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**SEMIFINALISTS IN THE 2019
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Note to editors: Semifinalists in your state are listed alphabetically by city and high school following this press release.

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Semifinalists in the 2019 National Merit® Scholarship Program

(Evanston, Illinois) Today officials of National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) announced the names of approximately 16,000 Semifinalists in the 64th annual National Merit Scholarship Program. These academically talented high school seniors have an opportunity to continue in the competition for some 7,500 National Merit Scholarships worth more than \$31 million that will be offered next spring. To be considered for a Merit Scholarship® award, Semifinalists must fulfill several requirements to advance to the Finalist level of the competition. Over 90 percent of the Semifinalists are expected to attain Finalist standing, and about half of the Finalists will win a National Merit Scholarship, earning the Merit Scholar® title.

NMSC, a not-for-profit organization that operates without government assistance, was established in 1955 specifically to conduct the annual National Merit Scholarship Program. Scholarships are underwritten by NMSC with its own funds and by approximately 410 business organizations and higher education institutions that share NMSC's goals of honoring the nation's scholastic champions and encouraging the pursuit of academic excellence.

Steps in the 2019 Competition

Over 1.6 million juniors in about 22,000 high schools entered the 2019 National Merit Scholarship Program by taking the 2017 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT[®]), which served as an initial screen of program entrants. The nationwide pool of Semifinalists, representing less than one percent of U.S. high school seniors, includes the highest-scoring entrants in each state. The number of Semifinalists in a state is proportional to the state's percentage of the national total of graduating seniors.

To become a Finalist, the Semifinalist and his or her high school must submit a detailed scholarship application, in which they provide information about the Semifinalist's academic record, participation in school and community activities, demonstrated leadership abilities, employment, and honors and awards received. A Semifinalist must have an outstanding academic record throughout high school, be endorsed and recommended by a high school official, write an essay, and earn SAT[®] scores that confirm the student's earlier performance on the qualifying test.

From the approximately 16,000 Semifinalists, about 15,000 are expected to advance to the Finalist level, and in February they will be notified of this designation. All National Merit Scholarship winners will be selected from this group of Finalists. Merit Scholar designees are selected on the basis of their skills, accomplishments, and potential for success in rigorous college studies, without regard to gender, race, ethnic origin, or religious preference.

National Merit Scholarships

Three types of National Merit Scholarships will be offered in the spring of 2019. Every Finalist will compete for one of 2,500 National Merit[®] \$2500 Scholarships that will be awarded on a state-representational basis. About 1,000 corporate-sponsored Merit Scholarship awards will be provided by approximately 230 corporations and business organizations for Finalists who meet their specified criteria, such as children of the grantor's employees or residents of communities where sponsor plants or offices are located. In addition, about 180 colleges and universities are expected to finance some 4,000 college-sponsored Merit Scholarship awards for Finalists who will attend the sponsor institution.

National Merit Scholarship winners of 2019 will be announced in four nationwide news releases beginning in April and concluding in July. These scholarship recipients will join some 338,000 other distinguished young people who have earned the Merit Scholar title.

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Semifinalists: 2019 National Merit Scholarship Program

WISCONSIN

APPLETON

APPLETON NORTH H. S.
628 Groenewold, Olivia A.
161 Gupta, Sakar
836 Plzak, Zoe A.
450 Ray, Andrew P.
999 Schecklman, Hannah R.
160 Zhou, Brian Y.

FOX VALLEY LUTHERAN H. S.
457 Krueger, Colin J.

HOMESCHOOL
450 Ulrich, Susanna G.

XAVIER H. S.
161 Van Ye, Lily Anne E.

BROOKFIELD

BROOKFIELD ACADEMY
160 Cherian, Austin Z.
742 Laeuger, Andrew S.
168 Thomas, Isabel M.
900 Youso, Cecelia P.

