The 2016 U.S. Presidential Scholars Program’s
Distinguished Teachers

Mr. Richard Aaron, Unknown High School, Cello Performance
Nominating Scholar: Zlatomir Fung

Mr. James Adamson, Central Kitsap High School, WA, Technology
Nominating Scholar: Madison Largey

Mr. Kevin Anderson, Lyons-Decatur Northeast Schls, NE, Vocational Agricultural Education
Nominating Scholar: Brent Miller

Mr. Richard Anthony, The Derryfield School, NH, English
Nominating Scholar: Elizabeth Krogman

Dr. Molly Arboleda, Claremont High School, CA, History
Nominating Scholar: Diana Chao

Mrs. Jennifer Argo, Pelham High School, AL, Sculpture/Track Coach
Nominating Scholar: Peyton Strickland

Mr. Jeffrey Arra, Avon Lake High School, OH, English
Nominating Scholar: Audrey Spensley

Mr. Steven Bartlett, Centennial High School, ID, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Aurora Cossairt

Mr. Hans Batra, Needham High School, MA, Math, Computer Science, and Robotics
Nominating Scholar: Dianne Lee

Mr. Matthew Beeken, Blacksburg High School, VA, Calculus
Nominating Scholar: Genty Daku

Mrs. Erica Benedict, Radnor High School, PA, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Katherine Hung

Mrs. Alina Borger-Germann, City High School, IA, English
Nominating Scholar: Sonali Durham

Ms. Dale Brooks, Design & Architecture Senior High School, FL, Visual Communications
Nominating Scholar: Nadia Wolff
Mrs. Lynda Brown, Alan C. Pope High School, GA, Computer Science & Business
Nominating Scholar: Jose Espinel

Ms. Lorene Cannella, Marriotts Ridge High School, MD, Computer Science
Nominating Scholar: Nicholas Santangelo

Mrs. Lai Cao, Baton Rouge Magnet High School, LA, Physics
Nominating Scholar: Stefan D'Sa

Mr. Wai Chan, William P. Clements High School, TX, AP Environmental Science
Nominating Scholar: Amy Ma

Mr. Jim Coleman, Chisholm High School, OK, Science
Nominating Scholar: Ryan Tom

Mrs. Lisa Collins, Charles H Mccann Technical Sch, MA, Biology/Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Samantha Dorwin

Ms. Irmarie Coriano, St. John's School, PR, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Luisa Baez

Mr. Mathew Crawford, Unknown High School, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Sabrina Chen

Ms. Kathy Crutcher, Unknown High School, Creative Writing
Nominating Scholar: Rachel Page

Mrs. Monica Cuza, Carrollton Sacred Heart, FL, HS Mathematics; Chair-Mathematics Dept.
Nominating Scholar: Christina Cruz

Mrs. Grace Dellinger, Reservoir High School, MD, English
Nominating Scholar: Meghna Sreenivas

Mrs. Elizabeth Dolan, Phillips Exeter Academy, NH, Counselor
Nominating Scholar: Mandy Lu
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Mr. Peter Donhauser, Trinity School, NY, History
Nominating Scholar: Caroline Engelmayer

Mrs. Deirdre Donovan, South Burlington High School, VT, Social Studies
Nominating Scholar: Alan Chiang

Ms. Lisa Dossett, Interlake High School, WA, Physics
Nominating Scholar: Sunayana Rane

Mr. Ray Dunne, Santa Margarita Catholic High School, CA, AP U.S. Government/Principal
Nominating Scholar: David Bao

Mr. Joseph Ellis, Morris Hills High School, NJ, United States History
Nominating Scholar: Shagun Vashisth

Mr. David Ersig, Henry Ford II High School, MI, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Daniel Mathew

Mr. Brian Faulk, Phillips Academy, MA, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Angela Tang

Mrs. Sally Fenska, Cascia Hall Preparatory School, OK, AP Biology
Nominating Scholar: Katherine Rule

Mrs. Denise Ferguson, Alta High School, UT, English
Nominating Scholar: Makayla Hendricks

Mrs. Kari Field, Billings West High School, MT, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Trevor Canty

Mrs. Diane Flaherty, Cedar Falls High School, IA, English
Nominating Scholar: Sarah Gao

Mr. Thom Flinders, Holderness School, NH, Biology
Nominating Scholar: Nathan Sampo

Mrs. Shannon Ford, Warren County High School, TN, Vet Science
Nominating Scholar: Marlie Montandon
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**Mr. Greg Fox**, Eastside High School, SC, Calculus
Nominating Scholar: Jonathan Michala

**Mrs. Karrie Fredrickson**, Sartell High School, MN, Social Studies
Nominating Scholar: Gopi Ramanathan

**Mr. Jared Friebel**, Hinsdale Township High School Central, IL, Honors Seminar in Writing
Nominating Scholar: Elizabeth Keller

