2022 U.S. Presidential Scholars Program’s Distinguished Teachers

**Ms. Janey Akagha**, Belle Isle Enterprise Middle School, Oklahoma, Music (Orchestra/Band)
Nominating Scholar: Aishwarya Swamidurai

**Mr. Burke Allen**, Charles M. Russell High School, Montana, AP US History
Nominating Scholar: Ashton Reed Blake

**Dr. Charla Houston Allen**, Early County Middle School, Georgia, Science
Nominating Scholar: Charlye Allen

**Ms. Tennille Allison**, Kearney High School, Nebraska, Business
Nominating Scholar: Isabella Q Cao

**Mr. Carl Andersen**, Woodbury High School, Minnesota, English
Nominating Scholar: Minkai Li

**Ms. Angela Anyzeski**, Alexander W Dreyfoos School of the Arts, Florida, Debate
Nominating Scholar: Miles Kai Wang

**Mr. Jeff Armstrong**, Fort Scott High School, Kansas, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Shekhar Kumar Gugnani

**Ms. Valerie Babbitt**, Pine Creek High School, Colorado, English
Nominating Scholar: Danny Cho

**Mr. Stephen Ballard**, Thomas Jefferson High School for Science & Technology, Virginia, Band
Nominating Scholar: Helen J. Dunn

**Mr. Jason Barry**, Jesuit High School, Oregon, Counseling
Nominating Scholar: Jenny Duan

**Dr. Michael Berglund**, Holland Hall School, Oklahoma, English / Dean of Students
Nominating Scholar: Isaac Walker

**Ms. Katie Bilkha**, Paul Laurence Dunbar High School, Kentucky, Social Studies
Nominating Scholar: McKenna Sun
Mr. Kim Bliss, Lincoln High School, Oregon, IB Diploma Workshop / Theory of Knowledge
Nominating Scholar: Kyler Ye-Cheng Wang

Ms. Bonnie Bloom, Hilliard Davidson High School, Ohio, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Alexander Joseph Torres

Romney Brock, Pillow Academy, Mississippi, English
Nominating Scholar: Dia Chawla

Justin Brown, Kealakehe High School, Hawaii, Engineering
Nominating Scholar: Kea E. Kahoilua-Clebsch

Ms. Robin Brown, Clark High School, Nevada, English
Nominating Scholar: Jang Gun Choe

Charles Brucker, Mission San Jose High School, California, Math and Computer Science
Nominating Scholar: Reva Srivastava

Dr. David Cantrell, The North Carolina School of Science & Mathematics, North Carolina, Humanities
Nominating Scholar: Dheepthi Mohanraj

Mr. Charles Carpenter, Lawton Chiles High School, Florida, Physics and Chemistry (AP and Honors)
Nominating Scholar: Sandhya Kumar

Ms. Gina Chandler, Hinsdale Township High School Central, Illinois, English
Nominating Scholar: Jui Khankari

Ms. Hermie Chaney, Punahou School, Hawaii, Social Studies
Nominating Scholar: Sascha Pakravan

Mr. Erik Christensen, Lakeside School, Washington, English Literature
Nominating Scholar: Haley Zimmerman

Mr. Tim Chustz, Catholic High School, Louisiana, World Religions
Nominating Scholar: Alexander Fraser Landreneau

Mr. Phillip Cipriani, Waubonsie Valley High School, Illinois, English
Nominating Scholar: Jaisnav Rajesh

Ms. Annette Cleary, Marquette University High School, Wisconsin, College Counselor and Advisor
Nominating Scholar: David E. Arthur
Ms. Kara Cleffi, Haverford School, Pennsylvania, Biology
Nominating Scholar: Adamya Aggarwal

Mr. Tony Coppola, Lone Peak High School, Montana, Social Studies
Nominating Scholar: John Hanson Wigglesworth Chadwell

