

Park Finalists

Alabama

Shelby - Emma Katherine Haddock, daughter of Wade and Pam Haddock, lives in Birmingham, Alabama. Katherine will graduate from Oak Mountain High School where she is President and Founder of The Promotion of Girls Sports Club, Secretary of Key Club, and Vice President of Peer Assisted Learning Support Club. In addition to serving as Co-Captain of Varsity Basketball, she serves as Youth Elder at her church. Katherine plans to major in Sociology and Criminal Justice.

Florida

Palm Beach- Kelly Jean Cox, daughter of Susie Cox, lives in Boca Raton, Florida. Kelly will graduate from Spanish River Community High School where she is Captain of the Varsity Soccer team, President of The Science National Honor Society, and Spanish River's Race for the Cure Team Co-Captain. She also has devoted two summers of volunteer service to the Student Conservation Association; she has recently had recycling bins placed in the city parks as a Pine Jog Fellow, and was named The Wendy's High School Heisman school winner for her high school. Kelly plans to major in Zoology with a focus in ecosystem preservation.

Palm Beach- Stephanie Lauren Solove, daughter of Susan and David Solove, lives in Lake Worth, Florida. Stephanie will graduate from Atlantic Community High School where she is in the International Baccalaureate program, Editor-in-Chief of the yearbook, and Secretary of National Honor Society. She is also on the Fusion Force Dance Company at That's Dancing, and held an internship with the Barack Obama campaign. Stephanie plans to major in Political Science.

Georgia

Coweta- Stephanie Marie Smith, daughter of Greg and Susan Smith, lives in Sharpsburg, Georgia. Stephanie will graduate from Northgate High School where she is Secretary of the Beta Club, Woodwind Captain of the Marching Band, and a member of the Mock Trial team. She also is an active member of her church and has been on mission trips to New York and Mississippi. Stephanie plans to major in Environmental Engineering.

Fulton - Eric Parry Jones, son of Barry and Colleen Jones, lives in Alpharetta, Georgia. Eric will graduate from Alpharetta High School where he is Captain of the Marching Raider Band and a four-year varsity letterman on the Cross Country team. He tutors students after school through the National Honor Society; was awarded the Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award, and volunteered one month each of the past two summers with the Student Conservation Association in Alaska and Colorado. Eric plans to major in Materials Science and Engineering.

Illinois

Douglas – Emily Rose Walch, daughter of Jerry and Amy Walch, lives in Newman, Illinois. Emily will graduate from Villa Grove High School where she is Secretary of her Senior Class, Captain of the Varsity Cross Country team, and an active member of the Concert Band, Jazz Band, Pep Band, and Drumline. She has been named a two-time All-State Musician and is a member of the Symphonic Honor's Initiative Program through the Eastern Illinois University Symphony Orchestra. She also serves as a Sunday school teacher for children, ages three to five. Emily plans to major in Marketing and Brand Merchandising.

Maryland

Montgomery - Emily Louise Tucker, daughter of Michael and Susan Tucker, Gaithersburg, Maryland. Emily will graduate from Richard Montgomery High School where she is President of the Student Government Association and is Captain, MVP, and a three-year starter on the Varsity Soccer team. She was named an Advanced Placement Scholar with Distinction after her junior year, is a member of the National Honor Society, and is a thirteen-year Girl Scout. Emily plans to major in Electrical Engineering.

Prince George's - Richard Matthias Chapman, son of John and Sara Chapman, lives in Cheltenham, Maryland. Richard will graduate from Bishop McNamara High School where he is President of the Tri-M Music Honor Society, the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Moreau Scholar Society, and Varsity Letterman in Lacrosse and Soccer. He also has performed service work for the homeless in both Philadelphia and Washington D.C., worked as an intern at NASA for two summers, and was selected as the lead trumpet player for the 2009 Maryland All-State Jazz Band. Richard plans to major in Aerospace Engineering.

Michigan

Macomb - Steven Andrew Mazur, son of Keith and Evagelia Mazur, lives in Sterling Heights, Michigan. Steven will graduate from the Macomb Mathematics Science Technology Center and Paul K. Cousino High School where he is a Drum Major of the Cousino Patriots Marching Band and the Vice President of both Students Against Destructive Decisions and the National Honor Society. He is the salutatorian of the senior class and is currently writing his second grant to help fund a drug/alcohol prevention conference for middle and high school students. Steven plans to major in Biomedical Engineering and follow a Pre-Medical curriculum.

North Carolina

Alamance – Andre Kurepa Waschka, son of Rodney Waschka II and Alexandra Kurepa, lives in Burlington, North Carolina. Andre will graduate from Walter M. Williams High School where he is a member of the National Honor Society, an All-Conference player on the Varsity Tennis team, and President of the Spanish Club. He is a member of the Williams Math League, the winner of the ABSS TechTalk Live at Elon University, and volunteered overseas working with landmine victims. Andre plans to major in Mathematics.

Asheboro-Hillary Beth Spangler, daughter of Ken and Annette Spangler, lives in Asheboro, North Carolina. Hillary will graduate from Southwestern Randolph High School, where she is Treasurer of the Beta Club and the Student Government Association. She also serves on the Core Management Team for the Randolph County School Board and is a member of the Superintendent's Advisory Council for Randolph County Schools. She has been a volunteer at Deep River Physical Therapy/Rehabilitation Clinic and tutors middle school students. Hillary plans to major in Biology/Pre-Physical Therapy.

Buncombe - Christopher Mark Gauger, son of Mark and Sharon Gauger, lives in Asheville, North Carolina. Christopher will graduate from A. C. Reynolds High School where he is a class representative in the Student Government, a member of the Science Olympiad team, and a member of the Math team. He is also the President of a student-led service group called Teens with a Purpose, a volunteer in the Angel Food Ministries Program at his church, and will graduate as an Advanced Placement Scholar with Distinction. Christopher plans to major in Engineering.