**Ms. Katherine Gabbay**, Ridgefield High School, CT, English
Nominating Scholar: Gunnar Smith

**Dr. Rocco Galante**, Academy for Medical Science Technology, NJ, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Hye Rim Jang

**Ms. Valerie Gemskie**, Walter Payton College Preparatory School, IL, Latin
Nominating Scholar: Samuel Detmer

**Ms. Susan Gevelber**, West High School, WI, AP European History
Nominating Scholar: Gabriel Saiz

**Dr. Denise Gianopoulos**, Cottonwood Classical Preparatory School, NM, English
Nominating Scholar: Sage Marie Herrick

**Mr. William Gillespie**, Collierville High School, TN, English
Nominating Scholar: Sneha Mittal

**Dr. Gabriel Gillette**, West Memphis High School, AR, Physics
Nominating Scholar: Bryan Conston

**Ms. Tami Golliday**, Bexley High School, OH, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Venkatesh Sivaraman

**Mr. Jason Gould**, Eaglecrest High School, CO, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Danielle Newton

**Mr. Brett Guisti**, Davidson Academy of Nevada, NV, Physics
Nominating Scholar: Haydn Bradstreet
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Ms. Lindsey Halman, Unknown High School, Social Sciences
Nominating Scholar: Chloe Lemmel-Hay

Mr. Chadwick Hamilton, Lincoln High School, OR, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Alexander Zhang

Mr. Eric Hankin, Design & Architecture Senior High School, FL, Architecture
Nominating Scholar: Cornelius Tulloch

Mr. Austin Hayward, Carl Wunsche Sr. High School, TX, Engineering
Nominating Scholar: Mohammad Rahim

Mr. Ron Headrick, New World School of the Arts, FL, Theater
Nominating Scholar: Katerina McCrimmon

Mrs. Nicole Henneke, YES Prep Gulfton, TX, College Counseling/ Senior Seminar
Nominating Scholar: Francisco Cernada

Mr. James Herzog, Iowa Falls High School, IA, Physical Sciences/Engineering
Nominating Scholar: Joseph Tibbs

Mr. Robert Hines, Richard Montgomery High School, MD, History
Nominating Scholar: Anna Lavrentieva

Mr. Vic Hofstetter, Borah High School, ID, Calculus
Nominating Scholar: Phillip Cathers

Mrs. Nicole Huff, Hillcrest High School, UT, Counseling
Nominating Scholar: Anthony Cheng

Mr. Jeffe Huls, Santa Monica High School, CA, Choir
Nominating Scholar: Ben Ross

Ms. Karen Izzo, East Greenwich High School, RI, English
Nominating Scholar: Grace Miner

Mrs. Melanie Jacobson, Mitchell High School, SD, Math
Nominating Scholar: Shelby Riggs
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**Mr. Cary James**, Bangor High School, ME, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Paige Brown

**Mr. Lee Johnson**, Barren County High School, KY, AP United States Government and Politics
Nominating Scholar: Gunnar Eaton

**Mr. Jay Jones**, John P. Stevens High School, NJ, Biology
Nominating Scholar: Dennis Aldea

**Mr. Mark Kano**, Unknown High School, Voice
Nominating Scholar: Lydia Graham

**Mr. Marcus Kaya**, Punahou School, HI, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Michael Chen

**Ms. Maggie Kayayan**, Colegio Maya, Social Sciences
Nominating Scholar: Jonathan Barney

**Mrs. Dawne Kennedy**, Kewaunee Senior High School, WI, Reading/Special Education
Nominating Scholar: Paige Kassner

**Mr. Stephen Kim**, Phillips Academy, MA, English
Nominating Scholar: Jenny Huang

**Mr. Eric Kincaid**, Morgantown High School, WV, Biology
Nominating Scholar: Yixuan Pei

**Mrs. Dewanda Kirkland**, West Memphis High School, AR, Spanish Language
Nominating Scholar: Ryan Conston

**Mrs. Emily Klingbeil**, Cambridge Senior High School, WI, Agriculture
Nominating Scholar: Kendra Spier

**Mrs. Alesha Knight**, Corinth High School, MS, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Emma Knight

**Mr. Matthew Langridge**, Unknown High School, Music
Nominating Scholar: Victoria Canal Tinius
Mr. Edward Leggett, Mississippi School for Mathematics & Science, MS, Physics  
Nominating Scholar: Nathaniel Barlow

Mr. Frank Lenox, East Greenwich High School, RI, Physics  
Nominating Scholar: Xiao Yi Wu

Mr. Steven Lensegrav, Powell High School, WY, Chemistry/Physics  
Nominating Scholar: Tristan Bohlman

Mr. Ethan Levine, Archmere Academy, DE, Mathematics  
Nominating Scholar: Rahul Subbaraya