Ms. Maridee Cornell, White Station High School, Tennessee, Physics
Nominating Scholar: Shawn X Meng

Ms. Tarin Louise Costello, Waupun Senior High School, Wisconsin, Agriculture Education
Nominating Scholar: Cameron David Pokorny

Ms. Rachael Cross, James S. Rickards High School, Florida, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Dylan Epstein-Gross

Mr. Robert Cross, Bronxville High School, New York, English
Nominating Scholar: Grace Gramins

Mr. Steven Cullison, Edina High School, Minnesota, Economics
Nominating Scholar: Dedeepya Guthikonda

Mr. Gregory Darone, The Charter School of Wilmington, Delaware, Chemistry and Envirothon
Nominating Scholar: Arjan Singh Kahlon

Mr. Christopher Dasovick, Century High School, North Dakota, Band/Jazz Band Teacher
Nominating Scholar: Chance Bowlinger

Ms. Maria Luisa De Seta, Menlo Atherton High School, California, Latin
Nominating Scholar: Katherine Spivakovsky

Ms. Jennifer Dean, Washington-Liberty High School, Virginia, Social Studies
Nominating Scholar: Maya Koenig

Gregory DeCubells, East Greenwich High School, Rhode Island, English
Nominating Scholar: Kyle Chen

Ms. Raye Anne DeSoto, Gardiner Area High School, Maine, Gifted and Talented Program
Nominating Scholar: Brett J Palmer

Ms. Karen DeTrollo, Madison High School, New Jersey, Biology
Nominating Scholar: Skylar Sargent Walters
Ms. Natalie Doron, Colegio San Ignacio de Loyola, Puerto Rico, English
Nominating Scholar: Alejandro Ricardo Cacho

Dr. Aaron Dowdall, John Burroughs School, Missouri, History
Nominating Scholar: Teresa Jiang

Ms. Gulshirin Dubash, Interlochen Arts Academy, Michigan, Movement/Acting
Nominating Scholar: Joshua C Brown

Ms. Janet Emond, Desert Mountain High School, Arizona, Criminology
Nominating Scholar: Ayva Francesca Kacir

Mr. Aaron Ethridge, Signature School, Indiana, Psychology, History
Nominating Scholar: Sneha Yelamanchili

Mr. Brian Faulk, Phillips Academy, Massachusetts, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Elizabeth Yini Zhang

Ms. Janice Faustin, West Boca Raton Community High School, Florida, Science
Nominating Scholar: Alexander James Stone

Mr. Benjamin Femmel, Krueger Middle School, Texas, English
Nominating Scholar: Tristan Matthew Lee

Mr. Robert Fox, Granite Technical Institute, Utah, Computer Science
Nominating Scholar: Alan Z. H. Mo

Mr. Nico Gallo, Phillips Exeter Academy, New Hampshire, Engineering and Design
Nominating Scholar: Vincent H. Xiao

Dr. Mark Gentry, Spartanburg High School, South Carolina, Mathematics (Calculus)
Nominating Scholar: William Maxwell Booker

Mr. Bill Gibson, Morgantown High School, West Virginia, Computer Science/Math
Nominating Scholar: Alice Z. Guo

Ms. Kathy Giles, St. Paul's School, New Hampshire, Rector
Nominating Scholar: Ke Nicole Du Hu

Ms. Rachel Glenn, Tasis School in Dorado, Puerto Rico, Science
Nominating Scholar: Liliana Maria Davila
Ms. Debra Glick, The Brearley School, New York, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Eileen K. Ye

Ms. Renee Goin, Henry Clay High School, Kentucky, Math
Nominating Scholar: Grayson N. Kemplin

Mr. Xavier H Gonzalez, Homer Hanna High School, Texas, Engineering and Computer Science
Nominating Scholar: Jorge Adrian Jasso

Mr. Jeff Graham, Waubonsie Valley High School, Illinois, Business
Nominating Scholars: Rishi Patel and Piya Shah