Buncombe - Leah Katharine Haile, daughter of Denise and Wondwossen Haile, lives in Asheville, North Carolina. Leah will graduate from Asheville High School where she is Student Body President, Co-Captain of the girl's Swim Team, and the school mascot. She is also an assistant teacher of English as a Second Language and received the award of excellence in both Spanish II and AP Spanish Language. Leah plans to major in Communication Media.

Buncombe - Nathaniel Richard Litz, son of Kimberly and Vance Litz, lives in Asheville, North Carolina. Nathaniel will graduate from Asheville School where he is the Student Chair of the Honor Council, a Prefect, and is a leading actor in the upcoming musical, Hello Dolly. He is an Eagle Scout of Weaverville's Boy Scout Troop 15, and plans to major in Mechanical or Electrical Engineering.

Buncombe - Luke Parker Thornburg, son of Gene and Shannon Thornburg, lives in Asheville, North Carolina. Luke will graduate from Asheville Christian Academy where he is Secretary and Treasurer of the Student Body, Captain of the Varsity Cross Country team, and a member of the National Honor Society. He has been a volunteer tutor at the Presbyterian Home for Children as well as President of the Youth Council at his home church, Montreat Presbyterian. Luke plans to major in either International Relations or Economics.

Caldwell - Bryan Lopez, son of Adam and Virginia Lopez, lives in Lenoir, North Carolina. Bryan will graduate from West Caldwell High School where he has been voted "Most Talented," is President of Mu Alpha Theta, a Math Honor Society, and is Vice President of the Green Club. He is also an active volunteer at the Caldwell Hospice and Palliative Care facility and is a math tutor. Bryan plans to major in Civil Engineering.

Carteret- Mary Charles Hale, daughter of Mary Duane and Charles Hale, lives in Morehead City, North Carolina. Mary Charles will graduate from West Carteret High School where she is a Huddle Leader with Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Senior Class Secretary, and a member of the Varsity Girls Tennis team. She has received the English Award and numerous tennis awards, and has been an active member of the National Charity League. Mary Charles plans to major in English.

Caswell - Elizabeth Ann Eastep, daughter of Todd and Tammie Eastep, lives in Yanceyville, North Carolina. Elizabeth will graduate from Bartlett Yancey High School where she is President of the Future Farmers of America (FFA), a three-year Varsity Tennis player, and has been voted "Most Intellectual." She is also the West Central Region FFA President, as well as an active 4-H and Key Club member. Elizabeth plans to major in Animal Science.

Cleveland - Lillian Rebecca Wilson, daughter of Larry and Kathy Wilson, lives in Shelby, North Carolina. Lillian will graduate from Shelby High School where she is President of the Latin Club and the Young Democrats and Vice President of the Drama Club. She has a Black Belt in karate and volunteers for the Children's Homes of Cleveland County and her church. Lillian plans to major in Mathematics.

Craven - Caroline Elizabeth Ellington is the daughter of Jim and Diane Ellington. Caroline will graduate from New Bern High School where she is President of the National Honor Society, President of Science Olympiad, and a Co-Captain of the Varsity Women's Golf team. Caroline is active in her youth group and volunteers regularly with Habitat for Humanity and Religious Community Services. Caroline plans to major in either Chemistry or Biological Sciences.

Cumberland - Jessica Lauren Glatz, daughter of Guy and Lauren Glatz, lives in Fayetteville, North Carolina. Jessica will graduate from Terry Sanford High School where she is President of the French Club, a Vice President of RUSH Campus Ministries, and Vice President of the National Honor Society. She also volunteers each summer as a Kidz Kamp Counselor and was voted "Most Intelligent." Jessica plans to major in Biology.

Cumberland - Sunny Huang, son of Shihlung Huang and Chiu Jung Chang. Sunny will graduate from the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics in Durham where he is President of the Habitat for Humanity Club, a Residential Life Advisor, and Captain of the Varsity Basketball team. He has achieved high chairs as a Cellist in the NC All-State Orchestra and has founded a Metallic String Quartet. Sunny plans to major in Business.

Cumberland - Milan Atul Kantesaria, son of Atul and Hansa Kantesaria, lives in Fayetteville, North Carolina. Milan will graduate from the Fayetteville Academy where he is Vice President of his class, Secretary of the National Honor Society, and a writing intern. He also leads service projects to benefit the homeless of Fayetteville, is an Eagle Scout, and has attended the North Carolina Governor's School. Milan plans to major in a Pre-Medical curriculum.

Cumberland - Sarah Malinda Maxwell, daughter of Danny and Linda Maxwell, lives in Stedman, North Carolina. Sarah will graduate from Cape Fear High School where she is Assistant Editor of the school newspaper, Senior Class Secretary, and a Freshmen Mentor. She attended Governor's School West 2008 for English, is active in her church youth group, and received the Fayetteville Observer's "Most Valuable Staffer" Award in 2008 for her contributions to her school newspaper. Sarah plans to major in Elementary Education.

Durham - William Evan Condon, son of Sean and Susan Condon, lives in Durham, North Carolina. William will graduate from the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics where he is Co-Captain of Mock Trial, Vice President of Fiction Writers' Club, and active in Quiz Bowl. He also is an Eagle Scout and is developing a Web-based text editor for motor-disabled individuals. William plans to major in Computer and Electrical Engineering.

Edgecombe - Gennelle Scott Wilson, daughter of Kevin and Tricia Wilson, lives in Tarboro, North Carolina. Gennelle will graduate from Tarboro High School where she is President of the National Honor Society, President of the Environmental Awareness Club, and Tennis Team Captain. She has been a volunteer with the Cross Generations Communications Club, a club that she created that specifically works with the elderly in breaking the gap between generations by holding discussions about current and related past events. Gennelle plans to major in Political Science.

