

2017 U.S. Presidential Scholars Program's Distinguished Teachers

Mrs. Denise Abbott, Timpview High School, UT, Physiology & Anatomy, Science Department Chair
Nominating Scholar: Anne Clark

Hanisi Accetta, Lincoln High School, OR, Social Sciences
Nominating Scholar: Katherine Leblanc

Sasha Alcott, Phillips Exeter Academy, NH, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Ria A. Das

Melissa Anderson, West High School, UT, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Kathy Liu

Ms. Deborah Aughey, Kennesaw Mountain High School, GA, English
Nominating Scholar: Zane G. Placie

Ellen Austin, Harker School, CA, Journalism
Nominating Scholar: Meilan E. Steimle

Mrs. Catherine Battersby, The Culver Academies, IN, Unknown
Nominating Scholar: Troy Shen

Dr. Michael Berglund, Holland Hall School, OK, English Department Head
Nominating Scholar: Grant M. Gebetsberger

Mr. Matt Borgmann, Palisade Senior High School, CO, Social Studies
Nominating Scholar: Anqi Yu

Mr. Sean Boston, Capital High School, ID, Math, Science
Nominating Scholar: Henry Zhang

Mrs. Lea Bouton, A. J. Dimond High School, AK, Science
Nominating Scholar: Makayla J. Maisey

Mr. Dean Bradshaw, Adlai E. Stevenson High School, IL, English
Nominating Scholar: Kathy M. Xiang

Andrew Bramante, Greenwich High School, CT, Science
Nominating Scholar: William Yin

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Clare Bryan, New Fairfield High School, CT, World Language: Italian
Nominating Scholar: Kristen Richichi

Mrs. Michele Buche, Blue Valley North High School, KS, Gifted Education
Nominating Scholar: Hannah Motley

Mr. Timothy Campbell, Princeton High School, NJ, History
Nominating Scholar: Winona H. Guo

Ann Cassin, Syosset High School, NY, Science
Nominating Scholar: Ben S. Rhee

Nikki Chamberlain, Salina High School South, KS, Science
Nominating Scholar: Tyler Ross

Mr. Michael Christensen, Columbia Falls High School, MT, English
Nominating Scholar: Colin L. Norick

Mary Anne Christy, Lakeside School, WA, History
Nominating Scholar: Rebecca J. Scurlock

Mr. Matt Convery, York High School, ME, Math
Nominating Scholar: Joshua L. Reynolds

Tari Costello, Waupun Junior/Senior High School, WI, Agriculture
Nominating Scholar: Dylon Pokorny

Mr. John Coulthard, Boise High School, ID, Economics
Nominating Scholar: Elizabeth S. Lee

Dr. Jeff Crosby, The Catlin Gabel School, OR, Science
Nominating Scholar: Nikhil Murthy

Mr. Christopher Cyr, Greater Lawrence Technical School, MA, English
Nominating Scholar: Alkenly S. Ortiz

Mrs. Regina Dietrich, South Anchorage High School, AK, English
Nominating Scholar: Adam J. Skelton

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Raffi Donoian, Wheeler School, RI, Music
Nominating Scholar: Andrew T. Lee

Natalie Doron, Colegio San Ignacio de Loyola, PR, English
Nominating Scholar: Enrique D. Latoni Morales

Dr. Rebecca Drinnon, Morristown-Hamblen High School West, TN, English
Nominating Scholar: Dhilan Ramaprasad

Mr. Kenneth Dunaj, Wilton High School, CT, Unknown
Nominating Scholar: Jackson Walker

Jeff Dykes, Sandy Creek High School, GA, Graphic Design
Nominating Scholar: Helen J. Smith

Mrs. Lauri Elam, Jacksonville High, AL, Social Studies
Nominating Scholar: Anna Pollard

Blake Eldridge, Lawrenceville School, NJ, Philosophy
Nominating Scholar: Maxwell Ramsay-Burrough

Mrs. Jennifer Ellery, Carmel High School, IN, History
Nominating Scholar: Michael C. Wang

Ms. Diana Evangelista, Ardsley High School, NY, Science
Nominating Scholar: Zachary J. Gold

Dr. Eric Ewazen, The Juilliard School, NY, Music Composition
Nominating Scholar: Benjamin Wenzelberg

Tom FitzGibbon, University High School, IN, History
Nominating Scholar: Elise H. Zaniker

Dr. Justin Fitzpatrick, University School of Nashville, TN, Math
Nominating Scholar: Barbara W. Xiong

Mr. Aaron Fogg, Burlington High School, VT, Science
Nominating Scholar: Anders Ode

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Nancy Forrester, Gordon Lee Memorial High School, GA, Vocational Agriculture Education (CTAE)
Nominating Scholar: Dalton C. Green

