000 highest scorers were identified to high schools. Some 16,000 of those high performers were recently designated Semifinalists on a state representational basis. Their schools were notified a few weeks ago and NMSC released their names to news media on September 11. Only Semifinalists have an opportunity to continue in the Merit Scholarship® competition and advance to Finalist standing by meeting a number of additional requirements.

The other 34,000 high performers are now being named Commended Students on the basis of a national Selection Index score of 203, applicable to all program participants without regard to state-by-state distribution. Participants who scored at or above the commended level, but below their state or selection unit's Semifinalist qualifying score, are Commended Students. Although NMSC will not announce their names, we are enclosing a sample press release in the event you wish to provide the information to news media in your area.

A Letter of Commendation with a congratulatory message on the reverse is enclosed for each Commended Student on your school's list. There is a place for your signature above the name of your school on the Letter of Commendation. **Please present the commendation as soon as possible, since it is the student's only notification of this National Merit Program honor.** If a Commended Student has transferred, please forward the Letter to the principal of the school the student currently attends.

We have great respect for the important part that you and your professional staff play in the development of academically talented young people, and it is a genuine pleasure for NMSC to join you in honoring these able students. We look forward to the continued participation of your school's students in the annual National Merit Program.

Sincerely,

Michelle S. Cicirello
Executive Director of Scholarship Administration

Enclosures



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September 2013

For immediate release by the school

COMMENDED STUDENTS IN THE 2014 NATIONAL MERIT® SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The principal, Mr. Vale Moreno, of Eagle Pass H.S.
principal's name high school
announced today that James N. Bunting has ~~(have)~~ been named (a) Commended
student name(s)
Student~~(s)~~ in the 2014 National Merit Scholarship Program. A Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program, will be presented by the principal to this ~~(these)~~ scholastically talented senior~~(s)~~.

About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the 2014 competition for National Merit Scholarship awards, Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than 1.5 million students who entered the 2014 competition by taking the 2012 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®).

“The young men and women being named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success,” commented a spokesperson for NMSC. “These students represent a valuable national resource; recognizing their accomplishments, as well as the key role their schools play in their academic development, is vital to the advancement of educational excellence in our nation. We hope that this recognition will help broaden their educational opportunities and encourage them as they continue their pursuit of academic success.”

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High School
Code
44/2100

Commended Students in the 2014 National Merit Program

Student Name	Birth Date	2012 PSAT/NMSQT Scores			Sel. Index
		CR	M	W	
JAMES N BUNTING	11/05/95	71	65	68	204

Number of Students: 1

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM





This
Letter of Commendation

is awarded to

JAMES N. BUNTING

*for outstanding performance on the
Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test in 2012*


President
National Merit Scholarship Corporation


Principal
EAGLE PASS HIGH SCHOOL
School