Forsyth - Ian Thomas Hill, son of Diane and Rodney Hill, lives in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Ian will graduate from R.J. Reynolds High School where he is Low Brass Section Leader of the Demons Marching Band, Co-Captain of the Science Academic Team, and President of the Ultimate Frisbee Club. He also is a member of the National Honor Society, was chosen as Student of the Year in Spanish, and received a second-degree black belt from the Universal School of Martial Arts. Ian plans to major in Polymer and Color Chemistry.

Forsyth - Kelly Rae Quesnel, daughter of Wendy and Ray Quesnel, lives in Pfafftown, North Carolina. Kelly Rae will graduate from Forsyth Country Day School where she is head statistician for the Boys' Basketball team and Co-Editor-in-Chief of the Literary Magazine. She is a volunteer math and writing tutor, a member of the Cum Laude Society, and a member of the Math, French, and

National Honor Societies. Kelly Rae plans to major in Architecture.

Gaston - John Paul Friday II (Jake), son of Stephen and Daphne Friday, lives in Gastonia, North Carolina. Jake will graduate from Gaston Christian High School where he is a Project-Chair for the Interact Club, participant of the Varsity Boys Soccer team, and is a coach for the Junior Eagles Basketball program. He is an Eagle Scout, and volunteers for Habitat for Humanity and the American Cancer Society. Jake plans to major in Mechanical Engineering.

Gaston - Emma Ann Nelli, daughter of James and Katherine Nelli, lives in Gastonia, North Carolina. Emma will graduate from Ashbrook High School where she is President of Civinettes, a member of the National Honor Society, and Junior Heart Board member. She has been a member of a teen-led grant group and also created a service project to distribute caps to under privileged boys. Emma plans to major in Marketing and Sales.

Graham - Gregory Alexander Grindstaff, son of Gregory C. Grindstaff and Jeanne C. Phillips, lives in Robbinsville, North Carolina. Gregory will graduate from Robbinsville High School where he is Co-Founder of the community service organization: RHS Crusaders, President of the local 4-H Club, and Co-Founder of the leadership club: Knights of the Roundtable. He attended Governor's School in 2008, and volunteers by tutoring in the after-school program. Gregory plans to major in Physics and Biology.

Guilford - Matthew Drexel Biggers, son of Jose and Carole Biggers, lives in Greensboro, North Carolina. Matthew will graduate from Walter Hines Page High School as an Advanced Placement Scholar where he is a leader of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Captain of the Varsity Soccer team, and a member of the Tri-M Music Honor Society. He also volunteers with the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and was awarded the Alexander Hamilton National Citizenship Award. He plans to major in Biomedical Engineering.

Guilford- Tracie Jordan Canada, daughter of Penny and Bruce Canada, lives in Summerfield, North Carolina. Tracie will graduate from Grimsley High School where she is the President of the Advanced Spanish Club and is a Student Ambassador. She is a volunteer at a local dance studio, tutors younger students in Math and Spanish, and is a candidate in the International Baccalaureate Program. Tracie plans to double major in Business and Spanish.

Guilford - Megan Elizabeth Cherry, daughter of Jeffery and Judith Cherry, lives in Jamestown, North Carolina. Megan will graduate from The Early College at Guilford where she is the Treasurer of the FIRST Robotics Team 1533. She also has been a FIRST Lego League mentor, a member of the Greensboro Symphony Youth Orchestra, and a member of the National Honor Society. Megan plans to double major in Biomedical Engineering and Mathematics.

Guilford - Raven Gabrielle Hartsfield, daughter of Larry and Angela Hartsfield, lives in Greensboro, North Carolina. Raven will graduate from James B. Dudley High School where she is President of the National Honor Society and Treasurer of the Student Government Association. She also serves as a peer tutor, is a member of the Teen Grant-making Council, and has been named a National Achievement Semifinalist. Raven plans to major in Economics.

Guilford - Alison Rebecca Kensmoe, daughter of John and Kathy Kensmoe, lives in Greensboro, North Carolina. Alison will graduate from Ragsdale High School where she is the Captain of the Varsity Cheerleading team, Vice President of National Honor Society, and Class Treasurer of Student Council. She also volunteers coaching Elementary School Cheerleading camps, leads school

service projects, and helps at a food shelter monthly. Alison plans to major in Computer Engineering.

Guilford - Janey Kellyn Kuyath daughter of Ron and Dorothy Kuyath, lives in Greensboro, North Carolina. Janey will graduate from Caldwell Academy where she is a member of the Beta Club, Editor of the Yearbook, and creator of GreensboroSOFT.com, a community service web site. She also coaches a team and referees games for Upward Basketball at her church, and has done volunteer work for Habitat for Humanity. Janey plans to major in Biomedical Engineering.

Guilford - Hunter Murray, son of David and Lynne Murray, lives in Greensboro, North Carolina. Hunter will graduate from Southern Guilford High School where he is the Student Body President, two-year Captain of the Soccer team, and Vice President of the Future Farmers of America. He has also attended Summer College in Biological and Life Sciences at NC State University, won the Wendy's High School Heisman Award, and volunteered at High Point Regional Health system through the PATH program. Hunter plans to major in Microbiology.

Guilford - Sean Alexander Myers, son of Alexander and Marybeth Myers, lives in High Point, North Carolina. Sean will graduate from the Early College at Guilford where he is presenting independent research on vector spaces. He also volunteers as an after school tutor, summer camp supervisor, and teaches the Korean martial art, as a 4th degree black belt and master. Sean plans to major in Physics.

Guilford - Pooja Sarin, daughter of Sanjiv and Ratna Sarin, lives in Greensboro, North Carolina. Pooja will graduate from Western Guilford High School where she is President of National Honor Society and the Student Environmental Action League. She has served over 250 hours with the Greensboro Youth Council and is the Assistant Chair of Youth Leadership Greensboro. Pooja plans to major in Biomedical Engineering.

