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**MAST Academy Students Earning AP Scholar Distinction
Reaches Record High**

Fifty MAST Academy students have been named **2004 Advanced Placement (AP) Scholars** by the College Board in recognition of their exceptional achievement on the college-level Advanced Placement Program Exams. Only seventeen percent of the more than one million high school students in 15,000 secondary schools worldwide who took AP exams performed at a sufficiently high level to merit the recognition of **AP Scholar**.

Among the group of MAST students, two qualified for the **National AP Scholar Award** by earning an average of 4.58 on a 5-point scale on all exams taken, and grades of 4 or higher on eight or more of these exams. These students are **Dayan Paez** and **Monica Simo**.

Twenty-two students were named **AP Scholars with Distinction** for earning an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams. These students are **Nicole Brenner, Alejandro Cervera, Alexander Correa, Sara Danker, Sebastian Duncan, Sabrina Garcia, Adlai Grayson, Shahbano Imran, Janina Insua, Melissa Jacobs, Nicole Joy, Michelle Lotker, Alexandra Marraccini, Yoann Millet, Laura Northrop, Vanessa Palacio, Erin Price, Rurik Primiani, Blake Rego, Zachary Sherman, Kaya Suarez, and Wilson Velasco**.

Nine students qualified for the **AP Scholar with Honor Award** by earning an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams: **Patton Allison, David Amor, Winston Lynk, David Miskis, Daniel Perez, Rachel Peterson, Christopher Rokicki, Clayton Stroleny, and Shahab Virani**.

Seventeen MAST students qualified for the **AP Scholar Award** by completing three or more AP exams, with grades of 3 or higher. The AP Scholars are: **Elizabeth Arellano, Amaury Betancourt, Amanda Bogart, Thompson Davis, Vanessa Delgado, Ted Fernandez, John Kelley, Raiza Lisboa, David Moore, Paul Moore, Christina Morales, Ingrid Perez-Alvarez, Jordan Preve, Katherine Rodriguez, Otoniel Tabares, Brian Tovar, and Rickelle Williams**.

Mr. Labonte will be available to meet with representatives from the press during his visit to MAST on Wednesday afternoon. Please call Dr. Margaret Haun or Robert Lassetter, CPO (H), USCG (ret.) at 305-365-6278 for more information.

MAST Academy is home to the only Coast Guard JROTC program in the nation (by an Act of Congress). The school is located at 3979 Rickenbacker Causeway, Miami, FL.

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