# **<u>RECOGNITION</u>** BOARD MEETING December 8, 2015

# **<u>DENTON ISD</u>** District recognizes service, support of State Rep. Tan Parker

The Denton ISD Board of Trustees and Superintendent will recognize State Rep. Tan Parker for his support of the district and public education in Texas. Rep. Parker most recently served as the Chairman of the House Committee on Investments and Financial Services and consistently finds ways to champion economic development and job creation. And despite Denton ISD encompassing a small portion of District 63, which he represents, Rep. Parker can always be counted to reach out to our educational leaders and gather input before tackling legislative issues in Austin.

# **DENTON ISD**

# College Board recognizes 130 district students as AP Scholars

The College Board honored 130 Denton ISD high school students with distinctions for 2015, according to their annual list of recipients who are named Advanced Placement (AP) Scholars. The national program recognizes individuals who have demonstrated college-level achievement though exceptional scores in AP courses and on AP exams. Students are awarded based on four levels including: AP Scholar, AP Scholar with Honor, AP Scholar with Distinction and National AP Scholar.

Students receive an award certificate from The College Board and although there is no monetary award, this achievement is acknowledged on any score report that is sent to colleges. Students who earn scores of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams are named AP Scholars. These students include:

# **AP Scholars**

Students who receive scores of 3 or higher on three or more AP Exams.

# Denton High

#### Seniors

Adinawa Adjagboudjou, Emma Cantrell , Jennifer de la Rosa, John Halbert, Maxwell Hyman, Stephanie Kim, Alex Souris and Courtney Tober

# Graduated

William Cates, Sheng Chan, Dipali Dave, Kevin Van Horn, John Young, Chandler Elsbecker, Gleb Filatov, Peyton Lenaburg, Aaron Reecer, Austin Ridgdell and Sasawat Satumtira

# <u>Guyer High</u>

#### Seniors

Daniel Acosta, Davina Agawu, Maria Anez, Emily Ayers, Drake Bigrigg, Corbin Born, Joshua Erickson, Lauren Estrada, Seth Gandt, Annie Garland, Alexandra Gentile, Austin Haddock, Noah Hansen, Joshua Kasitz, Justin Masoner, Malissa Owen, Iida Raina, Llyleila Richardson, Anthony Rodriguez, Evan Samsky, Sydney Seavey, Jason Theriot, Dylan Towne and Andrew Wendel

#### Juniors

Ansh Pujara, Abhishek Shah, and Daniel Wang

#### Graduated

Adam Anderson, Pamela Ayala, Quinton Ayers, Riley Carr, Jubei Del Rosario Vin, Gabrielle Getts, Piper Gleadhill, Amber Krinner, Karissa Lambert, Charles Drake Lawson, Heather Lewis, Henry Lim, Syed Mahmood, Brianna McKinney, Jimmie Miller, Preston Mitchell, Sophie Nader, Connor Olson, Jacob Poole, Danielle Poyser, Benjamin Priddy, Bassam Smadi, Rachel Smith, Hunter Snowden, Timothy Stern, Aaron Taylor, Fiker Tesfaye, Katherine Tester, Quinn Tidwell, Darby Traylor and Karen Vinson

#### **AP Scholars with Honor**

*Students who earn an average score 3.25 on all AP exams taken and score of 3 or higher on four or more exams.* 

#### **Denton High**

Senior

Lillian King

Graduated

Seong Jung

#### Guyer High

#### Seniors

Catalina Aloman, Aidan Collins, Kylie Jensen, Abdul Rahman Khan, Ali Mansoorshahi, Matthew Shovlin and Erin Wylie

#### Juniors

Jordan Goldstein

#### Graduated

Bryce Babcock, Morgan Chapa, Samantha Donovan, Kira Griffiths, Ryan Koch, Brooke Scherer, Youjung Song and Megan Temple

#### <u>Ryan High</u>

#### Seniors

Tania Aleman, Drake Hughes, Samuel McClanahan, Mary Morris, Jacob Miller and Taylor Murray

#### **AP Scholars with Distinction**

Students who earn an average score 3.5 on all AP exams taken and score of 3 or higher on five or more exams.

#### **Denton High**

Senior

Logan Maltz

#### Graduated

Timothy Rasch

#### <u>Guyer High</u>

#### Seniors

Aimee Bourey, Peyton Griffiths, Maria Harmjanz, Inki Lee and Tiffany Wang

## Graduated

Emily Apt, Damian Crow, Alicia Downard, Zachary Freeze, Elyse Guilstorf, Andrew Hunsberger, Max Malone, Jeffrey Miyata, Remy Nadeau, Cole O'Neill, Eliza Price, Allison Reibach, Andrew Rieder, Carol Scott, Michel Tabet and Zachary Wade

## <u>Ryan High</u>

#### Senior

Walter Tunnell Wilson

## National AP Scholar

Students who earn an average score 4 on all AP exams taken and score of 3 or higher on eight or more exams.

# <u>Guyer High</u>

# Graduated

Damian Crow

# **DENTON ISD**

# DHS student named National Merit Semifinalist, nine others earn commended status

Denton High School's Lillian King has joined an elite group of scholars by earning one of the highest academic honors in the country. She is among the highest scoring entrants from the state of Texas in the 2015 National Merit Scholarship program.

All winners of Merit Scholarship awards are chosen for recognition based on taking the Preliminary – SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test – a test that is taken by 1.5 million students each year in more than 22,000 high schools nationwide.

Denton ISD has produced 39 National Merit Semifinalists in the past 13 years.

This spring, 7,400 Semifinalists will be notified if they will be elevated to Finalist in the prestigious competition – a selection based on their abilities, skills and accomplishments. This distinction earns students scholarships and college sponsorships.

Additionally, nine Denton ISD students were recognized as Commended Scholars by the National Merit Scholarship program. There are less than 34,000 students recognized nationwide, placing these student's scores on the PSAT/NMSQT in the top five percent. Students earning this distinction include: Delainee R. Jernigan, Denton High; Logan T. Maltz, Denton High; Alex N. Souris, Denton High; Aidan B. Collins, Guyer High; Peyton J. Griffiths, Guyer High; Inki Lee, Guyer High; Evan Samsky, Guyer High; Tiffany J. Wang, Guyer High; Walter Tunnell-Wilson, Ryan High. The College Board honored 130 Denton ISD high school students with distinctions for 2015, according to their annual list of recipients who are named Advanced Placement (AP) Scholars.