Halifax - Brandon Colby Carlisle, son of Kim and Cheryl Carlisle, lives in Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina. Brandon will graduate from Roanoke Rapids High School where he is Valedictorian, Student Body President, and National Honor Society President. He is also a Key Club Treasurer, a member of the Spanish Honor Society, and a devoted volunteer in his community. Brandon plans to major in Biochemistry.

Henderson - Garnet Elise Fisher, daughter of Jon and Kate Fisher, lives in Hendersonville, North Carolina. Garnet will graduate from West Henderson High School where she is Editor-in-Chief of the yearbook, President of the National Honor Society, and Senior Class Historian. She also volunteers for Hands On! children's museum. Garnet plans to major in Graphic Design.

Henderson - Alice Perez, daughter of Emilio and Marlene Vina, lives in Lake Lure, North Carolina. Alice will graduate from North Henderson High School where she is President of the Student Body, Vice President of the French Club, and a member of the National Junior Honor Society. She is an Advanced Placement Scholar, has been a volunteer at mission hospitals and has been voted "Hardest Worker." Alice plans to major in Genetics.

Iredell - Claire Golle Lucas, daughter of Michael and Kimberly Lucas, lives in Mooresville, North Carolina. Claire will graduate from Mooresville High School where she is the Senior Class President, President of National Honor Society, and is the North Carolina Health Occupations Students of America State President. She also organized a charity event for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, which raised \$1,500 for the organization, received the Principal's Outstanding Character Award and

the Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award. Claire plans to major in Engineering.

Iredell - Jessica Elizabeth Melowski, daughter of Mark and Mary Melowski, lives in Troutman, North Carolina. Jessica will graduate from South Iredell High School where she is a member of the National Honor Society and the Beta Club. She also co-organized the Dodge for the Cure dodge ball tournament and volunteers at local events with the Interact and Spanish Clubs at her school. Jessica plans to major in Education.

Johnston - Amber Latrice Johnson, daughter of Rev. Rickie and Mrs. Emmy Johnson, lives in Clayton, North Carolina. Amber will graduate from Clayton High School where she is the President of the National Honor Society, an At-Large Member of the Student Government Association, the Blood Drive Committee Chairperson of Health Occupations Students of America, and has been selected as an Outstanding Senior. She also has been a volunteer Assistant Basketball Coach for Clayton Parks and Recreation and delivers Meals on Wheels for Johnston County. Amber plans to major in Biomedical Engineering.

Johnston - Erin Elizabeth Lineberger, daughter of Melody and Barry Lineberger, lives in Raleigh, North Carolina. Erin will graduate from West Johnston High School where she is President of Envirothon and Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and Vice President of the National Honor Society. She plans to major in Environmental Science.

Johnston - Paul Adam Peedin, son of Alvin and Pam Peedin Jr. lives in Smithfield, North Carolina. Adam will graduate from Princeton High School where he is the Senior Class Vice President, Beta Club Vice President, and a Fellowship of Christian Athletes leader. He is a Wendy's High School Heisman state finalist, a member of the Varsity Cross Country and Baseball teams, and he volunteers at the Princeton Little Tarheel League Ballpark. Adam plans to major in Engineering.

Johnston - Rebecca Ann Wiedemann, daughter of Al and Carol Wiedemann, lives in Clayton, North Carolina. Rebecca will graduate from Clayton High School where she is the Senior Class President, Committee Chair of Interact Club, as well as a student leader on the Superintendent's Student Advisory Board. She is a volunteer at the local Boys and Girls Club and is very active with her church. Rebecca plans to major in Psychology.

Lincoln - Matthew David Blakeley, son of Rick and Julie Blakeley, lives in Lincolnton, North Carolina. Matthew will graduate from Lincolnton High School where he is Vice President of the National Honor Society, Team Captain of the High-Q Traveling Team, and was voted "Most Intellectual." He is a Boy Scout in the process of attaining his Eagle Scout Award, was a People to People Student Ambassador, and is very active in the Youth Group at his church. Matthew plans to major in Mechanical Engineering.

Mecklenburg - Charlotte Johanna Ballentine, daughter of Henry and Cindy Ballentine, lives in Cornelius, North Carolina. Charlotte will graduate from Hopewell High School as a CollegeBoard Advanced Placement Scholar where she is Editor-in-Chief of the yearbook, Captain of the Women's Varsity Cross Country and Track teams, and a National Honor Society member. She also volunteers weekly at The Free Clinic of Our Towns and is a Head Lifeguard for Charlotte Swim Club Management, Inc. Charlotte plans to major in Biology.

Mecklenburg - Lauren Elizabeth Cagley, daughter of Mark and Linda Cagley, lives in Charlotte, North Carolina. Lauren will graduate from Providence Day School where she is: Editor-in-Chief of

the Yearbook, on the Student Government Executive Council, and on the Varsity Volleyball and Softball teams. She has also volunteered as a tutor at McClintock Middle School for the past two years, participated in two summer research projects in radio astronomy, and was named a recipient of the Award for Aspirations in Computing by the National Center for Women and Information Technology. Lauren plans to major in Chemical Engineering

Mecklenburg- Laura Elizabeth Carpenter, daughter of Jody and Beth Carpenter, lives in Charlotte, North Carolina. Laura will graduate from Myers Park High School where she is a Varsity Cross Country and Track runner, a class representative in the International Baccalaureate Student Council, and a member of the Chamber Symphony. She also volunteers as an English mentor for students learning English as their second language. She leads a weekly Bible study at her church and is a National Merit Semifinalist. Laura plans to major in Mechanical Engineering.

Mecklenburg - Jasmine Marie Frantz, daughter of Kevin and Patricia Frantz, lives in Charlotte, North Carolina. Jasmine will graduate from Charlotte Catholic High School where she is Captain of the Basketball and Volleyball teams, and the Vice President of the Spanish National Honor Society. She has been a volunteer at sport clinics and a tutor for Math and Science. Jasmine plans to major in Chemical Engineering.

