

## **2009 Recipients of the Presidential Scholars Program's Teacher Recognition Award**

Mr. Christopher Adrian, Hackett Catholic Central High School, Kalamazoo, MI, History  
Nominating Scholar: Thomas Ankenbauer

Ms. Claudia Alldredge, Alpharetta High School, Roswell, GA, Spanish  
Nominating Scholar: Marissa Pan

Mrs. Ellen Anderson, Classical High School, Providence, RI, English  
Nominating Scholar: Leia Dwyer

Dr. Titu Andreescu, University of Texas - Dallas, Allen, TX, Mathematics  
Nominating Scholar: Sameer Deshpande

Ms. Michelle Bagley, Centennial High School, Ellicott City, MD, Mentored Research  
Nominating Scholar: Peter Kamel

Mr. Jason Baker, Mechanicsburg Area Senior High School, Carlisle, PA, Mathematics  
Nominating Scholar: Lee Kennedy-Shaffer

Mr. Peter Banker, Weston High School, Harvard, MA, English  
Nominating Scholar: Alexander Bruce

Mr. Zedric Bembry, Miami Carol City Senior High School, Miramar, FL, Dance  
Nominating Scholar: Ernest Baker

Mr. James Benigna, The Roeper School, Royal Oak, MI, Chemistry  
Nominating Scholar: Aparna Ananthasubramaniam

Ms. Gayle Berard, Fontainebleau High School, Covington, LA, English  
Nominating Scholar: Holden Brown

Mr. Jeffrey Berger-White, Deerfield High School, Deerfield, IL, English  
Nominating Scholar: Jeffrey Lerman

Ms. Margaret Bouck, Cherry Valley-Springfield Central Junior-Senior High School,  
Sharon Springs, NY, English  
Nominating Scholar: Maggie Millner

Mr. John Brady, Ensworth High School, Nashville, TN, Mathematics  
Nominating Scholar: Vladimir Kenji Alexander

Ms. Kristi Bridges, Camas Senior High School, Washougal, WA, Government  
Nominating Scholar: Stephanie Nicholson

Mr. Jie Bu, Las Vegas, NV, Music - Piano Performance  
Nominating Scholar: Carmen Lai

Mr. Raymond Buchheister, Fairfield, PA, Independent Artist/Mentor  
Nominating Scholar: Peter Ferguson

Ms. Ruth Burson, Notre Dame High School, San Jose, CA, Social Studies  
Nominating Scholar: Sejal Hathi

Mr. Rob Burt, Elsie Allen High School, Windsor, CA, Drama  
Nominating Scholar: Jesse Nee-Vogelman

Ms. Clarissa Bushman, Stuyvesant High School, New York, NY, Economics  
Nominating Scholar: Allen Granzberg

Mr. Matt Carey, Glenbard North High School, Carol Stream, IL, History  
Nominating Scholar: Benjamin Crosby

Mr. Jacob Charlebois, Spanish Springs High School, Reno, NV, English  
Nominating Scholar: David Wagner

Mrs. Ginger Cherry, Jesse O. Sanderson High School, Garner, NC, English  
Nominating Scholar: Patrick Short

Mr. Jeffery Cumpston, Harare, Zimbabwe, Music  
Nominating Scholar: Kathryn Davis

Dr. Nelson Daniel, Oklahoma School of Science & Mathematics, Edmond, OK,  
Chemistry  
Nominating Scholar: Amy Tai

Mr. Samuel Davidson, Albuquerque High School, Albuquerque, NM, Counselor  
Nominating Scholar: Elise Gurney

Mrs. Margaret DeBlois, St. Dominic Regional High School, Auburn, ME, English  
Nominating Scholar: Michael Girouard

Mrs. Terri Dees, Spartanburg High School, Spartanburg, SC, Biology  
Nominating Scholar: Andrew Henderson

Mr. John Deliman, Upper Arlington High School, Dublin, OH, Music  
Nominating Scholar: Nathaniel West

Ms. Karyn Dempsey, Corona del Sol High School, Tempe, AZ, Humanities  
Nominating Scholar: Vishal Maini

Ms. Marian DeWane, Centennial High School, Boise, ID, Science/AP Chemistry  
Nominating Scholar: Avalon Owens

Dr. Paul Donovan, Sanford School, Hockessin, DE, German  
Nominating Scholar: Christopher Copeland

Mr. Douglas Dosky, Thomas Worthington High School, Worthington, OH, Mathematics  
Nominating Scholar: Henry Liu

Mrs. Katie Elsener, Pius X High School, Lincoln, NE, English  
Nominating Scholar: Benjamin Kotopka

Mrs. Rosalyn Ericson, Moorestown High School, Eastampton, NJ, Biology  
Nominating Scholar: Jasmine Zhuang