Mr. David Lewis, Darien High School, CT, Authentic Science Research  
Nominating Scholar: Katie Tsui

Mr. Zach Lipman, Millard North High School, NE, Debate  
Nominating Scholar: Raymond Thai

Mr. Andrew Lipps, Georgetown Day School, DC, Math  
Nominating Scholar: Noah Kravitz

Mr. Robert Lipsett, Unknown High School, Violin  
Nominating Scholar: Aubree Oliverson

Mr. Lee Lobenhofer, Fiorello H. Laguardia High School of Music, NY, Drama  
Nominating Scholar: Dario Natarelli

Ms. Francine Locker, E J King American High School, English  
Nominating Scholar: Yuuta Kendall

Mrs. Anna Loonam, Bellaire Senior High School, TX, Biology  
Nominating Scholar: Liana Wang

Mrs. Rose Lounsbury, Charter School of Wilmington, DE, Biology  
Nominating Scholar: Jayna Lennon

Mr. John Love, Carmel High School, IN, English  
Nominating Scholar: Cynthia Yue
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Mrs. Deepa Mahadevan, Unknown High School, Bharatanatyam (Indian Classical Dance)
Nominating Scholar: Pavithra Nagarajan

Ms. JaMonica Marion, Chicago Hs Agricultural Sci, IL, Agricultural Education
Nominating Scholar: Madeline Poole

Ms. Cindy Marmor, Cerro Gordo High School, IL, High School Science
Nominating Scholar: Sierra Day

Ms. Christine McBurney, Shaker Heights High School, OH, Drama
Nominating Scholar: Lauryn Hobbs

Mr. Jason McGee, Crown Point High School, IN, Math
Nominating Scholar: Paul Dawley

Dr. Robert McHeffey, Westview High School, CA, Literature
Nominating Scholar: Emmit Pert

Ms. Robin McMahon, Unknown High School, French
Nominating Scholar: Jay Pande

Mrs. Sharon McMeans-Lukiri, Lovejoy High School, GA, U.S. History
Nominating Scholar: Olugbenga Ojo-Osagie

Mr. Orion Miller, Saint Mary's Episcopal School, TN, Calculus
Nominating Scholar: Swarna Sakshi

Dr. Jon Miller, The North Carolina School of Science & Mathematics, NC, American Studies/British Literature
Nominating Scholar: Sharon Chen

Mrs. Jody Moehrle, Colton High School, WA, English
Nominating Scholar: Luke Moore

Ms. Lindsay Mossa, Severna Park Senior High Sch, MD, Biology
Nominating Scholar: Norman Xiong

Dr. Jose Nocua, Unknown High School, Physics
Nominating Scholar: Carlos Velazquez
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Ms. Cara O'Dell, Baton Rouge Magnet High School, LA, Calculus AB
Nominating Scholar: Anna Jang

Mrs. Carolyn Okunaga, Mililani High School, HI, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Joseph Fujinami

Ms. Maria Olvera, Westside High School, NE, Spanish
Nominating Scholar: Bridget Mizener

Dr. Mark Ombrello, St. John's School, GU, history and social studies
Nominating Scholar: Danielle Stephenson

Mrs. Kate Padberg, Unknown High School, Art
Nominating Scholar: Grant Pace

Mr. Joseph Paddenburg, Southside High School, SC, AP World History
Nominating Scholar: Karen Zhao

Ms. Alexandra Paer, Punahou School, HI, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Eileen Liu

Ms. Sharon Parker, Maggie L. Walker Governor's School, VA, Mentorship/Research Class
Nominating Scholar: Reshini Premaratne

Mr. Scott Parsons, Hathaway Brown School, OH, English
Nominating Scholar: Isabella Nilsson

Mr. Chad Perkins, Independence High School, WV, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Caleb Miller

Mrs. Paula Petterson, Ridgeview Classical Schools, CO, Biology
Nominating Scholar: Blake Salvador

Mr. Greg Pile, Sumner High School, WA, Agricultural Science
Nominating Scholar: Alyssa McGee

Mrs. Ani Porter, American Heritage School Boca/Delray, FL, Social Studies
Nominating Scholar: Devin Barkey
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Mr. Douglas Pride, Greely High School, ME, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Matthew Pisini

Mrs. Rosemary Pringle, Design & Architecture Senior High School, FL, Fashion Design
Nominating Scholar: Diana Eusebio

Mr. Kevin Purpura, Hathaway Brown School, OH, History, Economics
Nominating Scholar: Kavya Ravichandran

Mrs. Cheryle Radcliff, Souderton Area High School, PA, Guidance
Nominating Scholar: Hirsh Sisodia

Mrs. Marianna Reep, Stuyvesant High School, NY, Biology
Nominating Scholar: Amrit Hingorani

