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MAST Academy Students Soar

MAST Academy has a record number of 2005 Advanced Placement Scholars, Scholars with Honors, Scholars with Distinction, and National Scholars. Most of the nation's colleges and universities award credit, acceleration, or both based on successful performance on the AP exams.

In total. <u>forty-one students</u> have earned the distinction of being named **Advanced Placement Scholars**. <u>Ten students</u> are *AP Scholars with Honors*; <u>eighteen students</u> are *AP Scholars with Distinction*. <u>Four</u> earned *National Scholar* status.

AP Scholars (students who received grades of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams):

David Amor

Alonso Antunez de Mayolo

Elizabeth Arellano

Jessica Barreto

Caroline Black

Astrid Bradley

Bianca Cagigal

Laura Calvo

Andre Castillo

Yahaira Cervantes

Christopher Chow

Meredith Chow

Aysha Daniels

Kimberly Farber

Lorena Fiori

Jeremy Fowers

Gabriela Garcia

Adam Garfield

Jason Golzbein

Fiona Green

Teresa Hornstein

Chandra Jennings

Raiza Lisboa

Jason Lunn

Arielle Maffei

Charolette McGraw

Anne Mitchell

Christina Morales

Alisa Petrova

Samuel Quintero

Sandhya Ramsook

Katherine Rodriguez

Guillermo Salinas

Daniel Sanchez

Stephanie Schneider

Jigna Shaw

Allison Shaw

Nicholas Smith

Andrew Strozier

Kevin Tan

Cathryn Westra

<u>AP Scholars with Honors</u> (students who earned an average score of 3.25 on all AP exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams):

Janina Insua

Daniela Iribarne

Matthew Kuhl

Mauricio Lanio

Douglas Otstott

Rosa Saavedra

Otoniel Tabares

Amanda Triana

Benjamin Velez

Allison Walsh

<u>AP Scholars with Distinction</u> (students who received an average grade of 3.5 on all AP exams taken and, and grades of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams):

Patton Allison

Amanda Bogart

Sara Danker

Ted Fernandez

John Kelley

Winston Lynk

Alexandra Marraccini

Yoann Millet

Andrew Moore
David Moore
Paul Moore
Katherine Nolan
Vanessa Palacio
Daniel Perez
Miguel Perez
Jordan Preve
Alexander Robel
Wilson Velasco

AP National Scholars (students in the United States who received an average grade of at least 4 on all AP exams taken, and grades of 4 or higher on eight or more of these exams):

Patton Allison John Kelley Alexandra Marraccini Yoann Millet

- 2005-2006 National Merit Semifinalists are Kimberly Farber, Daniela Iribarne, Maurico Lanio, Charlotte McGraw, Alexander Robel, Allison Shaw, and Freddy Vazquez.
 - Nkemjika Okany is a *National Achievement Finalist* for 2005.
- Nine MAST Academy students received the 2005-2006 Commended designation from the National Merit Scholarship Program. They are Dale Adamson, Jessica Barreto, Christopher Chow, Meredith Chow, Jeremy Fowers, Katharine Nolan, Sandhya Ramsook, Kevin tan, and Benjamin Velez.
- Natasha Ramos has been referred to colleges by the *National Achievement Scholarship Program*.
- The MAST Academy yearbook, newspaper, and literary magazine have been awarded a 2005 Silver Medal by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. The annual critiques of all three school publications were extremely high. MAST Academy students and publication sponsors attend the Columbia Scholastic Press Association Conference in New York each year. The yearbook sponsor is Lynn Paisley; newspaper sponsor is Karen Sutton; literary magazine sponsor is Lavetta Ulman.
- MAST Academy senior **Jessica Barreto** recently completed the 2005 University of Florida Student Science Training Program (UF-SSTP), a 7-week summer residential program for academically talented high school students. The program focuses on science, mathematics, computers and engineering. Students work with

UF faculty members on graduate-level research. Jessica worked with UF scientist Dr. Randolph Duran on a project titled **The Panoramic Camera Calibration Targets: Improving Low-Dust Adhesion.** At the program's award ceremony, Jessica was recognized for Best Research Paper, Poster, and Top 20 Oral Presentation. She also received a *Certificate of Distinction* from the UF summer science program.