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Congratulations to the following Whitefish Bay High School students who were named Semifinalists in the 2016 National Merit Scholarship Competition:

Christopher Cifuentes
TJ Davies
Brennan Gregg
Mary Henrichs
Jieun Heo
Hannah Lyons
Anthony Schulz
Evan Zhao

The **National Merit® Scholarship Program** is an academic competition for recognition and scholarships that began in 1955. High school students enter the National Merit Program by taking the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test ([PSAT/NMSQT®](#))—a test which serves as an initial screen of approximately 1.5 million entrants each year—and by meeting published program entry and participation requirements.

In early September, about 16,000 students, or approximately one-third of the 50,000 high scorers, are notified that they have qualified as Semifinalists. To ensure that academically talented young people from all parts of the United States are included in this talent pool, Semifinalists are designated on a state-representational basis. They are the highest scoring entrants in each state. To be considered for a National Merit® Scholarship, Semifinalists must advance to Finalist standing in the competition by meeting high academic standards and all other program requirements. Click [here](#) to learn about requirements for becoming a Finalist in the 2016 National Merit Scholarship Program.

The National Merit Scholarship winners of 2016 will be announced beginning in April and concluding in July.

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