Mr. Richard Reese, Carver High School, GA, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Markeisha Wagner

Ms. Michele Robnett, Strafford R-VI High School, MO, Curriculum Director and Gifted Teacher
Nominating Scholar: Faith Wen

Mrs. Danielle Rutherford, South County Secondary School, VA, Career and Technical Education
Nominating Scholar: Peter Wang

Mrs. Andrea Sanderson, Southern Wayne High School, NC, Agriculture Education
Nominating Scholar: Carter Jones

Mr. Seth Schirmer, Texas High School, TX, Physics AP
Nominating Scholar: Leah Crenshaw

Mr. Carl Schmidt, Monta Vista High School, CA, Business
Nominating Scholar: Albert Zeng

Ms. Beth Seibel-Hunt, St. Paul Academy and Summit School, MN, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Anna Biggs
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**Mr. Adam Sharrai**, Valdez High School, AK, Math
Nominating Scholar: Michael Radotich

**Mr. Eric Skoglund**, Olathe Northwest High School, KS, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Nicolas Rodriguez

**Mrs. Megan Sletten**, Century High School, ND, English
Nominating Scholar: Sedalia Mahlum

**Mr. Sean Smith**, Ensworth High School, TN, Music
Nominating Scholar: Aison King

**Mr. Joe Sobeske**, Unknown High School, Computer and Networking Technology
Nominating Scholar: Mindy Young

**Mr. Jason Soffe**, Logan High School, UT, U.S. History
Nominating Scholar: Jennifer Ban

**Mr. Mike Sparrow**, Pahranagat Valley High School, NV, Math
Nominating Scholar: Brook Higbee

**Ms. Terry Stanley**, Land O Lakes High School, FL, Biology
Nominating Scholar: Jeffrey Gu

**Mrs. Dana Stansbery**, Central Cass High School, ND, Media Specialist
Nominating Scholar: Ian Saum

**Mr. Peter Starodub**, Palos Verdes Peninsula High School, CA, AP Chemistry and Science Research
Nominating Scholar: Ruwanthi Ekanayake

**Ms. Lisa Stoller**, Booker T. Washington High School for the Performing & Visual Arts, TX, Dance
Nominating Scholar: Kaylin Sturtevant

**Mr. Burr Storrs**, Jackson Hole Community School, WY, Math
Nominating Scholar: Walter Thulin
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Mrs. Pamela Tautz, University High School, AZ, Physics
Nominating Scholar: Natalie Ezeugwu

Mrs. Bobbie Timmermann, Nettleton High School, AR, Business Technology
Nominating Scholar: Jordan Lee

Mr. Robert Tinnell, Northwest Career and Tech Academy, NV, Physics
Nominating Scholar: Mackenzie Wooten

Mr. David Vano, West Anchorage High School, AK, Literature
Nominating Scholar: Elana Fortson

Ms. Lacey VanReeth, Alexander W Dreyfoos School of the Arts, FL, AP Art History
Nominating Scholar: Zachary Rapaport

Mr. David Vernon, Western High School, NC, Science
Nominating Scholar: Samuel Lowe

Ms. Adina Verson, Unknown High School, Theater
Nominating Scholar: Sean Stack

Mrs. Elizabeth Vogt, Theodore F. Riggs High School, SD, English
Nominating Scholar: Austin Lentsch

Ms. Jennifer Walworth, Loyola Sacred Heart High School, MT, English
Nominating Scholar: Rosemarie McCormack

Mrs. Danielle Weber, Academy of Information Technology, CT, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Tanusri Balla

Mrs. Lily Weiss, Booker T. Washington High School for the Performing & Visual Arts, TX, Artistic Director of the Arts
Nominating Scholar: Jared Brown

Mrs. Martha Whipple, Capitan High School, NM, Student Advisor
Nominating Scholar: Oliver Schultz

Mr. Robert Wilder, Spartanburg High School, SC, AP Environmental Science
Nominating Scholar: Jessica Marlow
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Ms. Alesia Williams, duPont Manual Magnet High School, KY, AP English Language and Composition
Nominating Scholar: Xinlan Hu

Mr. Charles Williams, Oviedo High School, FL, Information Technology
Nominating Scholar: David Zuluaga

Mr. Travis Wilson, Glendale Preparatory Academy, AZ, Humanities
Nominating Scholar: Calen Firedancing

Mr. Tim Wisecarver, Georgetown Preparatory School, MD, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Nikita-Girey Demir

Mr. Gary Wyss, Jesuit High School, LA, English
Nominating Scholar: Mayank Mardia

Ms. Ming Yang, Boston Latin School, MA, Chinese
Nominating Scholar: William Wang

Mr. Dave Yoder, Beavercreek High School, OH, Physics
Nominating Scholar: Richard Huang