BROOKFIELD CENTRAL H. S.
999 Cao, Amy H.
999 Chen, Daisy T.
628 Huang, Sabrina X.
459 Kim, Andrew Y.
161 Li, Vincent R.
450 Liu, Katherine
200 Mittal, Rajat
450 Yuan, Reena A.

BROOKFIELD EAST H. S.
185 Alexander, Namitha A.
627 Bartosiak, Jordan M.
303 Franz, Jacob W.
870 Galhardo, Guilherme
301 Huang, Billy H.
160 Li, Michelle C.
999 McManus, Taidgh S.
450 Rothe, Amber K.
999 Santebennur, Nikhita
209 Siva, Anouska

HOMESCHOOL
948 Chu, Abigail J.

BURLINGTON

BURLINGTON H. S.
600 Donegan, Savannah R.

CATHOLIC CENTRAL H. S.
906 Krien, Krista T.

CEDARBURG

CEDARBURG H. S.
303 Diges, Martin J.
628 Englebert, Lily
628 Gundlach, Julia G.
302 Knepprath, Alexander J.
628 Stern, Olivia A.
906 Truong, Giovanna T.
742 Wandsnider, Ryan J.

COLUMBUS

COLUMBUS H. S.
836 Kianovsky, Isaac H.

DE FOREST

DE FOREST AREA H. S.
450 Chambers, Jacob J.
520 Williams, Audrey J.

DE PERE

DE PERE H. S.
450 Pulley, Caden J.

WEST DE PERE H. S.
200 Wall, Kaitlyn A.

EAU CLAIRE

EAU CLAIRE MEMORIAL H. S.
999 Hu, Megan
941 Hull, Tatiana S.
168 Larson, Simon M.
833 Pepperl, Mark
900 Recheck, Samuel F.
160 Steines, Claire

HOMESCHOOL
214 Gravrok, Regina P.

FRANKLIN

FRANKLIN H. S.
160 Krishnan, Karan
629 Litzenberg, Benjamin J.
628 Sweet, Janel R.

GALESVILLE

GALE - ETRICK -
TREMPEALEAU H. S.
459 Mortenson, Bjorn E.

GERMANTOWN

GERMANTOWN H. S.
201 Anderson, Asher
162 Dudhat, Shree
457 Mendes, Russel
164 Van Fossen, Charles G.

GLENDALE

HOMESCHOOL
999 Anumolu, Joshua K.
NICOLET H. S.
302 Collins, Dillon J.
999 Guptasarma, Priyanka
999 Jaglinski, Angelina M.
450 Kovnar, Sam
999 Kramer, Benjamin M.
900 Miller, Louis H.
948 Mitchell, Avery L.
906 Scheuer, Jason
160 Schneider, Claudia J.
161 Spektor-Bulatova, Anna
160 Sullivan, Megan M.
200 Wales, Blair R.
200 Weslow, Olivia C.

GRAFTON

GRAFTON H. S.
720 Prohuska, Daniel S.

GREEN BAY

ASHWAUBENON H. S.
454 Armstrong, Simran S.
999 Clark, Mieka R.
202 Schamber, Kyra M.
820 Teska, Emmaline M.

BAY PORT H. S.
605 McCotter, Erin E.
450 Tanck, Sarah R.

EAST H. S.
451 Kiernan, Joel X.

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY
160 Edgar, Claire
628 Griffith, Ava
160 Kellner, Zachary W.

PREBLE H. S.
303 Guo, Sebastian

GREENDALE

GREENDALE H. S.
741 Arndorfer, Raymond R.
466 Widlarz, Andrew C.

GREENFIELD

WHITNALL H. S.
999 Misplon, Josiah Z.

HARTFORD

HARTFORD UNION H. S.
740 Becker, Matthew R.
467 Simon, Lucas P.

HARTLAND

ARROWHEAD H. S.
628 Chu, Emily
830 Davis, Katherine K.
160 Elfner, Emily K.
600 Fickel, Abigail K.
168 Sikorski, Anthony
303 Vasavada, Rohan D.