Stephanie G Graham, Oak Ridge High School, Texas, Biology
Nominating Scholar: Emma G Hamilton

Ms. Alison Grieco, Barrington High School, Rhode Island, History/ Social Sciences (specifically Government)
Nominating Scholar: Lucy B Dreier

Mr. Derek Griffin, L&N STEM Academy, Tennessee, United States History
Nominating Scholar: Cristine Chen

Mr. Dan Hagan, Burlington High School, Vermont, History
Nominating Scholar: Rebecca Cunningham

Mr. Eric Hankin, Design & Architecture Senior High School, Florida, Architecture and Drafting
Nominating Scholar: Caroline Luanna Berthin

Mr. Kent Hansen, Central High School, South Dakota, Social Studies
Nominating Scholar: Jordan Phillips

Mr. Jason Hardin, Creekview High School, Georgia, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Ty Anthony Hubert

Ms. Monica Hoenig, Viewpoint School, California, Filmmaking
Nominating Scholar: Madeleine Elaine Case

Ms. Jennifer Hoffman, East Chapel Hill High School, North Carolina, Latin
Nominating Scholar: Benjamin Brown Knight

Ms. Christina Howell, Logan High School, Utah, Science/Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Gary Zhan
Mr. Charles Huette, Blue Valley North High School, Kansas, Media Productions  
Nominating Scholar: Jordin Reese MacKenzie

Mr. Jermaine Jackson, Norfolk Tech Vocational Center, Virginia, Criminal Justice  
Nominating Scholar: Ayana Ashanti Askew

Mr. Robert Jekanoski, Advanced Math and Science Academy, Massachusetts, Biology  
Nominating Scholar: Aryan Kumar

Dr. Andrea Johnson, Brewbaker Technology Magnet HS, Alabama, Medical Education (Career and Technical Education)  
Nominating Scholar: Hailey Mackenzie Mullins

Ms. Rebecca Kehler, Pine View School, Florida, Biological Sciences  
Nominating Scholar: Edward Shen

Elizabeth Kenny-Stein, East Brunswick High School, New Jersey, English  
Nominating Scholar: Carson He

Mr. Joseph Khan, Anglo American School Moscow, AE, Mathematics  
Nominating Scholar: Elaine Kathryn Feller

Dr. Minhye Clara Kim, The Juilliard School, New York, Juilliard Pre-College, Cello  
Nominating Scholar: Sean Yu

Ms. Jennifer Klein, Red Mountain High School, Arizona, Biomedical Sciences  
Nominating Scholar: Lydia Marie Pastore

Ms. Melissa Klose, Palos Verdes Peninsula High School, California, Science Research  
Nominating Scholar: Vivien He

Mr. Kip Kotzan, East Lyme High School, Connecticut, Biology (AP)  
Nominating Scholar: Aditya Kabra

Ashley Kurasz, Professional Performing Arts School, New York, English  
Nominating Scholar: Anya Graciela Jiménez

Ms. Tiffany Hudson Lawrence, Petal High School, Mississippi, Mathematics  
Nominating Scholar: Ritchie Hao-Zun Yang

Mr. Christopher A. Lee, Clarksburg High School, Maryland, AP English Literature and Composition  
Nominating Scholar: Sarah Rachel Thomas
Mr. Michael Lerner, Beachwood High School, Ohio, Physics
Nominating Scholar: Evelyn K Zhang

Ms. Heather Lescaillie, Alexander W Dreyfoos School of the Arts, Florida, Dance
Nominating Scholar: Kailey Rose Worontsoff

Ms. Allison Long, Conestoga High School, Pennsylvania, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Stella Lei

Mr. Joshua Long, Hillcrest High School, Utah, Theatre
Nominating Scholar: Danju Zoe Liu

Ms. Karen Ludema, Plymouth-Canton High School, Michigan, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Claire Swadling