Ms. Kimberly Este, Mississippi School of the Arts, Summit, MS, English  
Nominating Scholar: Annie Wentzell

Mr. Jim Fahy, Dickinson High School, Dickinson, ND, Social Studies  
Nominating Scholar: Shelby Dvorak

Mr. Christopher Fatheree, Pearland High School, Pearland, TX, English  
Nominating Scholar: Omosola Odetunde

Mr. Kevin Fielden, Dobyons-Bennett High School, Kingsport, TN, Social Studies  
Nominating Scholar: Alice Xiang

Mrs. Anna Freundt, Jackson Preparatory School, Jackson, MS, English  
Nominating Scholar: Jared Moffat

Ms. Patricia Gardner, Albuquerque High School, Albuquerque, NM, English  
Nominating Scholar: Andrew Chael

Mr. Chris Girard, Simon Kenton High School, Independence, KY, Mathematics  
Nominating Scholar: Jacob Bailey

Ms. Kylene Gott, Crystal Lake Central High School, Crystal Lake, IL, Guidance  
Nominating Scholar: Tyler White

Mrs. Jo Green, Westlake High School, Austin, TX, Latin  
Nominating Scholar: Abhinav Golla

Mrs. Beenu Gupta, Charter School of Wilmington, Hockessin, DE, Biology  
Nominating Scholar: Rebecca Roelofs

Mr. Stephen Guziewski, James Madison Memorial High School, Madison, WI, Physics

Nominating Scholar: Suvai Gunasekaran

Mr. Michael Hagstrom, Shanley High School, Fargo, ND, Charity and Justice  
Nominating Scholar: John Kenney

Mr. William Hanewald, Tongue River High School, Sheridan, WY, Chemistry  
Nominating Scholar: Christopher Maze

Mrs. Cynthia Hardesty, York High School, Yorktown, VA, Physics  
Nominating Scholar: Kevin Luo

Mrs. Lorraine Heinrichs, Bonn International School, Bad Honnef, Germany, Mathematics  
Nominating Scholar: Zachary Osborn

Mr. David Henner, St. John's School, San Juan, PR, Physics  
Nominating Scholar: Ridge Olivieri

Ms. Mercedes Higuera, St. John's School, San Juan, PR, Spanish  
Nominating Scholar: Mariana Ramirez

Mr. Josh Hilberman, Jamaica Plain, MA, Tap Dance  
Nominating Scholar: Daniel Mitra

Ms. Sandra Hindsman, St. Andrew's Episcopal School, Ridgeland, MS, Biology  
Nominating Scholar: Grace Serio

Mr. John Hirsch, Middlesex School, Concord, MA, English  
Nominating Scholar: Bailey Hoar

Mrs. Susan Hodgkin, Moscow High School, Moscow, ID, English  
Nominating Scholar: Linyi Gao

Miss Celeste Hutton, Wichita High School East, Wichita, KS, English  
Nominating Scholar: Tiffany Hwang

Mrs. Yelena Ivanov, Bridgewater, NJ, Piano  
Nominating Scholar: Allen Yueh

Mr. Rob Jensen, Hellgate High School, Missoula, MT, Science  
Nominating Scholar: Emily Howell

Mrs. Terrie Joplin, Grimsley High School, Greensboro, NC, English  
Nominating Scholar: Elizabeth Rodenbough

Mrs. Aimee Joyaux, Appomattox Governors School for Arts & Technology, Petersburg, VA, Photography