UNIVERSITY LAKE SCHOOL
742 Brand, Daniel W.
843 Ehram, Samuel H.

HAYWARD

HAYWARD H. S.
999 Halberg, John A.
162 Wydra, Marya S.

HOLMEN

HOLMEN H. S.
600 Hornberg, Shelby K.

HOWARDS GROVE

HOWARDS GROVE H. S.
303 Eilers, Dustin A.

HUDSON

HUDSON H. S.
162 Arthur, Anna L.
742 Harrison, Connor R.
999 Small, Erik G.

JACKSON

KETTLE MORAIN LUTHERAN H. S.
833 Boline, Mitchell J.

JUDA

JUDA H. S.
185 Adkins, Taylor K.

KENOSHA

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC ACADEMY
185 Haugstad, Grace P.

KIMBERLY

KIMBERLY H. S.
202 Van Cuyk, Collin J.

LA CROSSE

CENTRAL H. S.
455 Heath, Paxson
600 Lansing, Lauren N.

LOGAN H. S.

628 Baggett, Sophie M.

LADYSMITH

LADYSMITH H. S.
202 Palumbo, Jacob L.

MADISON

EAST H. S.
450 Gillian-Daniel, Jack B.
303 Loetscher, Maxwell J.
941 Nowicki, Ella C.
943 Parmaker, Maximilian M.
160 Rabago, Aleksander
253 Richards, Bailey K.
900 Stattelmann-Scanlan, Annabel C.

EDGEWOOD H. S.
628 Bondoc, Delaney M.
999 Bushong, Gloria H.
607 Flynn, Grace A.
463 Hess, Julia M.
836 Kiley, Kristin B.
450 Sheahan, Spencer L.

ROBERT M. LA FOLLETTE H. S.
166 Manly, Dija R.

JAMES MADISON MEMORIAL H. S.
522 Bauer, Anna S.
120 Berthoud, James T.
999 Blumenstein, Sophie C.
900 Frasier, Sha
742 Hefty, Zion A.
160 Herman, Celia R.
742 Kaldor, Mary E.
999 Kennedy, Garrett J.
162 Lee, Morten J.
400 Li, Huizhong
300 Li, Megan
253 Naujalyte, Beatrice
170 Partha, Samik S.
000 Pomraning, Geoffrey M.

456 Rademacher, Alexa A.
160 Sahai, Anusha V.
160 Said, Imaad
209 Sawicki, Noah J.
303 Shou, Michelle C.
742 Williams, Jeremiah D.
600 Yao, Amanda R.
999 Zhai, Hannah J.

ST. AMBROSE ACADEMY
450 Pinchuk, Dmitry A.

WEST H. S.

522 Alvin, James
303 Anson, Doan
303 Arpaci-Dusseau, Anna A.
906 Beilin, Felix M.
303 Buinevicius, Erik M.
843 Carpenter, Grace E.
999 Decetra, Gemma L.
999 Gnam, Oscar G.
999 Gray, James H.
999 Harrison, Spencer E.
140 Jackson, Carmen R.
999 James, Haley M.
454 Johnson, Nathaniel R.
214 Johnson, Zoe Charlotte P.
948 Lambert, Ruby E.
185 Lee, Jiu
843 Mello, Michael D.
303 Nashold, Langston G.
160 Radeloff, Else M.
710 Rameker, Isabel A.
559 Ringle, Holden H.
451 Rossman, Zander J.
741 Sandholm, Lily J.
710 Tsao, Liam R.
303 Verban, Michael P.
843 Waller, Christopher J.

MARKESAN

MARKESAN H. S.
451 Muehlenhaupt, Kade C.

MARSHFIELD

MARSHFIELD H. S.
999 Abidi, Muhammad S.
843 Bhat, Suhaas M.
836 Mayagoitia, Adrian
772 Rens, Aria L.
160 Schultz, Kyle M.