Mecklenburg - Allison Renee Hofmann, daughter of Bob and Kathy Hofmann, lives in Charlotte, North Carolina. Allison will graduate from Myers Park High School where she is Captain of the Cross Country and Track teams, Vice President of the Student Government Association, and Homecoming Queen. She is an active member of the youth group at her church where she is a peer minister, is a volunteer Pianist for local hospitals and assisted living centers, and is initiating a Fruit of the Month Club for children in partnership with a local Food Lion. Allison plans to major in Nutrition or Exercise Science.

Mecklenburg - Griffith Lee Shapack, son of Edward and Claire Shapack, lives in Charlotte, North Carolina. Griff will graduate from Charlotte Catholic High School, where he is an Editor of the newspaper, a Varsity Football player, and voted "Most Involved." He serves in the Liturgical Ministry at his church, is in the National Honor Society, and is a National Merit Scholarship Commended Student. Griff plans to major in Civil Engineering.

Mecklenburg- Daniel David Wooten, son of David and Lisa Wooten, lives in Charlotte, North Carolina. Daniel will graduate from Providence High School where he is an officer in NJROTC, the Treasurer of Voices Activated, a service organization, and a lettered member of the Swim team. Daniel volunteers every summer with the Habitat for Humanity Re-Store as a carpenter and performs other services through the National Honor Society. Daniel plans to major in Nuclear Engineering.

Nash - Richard McAlister Deans, son of Bill and Charlotte Deans, lives in Rocky Mount, North Carolina. Richard will graduate from Rocky Mount High School where he leads the Quiz Bowl team, the Brain Game team, and the Varsity Boys' Cross Country team. He also volunteers for Habitat for Humanity, has gone on mission trips to Biloxi, Mississippi to repair Hurricane Katrina damage, and was one of two recipients of the Wendy's High School Heisman Student Athlete Award for his school.

New Hanover - John Ash Stemke, son of John and Lynn Stemke, Wilmington, North Carolina. Ash will graduate from Laney High School where he is involved in the school's orchestra, math team, and swim team. Ash plans to major in Chemistry.

Orange - Sarika L. Mendu, daughter of Sunder and Nandini Mendu, lives in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Sarika will graduate from the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics where she is Chapter Director of the ScienceDays Club and a Captain of the Varsity Tennis team. She has also earned the Girl Scout Gold Award and won several awards in Odyssey of the Mind and Science Olympiad competitions. Sarika plans to major in Engineering.

Pender - Seth Nicholas Kesler, son of Dickson and Theresa Kesler, lives in Surf City, North Carolina. Seth will graduate from Topsail High School, where he runs Track and Cross Country and is Vice President of the Key Club. He also is active in his Boy Scout troop and church. Seth plans to major in Aerospace Engineering.

Pitt - Alyssa Moriah Young Torres, daughter of Alex and Joni Torres, lives in Greenville, North Carolina. Alyssa will graduate from J.H. Rose High School where she is a DREAM Team officer, Co-Captain of the girls Cross Country team, and a participant in the Pitt County Teen Leadership Program. She is a volunteer at Pitt County Memorial Hospital, with over 300 hours of service, a National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholar, and an Advanced Placement Scholar with Honors. Alyssa plans to major in Architecture and Design.

Randolph - Kevin Arthur Applegate, son of Michael and Tamara Applegate, lives in Asheboro, North Carolina. Kevin will graduate from The North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics where he is a Residential Life Assistant, a Captain of the championship soccer team, and President of the Freestyle Fútbol Club. He has also participated in Habitat for Humanity builds and has volunteered at the local YMCA. Kevin plans to major in Engineering.

Rockingham - Allison Jeanne Nolker, daughter of Brett and Jill Nolker, lives in Reidsville, North Carolina. Allison will graduate from Rockingham County High School where she is President of National Honor Society, Beta Club, and Tri-M Music Honor Society. She is an attorney for the Rockingham County Teen Court, founder of the Monroeton Elementary Ecology Club, and is a recipient of the Daughters of the American Revolution Outstanding Citizen Award. Allison plans to major in Biology.

Rowan - Claire Elizabeth Kistler, daughter of Clifford and Tina Kistler, lives in Salisbury, North Carolina. Claire will graduate from West Rowan High School where she is the Secretary of the National Honor Society, a member of the Varsity Soccer team and an active member of the Environmental Club. She also is a volunteer at the homeless shelter and plays bass for her church praise band. Claire plans to major in Architecture.

Rowan - Jacob Michael Shuping, son of Jody and Kim Shuping, lives in Granite Quarry, North Carolina. Jacob will graduate from East Rowan High School where he is a member of Junior Civitan International, and Vice President of the National Honor Society and Sigma Phi Gamma, a Science Honor Society. He is an Eagle Scout, has been voted "Most Dedicated," and attended Summer Ventures in Science and Mathematics in 2008. Jacob plans to major in Biomedical Engineering.

Sampson - Lucero Galvan, daughter of Juan and Teresa Galvan, lives in Clinton, North Carolina. Lucero will graduate from Clinton High School where she is the President of Health Occupational Students Association, a Beta Club member, and Vice President of Spanish Honor Society. She has also volunteered in programs such as Teen Court, Special Olympics, and tutors Spanish-speaking students after school. Lucero plans to major in Pre-Medicine.

Wake - Ryan Alexander Collinsworth, son of John and Norma Collinsworth, lives in Apex, North Carolina. Ryan will graduate from Middle Creek High School where he is President of the National Honor Society, the President of the Spanish Honor Society, and a member of the Varsity Baseball team. He won the Woodmen of the World Award for proficiency in American History, is an Advanced Placement Scholar with Distinction, and has participated in mission trips to Guayaquil, Ecuador for three years. Ryan plans to double-major in Biochemistry and Spanish as part of a Pre-Medical program.