Ms. Vincy Lugemwa, Alabama School of Fine Arts, Alabama, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: James Shi

Ms. Diana Maggini, Episcopal School Of Acadiana, Louisiana, French
Nominating Scholar: Anil Cacodcar

Ms. Allison Malloy, Carmel High School, Indiana, English
Nominating Scholar: Kevin Wang

Mr. Gregory Mawer, James Madison Memorial High School, Wisconsin, History
Nominating Scholar: Ananya Krishna

Mr. Stewart Mayer, St. Mark’s School of Texas, Texas, STEM
Nominating Scholar: Tomek Marczewski

Allison Mayernik, Riverside High School, South Carolina, English
Nominating Scholar: Nyah Joudeh

Ms. Karen L. McCabe, McCabe Homeschool, New Mexico, English
Nominating Scholar: Isabel N McCabe

Mr. Brice McCasland, Lovejoy High School, Texas, Advanced Art Courses
Nominating Scholar: Ella Reaugh

Mr. Joe Mcwilliam, Kelso High School, Washington, CAD
Nominating Scholar: Kelso J Cosgrove
Stephanie Messinger, The Charter School of Wilmington, Delaware, Social Studies
Nominating Scholar: David Ziqi Yan

Dr. David Metzler, Albuquerque Academy, New Mexico, Mathematics
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Nominating Scholar: Siddh Bamb

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Nominating Scholar: Sreeya Pittala

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Mr. Sean O’Connor, Conard High School, Connecticut, History
Nominating Scholar: Maya Prafulla Shah Palanki

Ms. Jean Ohlson, South Burlington High School, Vermont, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Sriram Sethuraman

Russell Orlando, Interlochen Arts Academy, Michigan, Art
Nominating Scholar: Quoc Vi Bui

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Nominating Scholar: Brooke Dunefsky

Mr. TJ Sarah Peacher, BASIS Scottsdale Charter, Arizona, Math
Nominating Scholar: Katelyn Sarah Cai
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Nominating Scholar: Miye Sugino

Ms. Ruth Poland, Mount Desert Island High School, Maine, Science
Nominating Scholar: Sirohi G Kumar

Ms. Cheryl Potocki, The Charter School of Wilmington, Delaware, Math
Nominating Scholar: Claire Andreasen

Brooke Potts, Grand Prairie Fine Arts Academy, Texas, Theater, Art & Media
Nominating Scholar: Isabella Grace Gueck

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Nominating Scholar: Ashini Modi

Dr. Mark Randolph, Greenhills School, Michigan, English
Nominating Scholar: Ryan Puran Tang Wang

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Nominating Scholar: Gauri Yadav

Mr. Lance Rhinehart, North Allegheny Senior High, Pennsylvania, English
Nominating Scholar: Hannah Haewon Shin

Dr. Darren Ripley, Davidson Academy of Nevada, Nevada, Calculus
Nominating Scholar: Julianna E Schneider

Ms. Carrie Rise, Brownell Talbot School, Nebraska, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Jonathon W Cenovic

Mr. Darien Robins, West High School, Iowa, English
Nominating Scholar: Jonathan Chen

Mr. Michael Roh, University High School, West Virginia, Physics
Nominating Scholar: Luke M Watson

Mr. John Mark Russell, Bentonville High School, Arkansas, Computer Science
Nominating Scholar: Saahas Parise

Laura Russella, Middleton High School, Wisconsin, English
Nominating Scholar: Daphne Joyce Wu
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Nominating Scholar: Melinda Liu

Mr. Christopher Schoff, Portsmouth High School, New Hampshire, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Lilia R Potter-Schwartz

Mr. Gavin Schwen, Syosset High School, New York, Social Studies
Nominating Scholar: Ethan Anthony Chiu

Mr. Roger Seedorf, MOT Charter High School, Delaware, Engineering
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Nominating Scholar: Isabelle Radakovich