Nominating Scholar: Meagan Jenigen

Mrs. Gaye Klopach, Jones College Preparatory, Chicago, IL, Vocal Music

Nominating Scholar: Julian Cook

Mrs. Lilia Kol, Odle Middle School, Bellevue, WA, Mathematics

Nominating Scholar: Brian Reiser

Ms. Julia Kolander, Millard North High School, Omaha, NE, Latin

Nominating Scholar: Anne Wang

Mrs. Francine Kontos, Dover High School, Dover, NH, Art

Nominating Scholar: Lucas San Juan

Mr. Randy Kuchynka, Eisenhower Senior High School, Lawton, OK, World History

Nominating Scholar: Anish Tilak

Mr. Michael Lazere, Ames High School, Ames, IA, Science

Nominating Scholar: Sandy Huang

Ms. Laurie LePore, Riverdale High School, Portland, OR, Biology, Genetics

Nominating Scholar: Ilana Walder-Biesanz

Ms. Evie Lewis, Jackson Hole High School, Jackson, WY, English

Nominating Scholar: Garnet Henderson

Mr. Nick Lewis, Western Reserve Academy, Hudson, OH, English

Nominating Scholar: Anne Song

Mr. Mark Littlefield, Newburyport High School, Newburyport, MA, Mathematics

Nominating Scholar: Irene Jacqz

Mr. Jason Lovera, Parkway Central High School, Valley Park, MO, English

Nominating Scholar: William Sun

Mrs. Amy Maddox, Vestavia Hills High School, Gardendale, AL, History

Nominating Scholar: Lauren Faraino

Mr. Andrew Mahar, Myers Park High School, Charlotte, NC, Spanish

Nominating Scholar: Bo-Tsuong Xiang

Mr. Frederick Martell, Hunter College, New York, NY, Classical Voice

Nominating Scholar: Joshua Arky

Mr. James McCarter, Central Middle School, Burlington, IN, Science

Nominating Scholar: Kevin Chaung

Mrs. Lisa McCulley, Spartanburg High School, Spartanburg, SC, Publications  
Nominating Scholar: Bonnie Antosh

Mr. Daniel McKeen, Solon High School, Hinckley, OH, AP Computer Science  
Nominating Scholar: Xin Qian

Mrs. Beth Messere, Methacton High School, Norristown, PA, Calculus  
Nominating Scholar: Janet Song

Ms. Rebecca Meyer-Larson, Moorhead Senior High School, Moorhead, MN, Honors  
English 10  
Nominating Scholar: Rachel Clausen

Mrs. Barbara Milburn, Mayo High School, Rochester, MN, English  
Nominating Scholar: Annemarie Ryu

Dr. David Montee, Interlochen Arts Academy, Traverse City, MI, Theatre  
Nominating Scholar: Steven Johnson

Mrs. Elizabeth Moore, Naperville North High School, Naperville, IL, Mathematics  
Nominating Scholar: Jeanette Wat

Mr. Tom Moore, Conard High School, West Hartford, CT, Modern European History  
Nominating Scholar: Emmett Gilles

Ms. Kane More, West Boca Raton Community High School, Boca Raton, FL, AP  
Biology  
Nominating Scholar: Fedja Kadribasic

Mrs. Janie Mueller, Cheyenne Mountain High School, Colorado Springs, CO, Chemistry  
Nominating Scholar: Hunter Sceats

Ms. Cathy Murphy, George Walton High School, Woodstock, GA, English Literature and  
Composition  
Nominating Scholar: Ge Zhang

Mrs. Kristen Murphy, Cumberland High School, Cumberland, RI, American Literature  
Nominating Scholar: Matthew Baglini

Mr. John Naisbitt, Hinsdale Township High School Central, Hinsdale, IL, Social  
Studies/AP European History  
Nominating Scholar: Lauren Zumbach

Mrs. Suzanne Nelson, Stevens Senior High School, Rapid City, SD, U.S. Government  
Nominating Scholar: Anne Pfeifle

Mr. Andrew Nielson, Logan High School, Logan, UT, Physics  
Nominating Scholar: Konlin Shen

Mr. Gary Nyhus, Newman High School, Clear Lake, IA, Mathematics  
Nominating Scholar: Stephen Henrich

Mrs. Jane O'Connor, Monarch High School, Louisville, CO, Language Arts  
Nominating Scholar: Evanne Montoya

Mrs. Cynthia Ogden, High School for Performing & Visual Arts, Houston, TX, Theater  
Nominating Scholar: Devyn Tyler

Mr. Bryan Ott, St. Joseph Academy, Saint Augustine, FL, Theology  
Nominating Scholar: Andrew Carmedelle

Mrs. Debora Palmer, Trinity High School, Morgantown, WV, Studio Art  
Nominating Scholar: Emily Ngan

Mr. Bill Parker, Wasilla High School, Wasilla, AK, Biology  
Nominating Scholar: Leif Johnson

Dr. Ivor Parsons, Syosset High School, East Norwich, NY, U.S. History  
Nominating Scholar: Mary Awadallah

Mr. Peter Perry, Richard Montgomery High School, Rockville, MD, Music  
Nominating Scholar: Nathan Prillaman

Mr. Larry Peterson, Northridge High School, Layton, UT, AP Mathematics  
Nominating Scholar: Camille Wasden

Mr. Alan Phillips, Vandebilt Catholic High School, Houma, LA, American History  
Nominating Scholar: Charles Gyer

Mr. Jason Piluk, Centennial High School, Ellicott City, MD, Biology  
Nominating Scholar: Ping Yeh

Mr. Wright Porter, Jonesboro High School, Jonesboro, AR, History  
Nominating Scholar: John McDaniel

Mrs. Doris Pridonoff Lehnert, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, Professor of Piano  
Nominating Scholar: Leann Osterkamp

Mrs. RoseMary Pringle, Design & Architecture Senior High School, Miami, FL, Fashion  
Nominating Scholar: Priscilla Aleman

Mr. David Quinn, Edmonds-Woodway High School, Edmonds, WA, English  
Nominating Scholar: Sally Chu