Ms. Luann Fox, Olathe Northwest High School, KS, Language Arts
Nominating Scholar: Bessie Bauman

Mr. Jerry Francischelli, The Dalton School, NY, Unknown
Nominating Scholar: Clayton Stephenson

Kimberly Geer, Grundy Center High School, IA, Science
Nominating Scholar: Tiana M. Saak

Vanesa Gentinetta, Metairie Park Country Day School, LA, History
Nominating Scholar: Yunsu Kim

Ms. Jennifer Gifford, New World School of the Arts, FL, Art
Nominating Scholar: Adriana De La Torre

Mr. Gary Glebas, Fort Lee High School, NJ, Unknown
Nominating Scholar: Gavin P. Lifrieri

Mr. Tom Goetz, Simley Senior High School, MN, History
Nominating Scholar: Moriah H. Elkin

Mr. Dave Gossman, Atwater High School, CA, Unknown
Nominating Scholar: Dayana Argueta

Mr. Nicholas Gould, Lexington High School, MA, Physics
Nominating Scholar: Catherine L. Wang

Mr. Jeff Graham, Waubonsie Valley High School, IL, Business
Nominating Scholar: Sophia M. Jerkatis

Mrs. Sarah Griffith, Charleston Catholic High School, WV, Math
Nominating Scholar: Kathryn L. Wantlin

Mr. Brett Guisti, The Davidson Academy of Nevada, NV, Science (Physics)
Nominating Scholar: Ian M. Oh

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Mr. Jason Habig, Hathaway Brown School, OH, History

Nominating Scholar: Regan N. Brady

Dr. Matthew Hagle, Music Institute of Chicago, IL, Music

Nominating Scholar: Andrew Guo

Ms. Michelle Hall, Booker T. Washington High School for the Performing & Visual Arts, TX, Unknown

Nominating Scholar: Todd Baker

Mr. Jake Hall, Columbia Falls High School, MT, Math

Nominating Scholar: Annabel B. Conger

Nicole Harvey, Rockwell Heath High School, TX, Unknown

Nominating Scholar: Christian Giadolor

Charlotte Heinze, Copperas Cove High School, TX, Business

Nominating Scholar: Brittney E. Colbath

Mr. Robert Hettmansperger, Peak to Peak Charter School, CO, Technology (Science)

Nominating Scholar: Mayank Mishra

Mr. William Hevel, Troy High School, MI, Chemistry

Nominating Scholar: Neil Vaishampayan

Robert Hodges, The Rock School for Dance Education, PA, History

Nominating Scholar: Juliana Missano

Mr. Carter Hollenbeck, Ramstein American High School, AE, World History

Nominating Scholar: John R. Casey

Magistra Laureen Hollifield, Grand Forks Central High School, ND, Latin

Nominating Scholar: Evan C. Welsh

Mrs. Emira Hot, Brookfield East High School, WI, English

Nominating Scholar: Colin Gray-Hoehn

Dr. Peter Hyde, The Roxbury Latin School, MA, Science

Nominating Scholar: Sivaram S. Emani

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Dr. Michael Ida, Kalani High School, HI, Math
Nominating Scholar: Emily Yang

Jennifer Jacobson, Saint Mary's Hall, TX, Math
Nominating Scholar: Gabriela Escalante

Mr. John Jauss, Parkway South High School, MO, Science
Nominating Scholar: Erin R. Neely

Christine Jenkins, Moses Brown School, RI, Math
Nominating Scholar: Sydney Jenkins

Mr. Christian Jensen, duPont Manual Magnet High School, KY, Science
Nominating Scholar: Emily J. Liu

Mrs. Alicia Jimenez, Harmon Middle School, OH, English
Nominating Scholar: Ian J. Doemling

Mr. Mark Johnston, Wayzata High School, MN, English
Nominating Scholar: William J. Drew

Mrs. Sheila Jones, Houston County High School, GA, Business and Technology
Nominating Scholar: Nivedha Soundappan

Rhoslyn Jones, Ruth Asawa School of the Arts, CA, Vocal Arts
Nominating Scholar: Samuel Siegel

Jessica Kaplan, South Portland High School, ME, English
Nominating Scholar: Ellen E. Stanton

Robert Kennedy, Centennial High School, MD, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Tingyu Li

Tracy Koh, Home-School, Unknown
Nominating Scholar: Faith Y. Koh

Curtis Kortemeier, Carson High School, NV, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Curtis Basa

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Mr. Tanner Kortman, Canyon Crest Academy, CA, Unknown

Nominating Scholar: Jayden Gillespie

Ms. Kelley Kwaitkowski, Design and Architecture Senior High, FL, Industrial Design

Nominating Scholar: Korri Lampedusa

Dr. Thomas Larson, Thomas Jefferson High School for Science & Technology, VA, Unknown