Ms. Susan Seuferer, Chariton High School, Iowa, Career Technical Education
Nominating Scholar: Maxwell J Aulwes

Mr. Justin Son, Marlboro High School, New Jersey, Physics
Nominating Scholar: Emily Gao

Ms. Giovanna Sorondo, Design & Architecture Senior High School, Florida, Fashion Design
Nominating Scholar: Zoe Goldemberg

Ms. Diane Sorrel, University School of Nashville, Tennessee, Latin
Nominating Scholar: Greta Li

Mr. Ian Spangenberg, Pleasant Valley Community High School, Iowa, Physics
Nominating Scholar: Kavya Kalathur

Mr. Edward Spidell, Cranston High School West, Rhode Island, Pre-Engineering and Robotics
Nominating Scholar: John T Soscia

Ms. Brittany Stanchik, Desert Vista High School, Arizona, English and Debate
Nominating Scholar: Isaac H. Kan

Barbara Starosciak, The Potter's School, Virginia, French
Nominating Scholar: Ian J Lee

Kristen Steele, James Clemens High School, Alabama, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Yewon Lee
Mr. David O Stein, Montgomery Blair High School, Maryland, Statistics
Nominating Scholar: Dhruv Bhandarkar Pai

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Nominating Scholars: Astor Y Lu and Gemma Lee Maltby

Mr. Paul Street, Laramie High School, Wyoming, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Keegan Allen Miller

Jason Swanton, Western Canada High School, Philosophy
Nominating Scholar: Alessandro Greco

Laurel Talley, Boise High School, Idaho, Orchestra
Nominating Scholar: Katharine Elizabeth Turcke

Mr. Kevin Taylor, Kadena High School, AP, AP Human Geography / World History
Nominating Scholar: Aiden Baldree Toole

Mr. Kevin Taylor, Columbia-Rock Bridge Senior High School, Missouri, Math
Nominating Scholar: Kyle Y. Chen

Ms. Amanda Teece, Bentonville High School, Arkansas, AP Biology
Nominating Scholar: Rachael Baltresa Thumma

Mr. Nicholas Tkach, The Potomac School, Virginia, Mathematics
Nominating Scholar: Benjamin Choi

Ms. Mala Tsantilas, Fiorello H. Laguardia High School of Music and Art and Performing Arts, New York, Drama/Theater
Nominating Scholar: Eason Rytter

Mr. David Volk, North High School, North Dakota, Latin
Nominating Scholar: Yaoyi Ma

Dr. Amy VonCanon, St. Mary's Academy High School, Colorado, Spanish
Nominating Scholar: Rishika Kartik

Amy Wallner-Drake, Bozeman High School, Montana, Social Studies
Nominating Scholar: Brooke Janyne Bothner
Mr. Carl Walls, Mid-America Area Vocational Technical School, Oklahoma, Business, Marketing, and Information Technology Education
Nominating Scholar: Brighton E. Snow

Ms. Marty Williams, Cornerstone Elementary School, California, Third Grade Home Room Teacher
Nominating Scholar: Andrew Chi

Dr. Alexandrina Williams-Bota, Beaufort High School, South Carolina, Chemistry
Nominating Scholar: Anna M. Brown

Ms. Natalie Woods, Thunder Ridge High School, Idaho, Math
Nominating Scholar: Logan N. Frey

Ms. Meghan Wounded-Head, Washington High School, South Dakota, English
Nominating Scholar: Davis Q. Shafer

Ms. Kimberlee Riordan Wright, Academies of Loudoun, Virginia, Integrated Science and Biology
Nominating Scholar: Uma Pillai

Ms. Carla Yonk, South Forsyth High School, Georgia, Business Management and Technology
Nominating Scholar: Ayush G. Gundawar

Ms. Julie Zundel, West Valley High School, Alaska, Chemistry and Zoology
Nominating Scholar: Bonnie Grace Marriott