Wake - Tyler Confrey-Maloney, son of Alan Maloney and Jere Confrey, lives in Raleigh, North Carolina. Tyler will graduate from Needham B. Broughton High School where he is President of the Outdoor Adventure Club, played on the Varsity undefeated State Championship Soccer team, and managed the Broughton Young Democrats' contribution to the Obama-Biden campaign in 2008. He also is a member of the National Honor Society, an Advanced Placement Scholar with Honors, and a National Merit Semifinalist. Tyler plans to major in Engineering.

Wake - Adam Carswell Dunn, son of David and Cheryl Dunn, lives in Apex, North Carolina. Adam will graduate from Holly Springs High School where he is actively involved in the school band on Alto Saxophone, the National Honor Society, and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He has attended Interlochen Arts Camp, the world's most prestigious institute for young performing artists, for two summers. He is a member of the National Honor Band, and participates in many mission trips and service projects with his church. Adam plans to major in Civil Engineering.

Wake - Alyse Cristen Flick, daughter of Drs. Conrad & Anita Flick, lives in Cary, North Carolina. Alyse will graduate from Athens Drive High School where she is President of Key Club, Treasurer of the Student Council, and is the reporter and program coordinator for the NC State University Pre-Medical Group. She also serves as the Coordinator for the Imagine No Hunger Program in Wake County, has been working in the a research laboratory at NC State since the summer of 2008, and will be traveling to the Dominican Republic and Haiti this spring for medical and service mission trips. She plans to major in Biological Sciences with a concentration in Human Biology and minors in Health, Psychology, and Health, Medicine and Human Values.

Wake - David Hong, son of Hoon and Pauline Hong, lives in Raleigh, North Carolina. David will graduate from the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics where he conducts research in Computer Vision and is a programmer for the Robotics Team. He is an Eagle Scout, a recipient of the Fred Fletcher Outstanding Volunteer Project Award, and a volunteer tutor at the Emily K. Center. David plans to major in Electrical Engineering.

Wake - Jordan Dayle Lang, son of Daniel and Barbara Lang, lives in Cary, North Carolina. Jordan will graduate from Cardinal Gibbons High School where he is the President of the Anime Club, a member of the National Honor Society, and was voted as "Most Artistic." He also has received three Silver Key awards from the Scholastic Art Awards for his artwork in 2008. Jordan is an Eagle Scout and is currently serving his local Boy Scout troop as an Assistant Scoutmaster. Jordan plans to major in Industrial Design.

Wake - Ebuloluwa Ololade Olaleye, daughter of David and Folake Olaleye, lives in Wake Forest, North Carolina. Ebuloluwa will graduate from Wake Forest-Rolesville High School where she is President of the National Achievers Society, Co-President of the Science Honor Society, and Co-President of Students Against Destructive Decisions / Students Against Violence Everywhere Club. She is also a Duke University Medical Center Volunteer, Sunday School teacher, and Mayor's Award

recipient for summer volunteering.

Wake - Patrick Joseph Short, son of John and Denice Short, lives in Raleigh, North Carolina. Patrick will graduate from Sanderson High School where he is the Drum Major of the Marching Band, the Most Outstanding Player on the Varsity Tennis team, and President of the Math Team. He also serves as Vice President of the Senior Class Council, as a National Honor Society tutor and service project volunteer, and as a Church Youth Board Leader. Patrick plans to major in Biomedical Engineering.

Wake - Ashwin Paul Srikrishna, son of Mayasandra and Vagdevi Srikrishna, lives in Raleigh, North Carolina. Ashwin will graduate from William G. Enloe High School where he is Captain of the Science Bowl team, Co-Captain of the Duke Math Meet and Brain Game teams, and Vice President of the Red Cross Club. He volunteered at the Food Bank of Central and Eastern NC and has been a Sunday School Youth Leader at the Hindu Society in Morrisville. He represented the state in the 2006 American Region Math League competition, ranked first in the Junior Division of the American Computer Science League, placed Enloe in the top twelve at the National Science Bowl and attended the 2008 Governor's School of North Carolina. Ashwin plans to double major in Chemical Engineering and Chemistry.

Wake- Gretchen Louise Stokes, daughter of Bill and Nancy Stokes, lives in Apex, North Carolina. Gretchen will graduate from Apex High School where she is President of the Environmental Club and a Trumpet player in Wind Ensemble and for the spring musical. She is also a Junior Curator at the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences, Chief Petty Officer in Sea Scout Ship 207, and graduated first in her class at the 2008 Texas Gulf Coast Sea Scout Advanced Leadership Training course. Gretchen plans to major in Fisheries and Wildlife.

Wake - Kyle Bonner Thompson, son of Brigid and William Thompson, lives in Willow Spring, North Carolina. Kyle is home schooled and will graduate from K.C. Thompson High School. He is President of the Capital Area National Home School Honor Society, a National Merit Commended student, and an Advanced Placement Scholar. He is an Eagle Scout, attended the Summer Ventures in Science and Mathematics program, and plays the violin in his church's orchestra. Kyle plans to major in Aerospace Engineering.

Wake - Nathaniel Ho-chun Ting, son of Raymond and Elsa Ting, lives in Cary, North Carolina. Nathaniel will graduate from Cary Academy where he is Junior Captain of the Varsity Wrestling team, Secretary of the National Honor Society, and has been named the PTAA Merit Scholar with Excellence. He has been playing violin for 13 years, serves as chairperson of the Raleigh Chinese Christian Church youth group, and has done short-term missions in the Navajo Reservation and Atlanta. Nathaniel plans to major in Electrical and Computer Engineering.

Wake - John Michael Turner, son of Mike and Peg Turner, lives in Raleigh, North Carolina. John will graduate from Middle Creek High School where he is Student Body President, a National Merit Scholar Semi-Finalist, and a past President of Key Club. He is also a US EPA/Shaw University Research Apprentice and Intern and 2008 Student of the Year. He has created and organized two service fairs to promote youth volunteer service opportunities, and he received three President's Volunteer Service Awards by giving over 700 hours of community service. John plans to major in Mechanical Engineering.