Nominating Scholar: Prathik Naidu

Mr. Andy Legoullon, Episcopal School Of Acadiana, LA, Science

Nominating Scholar: Clarke M. Patrone

Mr. Justin Lovrien, Brandon Valley High School, SD, Science

Nominating Scholar: Lexis M. Sherron

Dr. Devon Madon, Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy, IL, Unknown

Nominating Scholar: Pranav A. Upadhyayula

Dr. Devon Madon, Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy, IL, English

Nominating Scholar: Sushil B. Upadhyayula

Mr. Eddie Maggard, Tulsa Technology Health Science Center, OK, Science

Nominating Scholar: Jada Holliday

Mr. Michael Marckett, Central Campus, IA, Mathematics

Nominating Scholar: Gabriel L. Mintzer

Mr. Ken Martin, Laconia High School, NH, Engineering and Manufacturing

Nominating Scholar: Connor Craigie

Regina McAllen, Howell High School, NJ, Music

Nominating Scholar: Lianah Sta. Ana

Mr. Brian McCall, Interlochen Arts Academy, MI, Unknown

Nominating Scholar: Alexa Bleasdale-Curnutte

Dr. Serena McCalla, Jericho Senior High School, NY, Science Research

Nominating Scholar: Grace Hu

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Mrs. Catherine McKinzie, Gainesville R-V High School, MO, English
Nominating Scholar: Thomas C. Pointer

James Medved, Postlethwait Middle School, DE, Unknown
Nominating Scholar: Johnny Bui

Mrs. Yuki Melvin, Lake Braddock Secondary School, VA, Japanese
Nominating Scholar: Rachel L. Flatt

Jessica Meng, Galena Park High School, TX, Unknown
Nominating Scholar: Salvador Flores

Megan Merrill, Springport High School, MI, Agriscience
Nominating Scholar: Carly Claucherty

Mr. Andrew Merritt, State College Area High School, PA, Social Studies
Nominating Scholar: Joseph R. Feffer

Mme. Kristin Meunier, Spearfish High School, SD, French
Nominating Scholar: Jacksyn T. Bakeberg

Mr. Matthew Miller, Phillips Exeter Academy, NH, English
Nominating Scholar: Carissa Chen

Mr. Matthew Miller, Phillips Exeter Academy, NH, English
Nominating Scholar: Abigail Yu

Julie Morelos, Lynbrook High School, CA, Spanish, Free the Children Club Adviser
Nominating Scholar: Katherine S. Li

David Morris, North Allegheny Senior High, PA, AP English Language and Composition
Nominating Scholar: Julie L. Chen

Mr. Steve Mraz, The Overlake School, WA, Music
Nominating Scholar: Christopher B. Chen

Ms. Margaret Mullally, Boys' Latin School Of Maryland, MD, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Matthew H. Kleiser

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David Nebel, Lincoln Southeast High School, NE, History

Nominating Scholar: Abram L. Turner

Mr. Ryan New, Boyle County High School, KY, Social Studies

Nominating Scholar: Kenneth T. Whitsell

Mrs. Szilvia Oszko, Thomas Jefferson High School for Science & Technology, VA, German

Nominating Scholar: Violet C. Felt

Alexandra Paer, Punahou School, HI, Science

Nominating Scholar: Carter Nakamoto

Taneka Parascandolo, School Without Walls, DC, Unknown

Nominating Scholar: John L. Nugent

Mrs. Virginia Perry, Forsyth Country Day School, NC, College Counseling

Nominating Scholar: Charlotte M. Thomas

Mr. Henry Pfeffer, Mercer County Technical Schools - Health Science Academy, NJ, Physical Science

Nominating Scholar: Sanjana Duggirala

Mr. Scott Pharion, Saint Charles Preparatory High School, OH, English

Nominating Scholar: Michael J. Weaver

Dr. David Pook, The Derryfield School, NH, Unknown

Nominating Scholar: Gavin T. Shilling

Mr. Benjamin Ratliff, Millbrook High School, VA, Math

Nominating Scholar: Logan Apple

Ms. Shannon Regli, Sage Hill School, CA, Chemistry

Nominating Scholar: Mike Bao

Mrs. Brittney Rehm, North High School, ND, Foreign Language

Nominating Scholar: Martin L. Altenburg

Mr. Marc Reif, Fayetteville High School East Campus, AR, Physics

Nominating Scholar: Ryan K. Kim

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Mrs. Stephanie Reynolds, Wayne High School, NE, Math
Nominating Scholar: Marta R. Pulfer

Mrs. Elmer Rhone, Middleton High School, FL, Guidance Counselor
Nominating Scholar: Varun Singh

Emily Richardson, Naperville North High School, IL, Unknown
Nominating Scholar: Jane Boettcher

Dr. Darren Ripley, Davidson Academy of Nevada, NV, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Melissa J. Bak

