



National Achievement Scholarship Program

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NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT® SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS April 10, 2013 Announcement

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Note to editors: National Achievement Scholarship® winners in your state are listed alphabetically by city following this press release. News media are encouraged to contact high school principals for additional information about these outstanding students.

This material is prepared solely for news media to announce the names of Achievement Scholar® designees; its use for any other purpose is prohibited.

National Achievement Scholarship Winners Named

(Evanston, Illinois) Today, National Merit Scholarship Corporation announced the names of approximately 800 outstanding Black American high school seniors who have won Achievement Scholarship® awards through the National Achievement Scholarship Program. These awards, totaling over \$2 million, are financed by grants from 34 corporate organizations and professional associations, and by National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

The National Achievement Scholarship Program is a privately financed academic competition established in 1964 specifically to honor scholastically talented Black American youth and to provide scholarships to a substantial number of the most outstanding participants in each annual competition. By the conclusion of the 2013 program, marking the 49th annual competition, about 32,600 participants will have received scholarships for undergraduate study worth more than \$103 million. The program is conducted by National Merit Scholarship Corporation, a not-for-profit organization that operates without government assistance.

The Achievement Scholar designees announced today include 700 recipients of **National Achievement® \$2500 Scholarships**. All students who advanced to the Finalist level in the 2013 competition were considered for these single-payment scholarships, which were awarded on a regional representation basis in proportion to the population of Black Americans in each geographic region.

About 100 Scholars are winners of **corporate-sponsored Achievement Scholarship awards**. These winners were selected from Finalists who met the specific criteria of their grantor organizations. Most are residents of an area served by the sponsor, children of the organization's employees, or Finalists planning to pursue a college major or career the sponsor wishes to encourage. Almost all corporate-sponsored scholarships are renewable and provide stipends that can vary from \$500 to \$10,000 per year, but a few provide a single payment between \$2,500 and \$5,000.

2013 National Achievement Scholarship Competition

More than 160,000 students entered the 2013 National Achievement Scholarship Program by requesting consideration in the competition when they took the 2011 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®) as high school juniors. In September 2012, approximately 1,600 of the highest scorers were named Semifinalists on a regional representation basis. To continue in the competition, Semifinalists had to fulfill requirements for Finalist standing, which included having a record of consistently high academic performance; being endorsed and recommended by an official from their high school; earning SAT scores that confirmed their PSAT/NMSQT performance; and writing an essay.

From the Semifinalist pool, some 1,300 advanced to the Finalist level, and the 800 National Achievement Scholarship winners were selected from this group of outstanding students. Achievement Scholar awardees are the Finalist candidates judged to have the strongest record of accomplishments and greatest potential for academic success in college.