Wayne - Jamie Lee Johnson, daughter of Michael and Debra Johnson, lives in Goldsboro, North Carolina. Jamie will graduate from Spring Creek High School where she is President of the Senior

Class, Vice President of National Honor Society, and Vice President of Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She has received her Girl Scout Silver, Bronze, and Leadership Awards and is currently working on her Gold Award. She also volunteers at her church and in her community. Jamie plans to major in Biomedical Engineering.

Wilson - Charlotte Rastas, daughter of Jo and Paul Rastas, lives in Wilson, North Carolina. Charlotte will graduate from Fike High School where she is President of Science Olympiad and Vice President of Science National Honor Society. Charlotte plans to major in Biochemistry.

Nebraska

Douglas - Jessica Marceline Lucas, daughter of Jean Lucas and Dan Lucas, lives in Omaha, Nebraska. Jessica will graduate from Northwest High School where she is a two-year President of Student Council. She has received the Outstanding Sophomore award by the Omaha Exchange Club and is Secretary and Section Leader in Concert Choir. Jessica is a volunteer with the homeless and coordinates coat drives and Christmas caroling. She serves on the Douglas County Teen Court and has volunteered over 600 hours performing at the Omaha Community Playhouse. Jessica plans to major in International Politics with a minor in Spanish.

New Jersey

Passaic - Jodie Louise Joseph, daughter of Melissa and Peter Joseph, lives in Wayne, New Jersey. Jodie will graduate from Wayne Hills High School where she is the Relay for Life Event Chair, Student Council Vice President, and the Animal Food Bank Student Activities Coordinator. She also works as a Veterinary Technician, volunteers at the local animal shelter, and is a National Merit Commended Scholar. Jodie plans to major in Pre-Veterinary Medicine/Animal Sciences, specializing in Animal Oncology.

New York

Saratoga - Samantha Jean Lovering, daughter of Elizabeth and Mark Lovering, lives in Waterford, New York. Samantha will graduate from Shenendehowa High School where she is the Senior Class Vice President, a two-time World Class Finalist at the annual Winter Guard International World Championships, and a member of the National Honor Society. She also has been a member of CAPTAIN's Teen Talk program. Samantha plans to major in Zoology.

Ohio

Cuyahoga - Alyson Blair Harding, daughter of Jeff and Carrie Harding, lives in Strongsville, Ohio. Alyson will graduate from Strongsville High School where she is President of Latin Club, Treasurer of Math Club, and a Student Council Representative. She is also the founder of "Senior Services," a grant-funded service project to aid the elderly. She is a member of the Strongsville Youth Commission, a service and leadership organization, and a Peer Minister at her church. Alyson plans to major in Anthropology.

Hamilton - Galen Elizabeth Graham, daughter of Jeff and Elizabeth Graham, lives in Wyoming, Ohio. Galen will graduate from Wyoming High School where she is a captain of the Varsity Soccer and Basketball teams, plays violin in her high school's Philharmonia orchestra, and is a member of both the National and Latin Honor Societies. She also acts as a Student Representative on the city's Health and Wellness Committee and volunteers for the Teen Advisory Program, in which she works with a 6th grade class on leadership skills. Galen plans to major in Pre-Medicine.

Summit - Caitlin Irene McCombs, daughter of Connie Lutz and Leon McCombs, lives in Green,

Ohio. Caitlin will graduate Green High School where she is a Student Council Officer, National Honor Society member, and served as the Green High Representative at the Summit-Portage Leader Institute. She placed third in the state Laws of Life essay contest, volunteers as a peer tutor, and serves as a Teaching Assistant at her church. Caitlin plans to major in Engineering.

Pennsylvania

Upper St. Clair- Brian Gaudio, son of Frank and Kathleen Gaudio, lives in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Brian will graduate from Upper St. Clair High School where he is President of Stock Market Club, member of Athletes Taking Action, and Captain of the Baseball team. He will be a valedictorian, and has been on two service trips to the Dominican Republic with the student group Kids Helping Kids. He is currently working on a service project called ShoeManity, which brings shoes to those who are barefoot in Haiti. Brian plans to major in Architecture.

South Carolina

Laurens - Olivia Keyes, daughter of Skeet and Liz Keyes, lives in Clinton, South Carolina. Olivia will graduate from the South Carolina Governor's School for Science and Mathematics where she is the captain of the Cross Country and Basketball teams and head of a promotional video project for her school. She completed mission trips in both New Orleans and New York, was a volunteer swimming instructor, and participated in Relay for Life. Olivia plans to major in Marine Science.

Sumter - William Bull Clinkscales, son of Norman and Nancy Clinkscales, lives in Sumter, South Carolina. William will graduate from Wilson Hall where he is the Editor of the Literary Magazine and President of the National Honor Society and Senior Beta Club. He also volunteers for United Ministries of Sumter, serves as a peer tutor to middle school students, and was selected as the Sumter Optimist Club Youth of the Year. William plans to major in Landscape Architecture.

Tennessee

Hamilton - Alexander Darrow Kirkpatrick, son of Darrow and Caroline Kirkpatrick, lives in Signal Mountain, Tennessee. Alex will graduate from Baylor School where he is a member of the Round Table Literary Society and the Inner Circle Film Club. He has also received the French Award and been inducted into the National Honor Society. Alex plans to major in Industrial Design.

Hamilton - Gregory Nelson Roop, son of Gary and Melissa Roop, Chattanooga, TN. Greg will graduate from Baylor School where he is the captain of the swim team, president of the National Honor Society, and a teacher's assistant for a leadership program. He is also an All-American and homecoming king. Greg plans to major in exercise science.