MENASHA

MENASHA H. S.
202 Pennings, Jackson W.

MENOMONEE FALLS

MENOMONEE FALLS H. S.
185 Otchere, Amma

MENOMONIE

MENOMONIE H. S.
628 Schwartz, Jessica
833 Woodward, James L.

MEQUON

HOMESTEAD H. S.
553 Bloch, Shir
467 Camacho, Julian T.
163 Cheng, Emily M.
467 Griswold, Samuel R.
999 Kelly, Maxwell R.
830 Stastney, Pierce A.
450 Teplin, Zachary M.

MIDDLETON

MIDDLETON H. S.
999 Datta, Meghna
628 Engling, Owen E.
870 Knoke, Elizabeth N.
209 Lawton, Steven M.
999 Ma, Annie R.
200 Scher, Benjamin C.
450 Stewart, Laura E.
999 Whittingham, David H.
161 Yang, Jason C.

MILTON

MILTON H. S.
160 Smith, Marilla M.

MILWAUKEE

DIVINE SAVIOR - HOLY
ANGELS H. S.
628 Bauer, Eleanor
450 Powers, Caroline
723 Quadracci, Meghan

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Wisconsin (continued)

999 Schlise, Kelley P.
628 Urban, Abigail M.

EASTBROOK ACADEMY
999 Boyland, Joanna

HOMESCHOOL
450 Eichholz, Wyatt D.

MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY H. S.
455 Rose, Michaela I.
450 Swiderski, Alexander J.
467 Tegge, Aidan J.
740 Webb, Joseph M.

UNIVERSITY SCHOOL
455 Endres, Spencer J.
160 Frenkel, Abby
820 Petrie, Duncan R.
628 Petzold, Grace

MINOCQUA

LAKELAND UNION H. S.
450 Cardinal, Anna M.
830 Holmes, Anthony R.

MONONA

MONONA GROVE H. S.
201 Brown, Anna M.
160 Dye, Lilly A.
467 Jones, Ethan D.

MOSINEE

MOSINEE H. S.
430 Hintz, Delphine E.

MOUNT HOREB

MOUNT HOREB H. S.
792 Lindley, Eliza J.

MUKWONAGO

MUKWONAGO H. S.
450 Brouwer, Sophia
455 Mielke, Ray

NEENAH

NEENAH H. S.
455 Rott, Gerald E.
628 Strandberg, Ryan D.
833 Vendola, Jackson P.

NEW BERLIN

EISENHOWER H. S.
950 Joy, Madeline G.

HERITAGE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
999 Snodgrass, Carrie E.
712 Tsiamis, Panagiotti G.

NEW BERLIN WEST H. S.
999 Aspenleiter, Ryan A.
600 Bachmann, Jenna M.

NEW GLARUS

NEW GLARUS H. S.
300 Fong, Ellawyn K.

OCONOMOWOC

OCONOMOWOC H. S.
450 Hogan, Jacob J.
830 Roth, Rachel A.
712 Schulz, Nicholas R.

OCONTO

OCONTO H. S.
450 Murphy, Karly J.

ONALASKA

LUTHER H. S.
430 Schroeder, Elliott D.
999 Stratman, Kaitlyn R.

ONALASKA H. S.
450 Boebel, Lucas J.
303 Cheng, Ricky Y.
160 Giunta, Abigail A.
450 White, Harrison M.
792 Zhou, Yining

OREGON

OREGON H. S.
836 Bull, Julie A.
164 Zintel, Marissa A.

OSHKOSH

OSHKOSH WEST H. S.
121 Casey, Ashlyn R.

PEWAUKEE

PEWAUKEE H. S.
870 Rokus, Katelyn E.
185 Trotier, Matthew H.

TRINITY ACADEMY

461 Murphy, Joseph M.

PLATTEVILLE

PLATTEVILLE H. S.
740 Collins, Quinn M.
500 Cramer, John A.

