News Release

Five Dobbs Ferry High School Seniors Recognized by National Merit Scholarship Program

Dobbs Ferry, N.Y. October 20, 2014—Dobbs Ferry High School seniors **Sasha Clarick, Noah Baron** and **Evan Cain** have been named Commended Students in the 2015 National Merit Scholarship Program. **Ariel Goldszmidt** has been named a Semi-finalist and is now eligible to be considered for a National Merit Finalist scholarship. In addition, 12th grader **Rohan Cherian-Ashe** scored in the top three percent of Outstanding Participants in the National Achievement Scholarship Program for African Americans. A certificate from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, which conducts the programs, was presented to each student by High School Principal John Falino and Guidance Counselor Michelle Propersi. Of the 1.4 million students that took the 2013 PSAT exam, these students ranked among the top in the nation

Evan Cain is a student government delegate, participates in the Model United Nationals Club and plays cello in the school orchestra. He is an IB Diploma Candidate and member of the National Honor Society and French Honor Society. He is interested in studying International Relations in college.

Sasha Clarick is an IB Diploma candidate and a member of the National Honor Society and the Italian Honor Society. She is co-captain of the Cross Country Track Team and runs both indoor and outdoor track. When she is not running, Clarick is a Peer Tutor helping 7th graders in math and likes to play the piano. She is currently in the High School science research program and hopes to become a math teacher.

Rohan Cherian-Ashe is co-captain of the Varsity Football team and also plays Varsity Lacrosse. He is an IB Diploma candidate, a member of the National Honor Society and participates in the science research program. Outside of school, he plays the trumpet in a jazz ensemble. He wants to study robotic engineering in college.

Noah Baron is an IB Diploma candidate and member of the National Honor Society and Spanish Honor Society. Additionally, Baron participates in the science research program. He is captain of the Varsity Tennis Team and is also the co-Secretary General of the Model United Nations Club. In his spare time he plays piano. He wants to major in economics and political science in college.

Ariel Goldszmidt is an officer of the Green Club and the Debate Club. He is an IB Diploma candidate and member of the National Honor Society and Spanish Honor Society. He is co-Secretary General of the Model United Nations Club and also participates in the Volleyball Club. He plays the clarinet outside of school. Next year in college, he hopes to major in Physics with a minor in Literature.

"The Dobbs Ferry community is very proud to recognize these five seniors in this year's National Merit Scholarship Program. This designation honors outstanding academic achievement and I would like to congratulate these exceptional young people on their wonderful accomplishment," said Principal Falino.

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