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Tatiana N. Henry Probable career field: Veterinary Medicine	APOLLO BEACH 33572	C. LEON KING H. S., TAMPA
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McKenzie A. Clarke Probable career field: Diplomatic Service	AVENTURA 33180	ST. THOMAS AQUINAS H. S., FORT LAUDERDALE
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Desirae J. Vaughn Probable career field: Chemistry	BRANDON 33511	C. LEON KING H. S., TAMPA
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Myra A. Adu-Sarkodie Probable career field: Business Administration	CAPE CORAL 33904	CAPE CORAL H. S., CAPE CORAL
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Stephanie D. Thompson Probable career field: Sports Medicine	COCONUT CREEK 33073	PINE CREST SCHOOL, FORT LAUDERDALE
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Jervon A. Wright Probable career field: Healthcare	COCONUT CREEK 33066	COLLEGE ACADEMY AT BROWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE, DAVIE
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Lloyd E. Beauflis Probable career field: Computer Science	DAVIE 33328	ARCHBISHOP EDWARD A. MC CARTHY H. S., SOUTHWEST RANCH
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Bolaji P. Eniwaye Probable career field: Biomedical Engineering	DAYTONA BEACH 32114	SPRUCE CREEK H. S., PORT ORANGE
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Savannah L. Bradley Probable career field: Public Health	DOVER 33527	STRAWBERRY CREST H. S., DOVER
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Aubrey B. Wetzelberg Probable career field: International Relations	DUNEDIN 34698	DUNEDIN H. S., DUNEDIN
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Matthew R. Hernandez Probable career field: Medicine	FORT LAUDERDALE 33308	PINE CREST SCHOOL, FORT LAUDERDALE
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Cassidy C. Reilly Probable career field: Orthopedics	FORT MYERS 33967	FIRST BAPTIST ACADEMY, NAPLES
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Dhyana C. Taylor Probable career field: Mechanical Engineering (Robotics)	FORT MYERS 33912	BISHOP VEROT H. S., FORT MYERS
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Joshua C. Creighton Probable career field: Business Management	HAVERHILL 33415	NORTH BROWARD SCHOOL, COCONUT CREEK
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Tyler S. Parker Probable career field: Politics	HIGH SPRINGS 32655	GAINESVILLE H. S., GAINESVILLE
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Ryan A. Greene Probable career field: Aerospace Engineering	JACKSONVILLE 32219	STANTON COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL, JACKSONVILLE
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Olivia R. Schmid Probable career field: Biomedical Engineering	JACKSONVILLE 32250	DOUGLAS ANDERSON SCHOOL OF THE ARTS, JACKSONVILLE
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Terrence J. Commons Probable career field: International Relations	LAKELAND 33812	INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE SCHOOL, BARTOW
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Ashley Gordon Probable career field: Biology	LAKE MARY 32746	LAKE MARY H. S., LAKE MARY
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Solange A. Ganthier Probable career field: Business	LAKE PLACID 33852	CANTERBURY SCHOOL, FORT MYERS
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Breana D. McCoy Probable career field: Undecided	LAKE WORTH 33463	ALEXANDER W. DREYFOOS SCHOOL, WEST PALM BEACH
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Christopher T. Harmon Probable career field: Mechanical Engineering	LAND O' LAKES 34638	SUNLAKE H. S., LAND O' LAKES
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Raivo H. Andrian Probable career field: Chemical Engineering	MIAMI 33196	CORAL REEF H. S., MIAMI
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Aaron D. Jones Probable career field: Environmental Engineering	MIAMI 33181	MIAMI COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL, MIAMI
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Artavia K. Phillips Probable career field: Mechanical Engineering	MIRAMAR 33029	PEMBROKE PINES CHARTER H. S., PEMBROKE PINES
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Tanya E. Thomas Probable career field: Medicine	MIRAMAR 33025	MIRAMAR H. S., MIRAMAR
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Destiny S. Howell Probable career field: Law	NAPLES 34120	PALMETTO RIDGE H. S., NAPLES
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Tabong W. Kima Probable career field: Finance	NEWBERRY 32669	EASTSIDE H. S., GAINESVILLE
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Yael R. Levy Probable career field: Pharmacy	NORTH MIAMI BEACH 33162	SCHOOL FOR ADVANCED STUDIES- NORTH, MIAMI
NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT BOULE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP The Boule Foundation, an affiliate of Sigma Pi Phi--a fraternity of professionals from throughout the U.S.--offers scholarships to outstanding Finalists in the National Achievement Scholarship Program. With these awards, which are distributed over defined areas to ensure an equitable geographic representation, The Boule Foundation seeks to promote excellence, to recognize and honor those students who best exemplify it, and to offer scholarships to as many of the most promising students as possible.		
