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Two Madeira Seniors Continue in Competition

Both Madeira High School (MHS) students who were named National Merit Semifinalists in the fall of 2022 have advanced to be named National Merit Finalists; Bea Manning and Milo Nelson.

The National Merit® Scholarship Program is an academic competition for scholarships that began in 1955. In September 2022, approximately 16,000 students were notified that they had qualified as National Merit Semifinalists in the 68th annual competition. That gave them an opportunity to continue to compete for 7,500 National Merit Scholarships worth nearly \$30 million. Approximately 15,000 Semifinalists have now been notified that they had advanced to Finalist standing.

All winners of Merit Scholarship awards are chosen from the Finalist group based on their abilities, skills, and accomplishments—without regard to gender, race, ethnic origin, or religious preference. A variety of information is available to be evaluated: the Finalist's academic record, information about the school's curriculum and grading system, PSAT/NMSQT Selection Index score, the high school official's written recommendation, information about the student's activities and leadership, and the Finalist's own essay.

Finalists that have been selected to receive a Merit Scholarship® award will be notified by mid-June. Milo and Bea are members of the MHS Class of 2023.



Pictured (l to r) are Madeira's 2023 National Merit Finalists Milo Nelson and Bea Manning.