Rutherford - Heidi Elizabeth Klumpe, daughter of Eric and Marynelle Klumpe, lives in Murfreesboro, Tennessee. Heidi will graduate from Riverdale High School where she is the President of National Honor Society, Captain of the Girls' Cross Country team, and Editor-in-Chief of the yearbook. She also has been a Sunday School teacher at her church. Heidi plans to major in Aerospace Engineering.

Williamson - Elizabeth Moore Smith, daughter of Dale and Sally Smith, lives in Franklin, Tennessee. Elizabeth will graduate from Centennial High School where she is the Vice President of the Senior Class, goalkeeper for the Varsity Girls' Soccer team, and has been voted "Most Studious." She sings in the youth Sunshine Choir at her church and volunteers as a mentor and tutor at Harvest Hands, a local redevelopment program. Elizabeth plans to major in Biomedical Engineering.

Texas

Fort Bend - Kevin Marx Miller, son of Mark and Kathy Miller, Sugarland, Texas. Kevin will graduate from Strake Jesuit, where he leads the percussion section of the Jazz band, Orchestra, and Symphonic band. He plans on participating in the National Multiple Sclerosis charity bike ride, is proficient in Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, and volunteers for the choir at his local church. Kevin plans to major in Business.

Virginia

Augusta - John Thomas Nickerson Miller, son of Thomas and Diane Miller, lives in Stuarts Draft, Virginia. John will graduate from Stuarts Draft High School where he is President of the National Honor Society, President of the French Club, and Co-Captain of the Indoor Track team. He has been a volunteer for the Augusta County Library for four years, spent two summers assisting adults with mental challenges at the ARC of Augusta Day Activity Program, and has been selected as a National Merit Scholarship semifinalist. John plans to major in Biomedical Engineering.

Campbell - Alyxandra Lynn Reinhardt, daughter of Bob and Sue Reinhardt, lives in Lynchburg, Virginia. Alyx will graduate from Brookville High School where she is Captain of the Color Guard and Winter Guard and an active member of her Latin Club, Key Club, and Red Cross Club. She is a National Merit Commended Scholar, the Greater Lynchburg's Junior Miss Class of 2009 Scholastic Winner, and Central Virginia Governor's School's Math Student of the Year for the 2007-2008 school year. Alyx plans to major in Animal Science.

Chesterfield - Amber Alexandra Lombardi, daughter of Amber and Jeff Lombardi, lives in Midlothian, Virginia. Alex will graduate from the Mathematics and Science High School at Clover Hill where she is Co-Captain of the dance team, President of the Friends of HAPPE, an animal rescue group, and the Vice President of National Honor Society. She also acts as a mentor to the freshmen and was selected to attend the 2008 Governor's School for Life Sciences and Medicine at Virginia Commonwealth University. Amber plans to major in Biological Sciences.

Isle of Wight - Matthew Clay Waller, son of David and Tamara Waller, lives in Smithfield, Virginia. Matthew will graduate from Peninsula Catholic High School where he serves as Vice President of the National Honor Society, has served on the Honor Council, and is a charter member of Mu Alpha Theta, a national Math Honor Society. He has worked at NASA for their DEVELOP Program, volunteered in numerous community activities as well as a tutor in Math, Physics, Chemistry, and Spanish, and attended the National Student Leadership Conference in Engineering at the University of Maryland. Matthew plans to major in Chemical Engineering.

Lincoln- Nicholas Allen Porter, son of Ruth and Chester Porter, Branchland WV. Nicholas will graduate from Lincoln County High School where he is the Battalion commander of the JROTC unit, and a member of the band and academic team. He is a recipient of the Time/Bentley Tomorrow25 honor, a congressional gold medalist, and an Eagle Scout. Nicholas plans to major in engineering.

Lynchburg - Joshua Standish Knight, son of Lance and Carlos Knight, lives in Lynchburg, Virginia. Josh will graduate from Heritage High School where he plays soccer and is the Captain of the Cross Country and Indoor Track teams. He has also volunteered at a local retirement center, gone on a mission trip to St. Vincent, and served food for the homeless at the Roanoke Rescue Center. Josh plans to major in Nuclear Engineering.

Portsmouth - Linwood Thomas Joyner, II, grandson of Elton and Elnora Vinson, lives in Portsmouth, Virginia. Linwood will graduate from I. C. Norcom High School where he is the President of the National Honor Society, was selected to be on the Principal's Student Advisory Board, and has been voted "Class Brain." He is a math tutor for grades K-6, a volunteer for the American Red Cross, and the Vice President of the Youth Advisory Commission. Linwood plans to major in Biochemistry.

Prince William - Christina Elizabeth Marocco, daughter of Douglas and Sandra Marocco, lives in Montclair, Virginia. Christina will graduate from Forest Park High School where she is President of National Honor Society, Public Relations Officer of SCA, and Captain of the Varsity Swim team. She is a coach for Special Olympics, helps at the ACTS Homeless Shelter, and was awarded Youth Salute. Christina plans to major in Psychology.

Suffolk - Achal Apurva Patel, son of Apurva and Vandana Patel, lives in Suffolk, Virginia. Achal will graduate from Nansemond Suffolk-Academy where he is President of the National Honor Society and Peer Counselors as well as the Honor Council Recording Secretary. He also volunteered at the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and Maryview Medical Center over past summers and participated in the Boys State of Virginia. Achal plans to major in International Studies.

Yorktown - Katelyn Elena Christein, daughter of John Paul and Suzanne Christein, lives in Yorktown, Virginia. Katelyn will graduate from Tabb High School where she is Vice President of the Spanish Honor Society, Captain of the Girls Varsity Soccer team, and has interned in the Aerodynamics Branch at NASA. She also organized student volunteers for the 2008 Senior Baccalaureate Ceremony, teaches Religious Education classes at her church, and organized a clothing drive for disabled adults. Katelyn plans to major in Aerospace Engineering.