Josie Francois Probable career field: Pediatrics	OAKLAND PARK 33334	AMERICAN HERITAGE SCHOOL, PLANTATION
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Ashley N. Broughton Probable career field: Medicine	OCALA 34475	VANGUARD H. S., OCALA
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Justin A. Bruno Probable career field: Computer Engineering	ORLANDO 32805	JONES H. S., ORLANDO
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Bianca G. Cousin Probable career field: Psychiatry	ORLANDO 32811	DR. PHILLIPS H. S., ORLANDO
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Julien M. Ham-Ying Probable career field: Anesthesiology	ORLANDO 32836	DR. PHILLIPS H. S., ORLANDO
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Melisande Nestor Probable career field: Social Work	ORLANDO 32825	UNIVERSITY H. S., ORLANDO
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Stephanie L. Spence Probable career field: Undecided	ORLANDO 32812	WILLIAM R. BOONE H. S., ORLANDO
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Alicia N. Tarver Probable career field: Pediatrics	ORLANDO 32836	WINTER PARK H. S., WINTER PARK
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Pakwesi D. Taylor Probable career field: Chemical Engineering	ORLANDO 32824	CYPRESS CREEK H. S., ORLANDO
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Christopher W. Womack Probable career field: Law (Intellectual Property)	ORLANDO 32819	DR. PHILLIPS H. S., ORLANDO
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Celyra Imani Workman Probable career field: Psychiatry	ORLANDO 32828	TIMBER CREEK H. S., ORLANDO
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Marcus A. Robinson Probable career field: Neuroscience	OVIEDO 32765	OVIEDO H. S., OVIEDO
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Ashleigh R. Morgan Probable career field: Medicine	PARKLAND 33067	MARJORY STONEMAN DOUGLAS H. S., PARKLAND
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Richard A. Barrow, Jr. Probable career field: Chemical Engineering	PEMBROKE PINES 33027	ARCHBISHOP EDWARD A. MC CARTHY H. S., SOUTHWEST RANCH
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Taliyah N. Roach Probable career field: Medicine	PEMBROKE PINES 33025	PEMBROKE PINES CHARTER H. S., PEMBROKE PINES
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Kaylen Sanders Probable career field: Undecided	PEMBROKE PINES 33028	CHARLES W. FLANAGAN H. S., PEMBROKE PINES
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Maximilian R. Major Probable career field: Electrical Engineering	PLANTATION 33322	AMERICAN HERITAGE SCHOOL, PLANTATION
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Katerina Lescouffair Probable career field: Medicine	PORT SAINT LUCIE 34986	JOHN CARROLL H. S., FORT PIERCE
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Agenia Delouche Probable career field: Psychology	PRT SAINT LUCIE 34986	JOHN CARROLL H. S., FORT PIERCE
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Jaila Chanel Johnson Probable career field: Biochemistry	SAINT PETERSBURG 33705	ST. PETERSBURG H. S., ST. PETERSBURG
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Kwesi H. Kwapong Probable career field: Architectural Engineering	SARASOTA 34243	SOUTHEAST H. S., BRADENTON
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Ike Okonkwo Probable career field: Neurosurgery	SEMINOLE 33776	ST. PETERSBURG H. S., ST. PETERSBURG
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Arabella Jones Probable career field: International Relations	SUNRISE 33323	PLANTATION H. S., PLANTATION
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Ukera V. Gadsden Probable career field: Accounting	TAMPA 33610	THOMAS JEFFERSON H. S., TAMPA
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Shaneece R. Lane Probable career field: Psychiatry	TAMPA 33624	T. R. ROBINSON H. S., TAMPA
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Matthew A. Walters Probable career field: Computer Science	TEQUESTA 33469	JUPITER COMMUNITY H. S., JUPITER
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Mazeed O. Aro-Lambo Probable career field: Surgical Medicine	VALRICO 33594	STRAWBERRY CREST H. S., DOVER
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Ashley T. Montgomery Probable career field: Healthcare	VALRICO 33596	BLOOMINGDALE H. S., VALRICO
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Christie E. Ramsaran Probable career field: Business Management	WESTON 33326	AMERICAN HERITAGE SCHOOL, PLANTATION
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Jamila K. Picart Probable career field: Biomedical Engineering	WEST PALM BEACH 33412	SUNCOAST COMMUNITY H. S., RIVIERA BEACH
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Roxsian F. Sharpe Probable career field: Surgical Medicine	WEST PALM BEACH 33412	ROYAL PALM BEACH COMMUNITY H. S., ROYAL PALM BEACH
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