Ms. Zilkia Rivera, St. John's School, PR, Unknown
Nominating Scholar: Summer L. Powers

Ms. Janet Roach, Moore High School, OK, English
Nominating Scholar: Madelyn Haden

Dr. Wendy Roberts, Sequoyah High School, GA, science
Nominating Scholar: Isabelle O. Riddle

Josh Rodrigues, Arroyo Grande High School, CA, Agriculture
Nominating Scholar: Katelyn Maclean

Miss Susan Schilling, Hoover High School, OH, French
Nominating Scholar: Isabella Pete

Mr. John Schropp, Concord High School, DE, US History
Nominating Scholar: Dhruv Mohnot

Mrs. Alison Scott, Lake Forest High School, DE, Agriscience
Nominating Scholar: Christie E. Little

Mr. Kevin Seltzer, Archmere Academy, DE, Science
Nominating Scholar: Olivia R. O'Dwyer

Ms. Katharine Sheeler, National Cathedral School, DC, Latin
Nominating Scholar: Kira L. Medish

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Mr. Harry Shifman, Fiorello H. LaGuardia HS of Music and Art and the Performing Arts/Subject Area
Nominating Scholar: Aaron Greenberg

Marcos Silva, IDEA Quest College Prep., TX, College Preparation
Nominating Scholar: Michael Mireles

Mr. Samuel Small, Bayside Academy, AL, Science, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Trent S. Kannegieter

Jason Soffe, Logan High School, UT, United States History and Government
Nominating Scholar: Raymond W. Li

Dr. Darrel Spells, The North Carolina School of Science & Mathematics, NC, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Sreeram Venkat

Renee Stafford, Hamilton High School, AZ, AP Literature
Nominating Scholar: Allison Z. Chen

Mr. Shane Steiss, Green River High School, WY, Art Education
Nominating Scholar: Anna Harris

Dr. Deirdre Sullivan, Bellarmine College Preparatory, CA, United States History
Nominating Scholar: Pravin Ravishanker

Mrs. Diane Tancredi, Metea Valley High School, IL, English
Nominating Scholar: Jungin A. Lee

Ms. Pamela Tautz, University High School, AZ, Physics
Nominating Scholar: Jules T. Wyman

Ms. Lisa Terry, Independence High School, WV, English
Nominating Scholar: Landon M. Buckland

Harry Thomas, La Jolla Country Day School, CA, English
Nominating Scholar: Posy K. Stoller

Mrs. Sally Tice, Aiken High School, SC, Guidance Counselor
Nominating Scholar: Frelicia N. Tucker

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Mr. William Topich, Pulaski Academy, AR, Social Science

Nominating Scholar: Stephanie Zhao

Mrs. Misty Turbeville, Clovis High School, NM, Science

Nominating Scholar: Rohan S. Angadi

Lacey Van Reeth, Alexander W Dreyfoos School of the Arts, FL, Art

Nominating Scholar: Kathryn Stenberg

Mr. Walter Vogel, Hathaway Brown School, OH, Global Affairs

Nominating Scholar: Debolina Ghosh

Mr. David Waddell, The High School for Performing & Visual Arts, TX, Art Department Chair

Nominating Scholar: Elle Cox

Katherine Walker, Booker T. Washington High School for the Performing & Visual Arts, TX, Dance

Nominating Scholar: Nicholas Cummings

Lauren Walker, New Glarus High School, WI, Math

Nominating Scholar: Maria Thurow

Ms. Shauna Waters, West Lauderdale High School, MS, English and Literature

Nominating Scholar: Kelly E. Bates

Mr. David Watson, Cranbrook Kingswood Upper School, MI, Unknown

Nominating Scholar: Guobibi Wang

Bonnie Webster, Spartanburg Day School, SC, Science

Nominating Scholar: Devin B. Srivastava

Mr. Patrick Whelan, St. Stephen's Episcopal School, FL, History

Nominating Scholar: Hiu Lam V. Yan

Angel White, Perquimans County High School, NC, Agriculture - FFA Advisor

Nominating Scholar: Joseph C. Richardson

Mrs. Julianna Wing, Herriman High School, UT, Business and Marketing

Nominating Scholar: Marin Murdock

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Mr. Ed Wisner, Brookline High School, MA, Science

Nominating Scholar: Amir Siraj

Dr. Michelle Wyatt, Spring Valley High School, SC, Science

Nominating Scholar: Jennings N. Chen

Mr. Chuck Yarborough, Mississippi School for Mathematics & Science, MS, History

Nominating Scholar: Braeden J. Foldenauer

Ms. Milissa Zierer, Centennial High School, CA, History

Nominating Scholar: Vaibhavi B. Shah

Mr. Joshua Zosel, South High School, ND, History

Nominating Scholar: Mona M. Abdelrahman