Mr. Wallace Ragan, St. Alban's School, Washington, DC, Classics  
Nominating Scholar: Edmund Downie

Mrs. Cheryle Redelings, Francis W. Parker School, San Diego, CA, History  
Nominating Scholar: Kristina Bohl

Dr. Jonathan Rice, Green Mountain Union High School, Chester, VT, Science  
Nominating Scholar: Joseph Dexter

Mrs. Cindy Rodgers, Virgil I. Grissom High School, Huntsville, AL, Mathematics  
Nominating Scholar: Nikhil Goel

Mr. Michael Roh, University High School, Morgantown, WV, Math and Physics  
Nominating Scholar: Brian Chen

Mr. Dan Ruff, Woodford County High School, Lexington, KY, English  
Nominating Scholar: Adam Horn

Ms. Beth Russell, Crescent Valley High School, Corvallis, OR, English  
Nominating Scholar: Tony Wu

Ms. Ellen Sassenberg, Mayo High School, Rochester, MN, Latin  
Nominating Scholar: Andrew Peters

Mr. Mark Savage, Brewer High School, Brewer, ME, Outdoor Education  
Nominating Scholar: Erin Mills

Mrs. Dawn Schmidt, Desert Vista High School, Chandler, AZ, Social Studies  
Nominating Scholar: Booyeon Han

Mrs. Mary Schmitz, Roosevelt High School, Sioux Falls, SD, History  
Nominating Scholar: Aaron Mead

Ms. Laura Segedin, Roosevelt Intermediate School, Rahway, NJ, Industrial Arts  
Nominating Scholar: Mark Vander Schaaf

Ms. Diane Sheppard, Indian Springs School, Indian Springs, AL, AP English  
Nominating Scholar: Yookyeong Sim

Mr. Leonard Sievers, Castle High School, Newburg, IN, Math/Geometry  
Nominating Scholar: Amanda Williams

Mr. Anthony Silk, Harker School, San Jose, CA, Math



Nominating Scholar: Daniel Kim

Ms. Kathleen Smith, St. Mary's High School, Manhasset, NY, Biology

Nominating Scholar: Grace Chao

Mr. Randall Smith, Joel Barlow High School, West Redding, CT, History

Nominating Scholar: Alyssa Bilinski

Ms. Sally Squibb, Lewisville High School, Lewisville, TX, Debate

Nominating Scholar: Emily White

Ms. Annice Steadman, Central High School, Little Rock, AR, Biology

Nominating Scholar: Helena Liu

Mr. Steve Steinbach, Sidwell Friends School, Washington, DC, History

Nominating Scholar: Clare Sestanovich

Mr. Matthew Stergios, Loyola Sacred Heart High School, Missoula, MT, History

Nominating Scholar: Kyle Doyle

Ms. Amanda Streich, Home School, Platteville, WI, Spanish and General Studies

Nominating Scholar: Philip Streich

Ms. Judith Tanzman, Marlborough School, Pasadena, CA, Fine Arts

Nominating Scholar: Julia Kellman

Dr. Robert Tostevin, The Pembroke Hill School, Kansas City, MO, Social Studies

Nominating Scholar: Jackson Wyche

Mrs. Gail Tuthill, Iolani School, Honolulu, HI, Chemistry

Nominating Scholar: Robert Tamai

Dr. Joe Vaccaro, St. Martin's Episcopal School, Metairie, LA, Sciences

Nominating Scholar: Jane Ball

Mr. Edward Vaitones, Pinkerton Academy, Derry, NH, German

Nominating Scholar: Carolyn Douglas

Mrs. Almita Vamos, Evanston, IL, Violin Performance

Nominating Scholar: Andrea Jarrett

Dr. Irina Voro, University of Kentucky, School of Music, Lexington, KY, Piano

Nominating Scholar: Connie Wu

Dr. Deanna Wasman, David H. Hickman High School, Columbia, MO, Mathematics

Nominating Scholar: Jessica Hwang

Mr. William Waters, The Bryn Mawr School, Baltimore, MD, English  
Nominating Scholar: Celia Bell

Mrs. Sandra Webb, Mililani High School, Waipahu, HI, Biology  
Nominating Scholar: Lucia Mocz

Mr. Sherwood Williams, Thomas Jefferson High School for Science & Technology,  
Arlington, VA, AP English Language & Composition  
Nominating Scholar: Lily Hsiang

Mrs. Jayne Wingate, Cheyenne Central High School, Cheyenne, WY, AP Calculus BC  
Nominating Scholar: Ryan Ragaglia

Mr. Bernie Yanelli, St. Stephen's Episcopal School, Bradenton, FL, Social Studies  
Nominating Scholar: Elan Nguyen

Mr. Andrew Zartmann, West Anchorage High School, Anchorage, AK, Mathematics  
Nominating Scholar: Elizabeth Phillips