PORT WASHINGTON

PORT WASHINGTON H. S.
214 Shafer, Skylar T.

PORTAGE

PORTAGE H. S.
999 Goldthorpe, Emma K.

PULASKI

PULASKI H. S.
185 Kreuser, Hannah

RACINE

PRAIRIE SCHOOL
740 Garcia-Novelli, Camila M.
520 Reinhardt, Bennett

RIVER FALLS

RIVER FALLS H. S.
455 Zoller, Niko K.

SALEM

WESTOSHA CENTRAL H. S.
600 Grenyo, Maria N.

SHAWANO

SHAWANO H. S.
950 Malliet, Karelyn M.

SHEBOYGAN

NORTH H. S.
450 Bartelt, Noah P.
121 Veldman, Christina M.

SHOREWOOD

SHOREWOOD H. S.
000 Hegelmeyer, John W.
000 Meng, Der-Yu
000 Peterka, Tessa A.

SPOONER

SPOONER H. S.
450 Tellefson, Andrew C.

STEVENS POINT

STEVENS POINT AREA H. S.
628 Tang, Sabrina W.

SUN PRAIRIE

SUN PRAIRIE H. S.
450 Breyer, Luke D.
417 Darmstadter, Claire E.
999 Foldhazi, Randon L.
450 Gammon, Joseph R.
209 Janamanchi, Abhinav

SUPERIOR

SUPERIOR H. S.
175 Evavold, Amelia K.

SUSSEX

HAMILTON H. S.
454 Dowse, Abigail G.
000 Hubred, Molly J.
999 Kozic, Ty R.
160 Sciortino, Jonathan

TOMAH

TOMAH H. S.
450 Buss, Lauren E.

VERONA

VERONA AREA H. S.
628 Bora, Ragini
450 Mast, Samuel G.

WALES

HIGH SCHOOL OF
HEALTH SCIENCES
162 Deaven, Mia H.

KETTLE MORAINÉ H. S.
920 Heckenkamp, Joel J.
303 Ibrahim, Mark M.

WATERFORD

WATERFORD UNION H. S.
454 Lindeman, Kennedy E.
121 North, Isabella S.

WAUKESHA

CATHOLIC MEMORIAL H. S.
450 Hornung, Theodore T.
600 Lampe, Kaitlyn
607 Piacsek, Carsen C.

WAUKESHA NORTH H. S.
450 Johnson, Nathan

WAUKESHA SOUTH H. S.
999 Wolfe, Mia E.

WAUKESHA WEST H. S.
306 Albert, Naveen

WAUNAKEE

MADISON COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL
700 Astor, Bethany V.

WAUNAKEE H. S.

561 Gering, Kendra G.
900 Grade, Genevieve N.
454 Korth, Samuel L.
201 Luebke, Dane M.

WAUWATOSA

HOMESCHOOL
628 Eriksen, Sakurako

WAUWATOSA EAST H. S.
843 Witte, Austin J.

WAUWATOSA WEST H. S.
943 Nowacek, Bradley V.
303 Verma, Amish

WEST ALLIS

NATHAN HALE H. S.
457 Borak, Sean C.

WEST BEND

WEST BEND EAST H. S.
160 Krause, Bridget N.

WEST BEND WEST H. S.
430 Hanrahan, Katherine E.
628 Hayes, Katarina V.

WESTON

D. C. EVEREST H. S.
741 Tatro, Jordan C.

WHITEFISH BAY

WHITEFISH BAY H. S.
200 Dyer, Eli S.
254 Ellinas, Marcus G.
201 Fasseas, Alexander G.
214 Fetzer, Henry K.
162 Gent, Austin R.
836 Morgan, Alexandra G.

WHITWATER

WHITWATER H. S.
303 Brantmeier, Zachary R.
303 Kuzoff, Nicholas D.

WISCONSIN DELLS

WISCONSIN DELLS H. S.
943 Jisa, Tess F.