



# NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP CORPORATION

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BELMONT PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
OFFICE OF  
SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Principal:

We are very pleased to notify you that each senior named on the enclosed list is a *Commended Student* in the 2012 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 2010 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 offered our College Plans Reporting Service through their 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 14. 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 202, 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 and 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. Robbins  
Director of Educational Services

Enclosures

BELMONT HIGH SCHOOL  
221 CONCORD AVE  
BELMONT MA 02478-3047

High School  
Code  
22/0123

### Commended Students in the 2012 National Merit Program

Student Name	Birth Date	2010 PSAT/NMSQT Scores			
		CR	M	W	Sel. Index
CHEN, JESSE Y	09/16/93	73	80	67	220
DAVIS, MARGARET	07/26/94	67	73	73	213
DILL, SARAH-EVE D	05/04/94	71	67	73	211
FELSHTINSKY, ALEXANDER	01/24/94	69	73	65	207
GREEN, PAUL R	04/01/94	71	64	78	213
KEETH, GRAHAM R	05/11/94	73	73	71	217
KIM, CHOA H	10/20/94	69	73	73	215
KISSEL, CALEB	02/18/94	73	71	71	215
MANKIN, SONIA Y	12/21/94	74	71	61	206
MILLER, ELIZABETH M	03/19/94	80	69	69	218
OSBORN, ELLEN R	04/05/94	69	68	65	202
PETERSON, BENNET D	07/29/94	69	68	71	208
POWERS, REBECCA E	12/31/93	67	66	71	204
RUI, TING	06/08/94	73	73	59	205
SHEN, WEILU	06/06/94	66	73	65	204
TEACH, EMMA H	11/19/93	74	73	71	218
TROMANHAUSER, MAX	09/25/93	67	76	67	210
ZENG, GEORGE J	07/04/94	73	76	73	222

Number of Students: 18