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### OLENTANGY SCHOOLS ANNOUNCED 28 NATIONAL MERIT SEMIFINALISTS

Olentangy Schools is proud of the 28 talented students who have received the distinguished honor of National Merit Semifinalist.

The National Merit Scholarship Corporation announced the 2021 Semifinalists in the 66th annual National Merit Scholarship Program. Students were selected from over 1.5 million juniors across 21,000 high schools by taking the 2019 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT). These academically talented Semifinalists represent less than one percent of high school seniors across the country.

Below are the names of the 28 Olentangy Schools National Merit Semifinalists, in alphabetical order by last name:

Reem O. Ahmed (Liberty HS)	Sydney Q. Rohl (Liberty HS)
Alexander K. Chen (Liberty HS)	Sreya Sakhamuru (Liberty HS)
Samuel Z. Deng (Liberty HS)	Isha Sawhney (Olentangy HS)
Eamon T. Hurley (Orange HS)	Sindhu R. Sharma (Liberty HS)
Kamakshi Aashna Iragamreddy (Olentangy HS)	Colin J. Somerville (Olentangy HS)
Ryann A. Joseph (Liberty HS)	Katherine G. Sullenberger (Liberty HS)
Pranav Krishnan (Orange HS)	Abigail Swamidoss (Olentangy HS)
David Kuhtenia (Berlin HS)	Sona E. Thompson (Liberty HS)
Madison Lapid (Berlin HS)	Bennett Toftner (Berlin HS)
Sarthak Mohanty (Liberty HS)	Dorian Tricaud (Liberty HS)
Aakash V. Nallari (Olentangy HS)	Kaili Tu (Orange HS)
Yash D. Patel (Orange HS)	Sydney Webb (Berlin HS)
Carter A. Pedela (Orange HS)	Curtis J. Zhi (Liberty HS)
Yusuf Rasheed (Berlin HS)	Cathy X. Zhu (Liberty HS)

“We would like to congratulate these students and their families on this significant accomplishment,” shares Olentangy Schools Superintendent Mark Raiff. “This designation is a powerful indicator of the talent of these students combined with the impact our teachers are making in preparing students for college and beyond.”

Semifinalists have the opportunity to continue in the competition to become National Merit Finalists, and become eligible for over \$30 million in scholarships to be offered this spring.

Olentangy Schools is the sixth largest school district in the state of Ohio with 26 schools, located predominately in Delaware County. Olentangy’s mission is to facilitate maximum learning for every student.



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Olentangy Schools also wants to recognize the 18 students that received Letters of Commendation, in recognition of their scores and academic achievements.

Jackson Wendel Dunlop (Berlin HS)  
Alexander M. Felderean (Orange HS)  
Kaylyn H. Jiang (Liberty HS)  
Geoffrey N. Kaminski (Orange HS)  
Aditi Kumari (Olentangy HS)  
Alexander R. Lima (Orange HS)  
Hanson Y. Ma (Liberty HS)  
Snigdha Mendrabapu (Orange HS)  
Arvind S. Nair (Liberty HS)  
Elizabeth L. Okonak (Liberty HS)

Divya S. Patel (Liberty HS)  
Sraavya S. Potluri (Liberty HS)  
Adam J. Rahl (Liberty HS)  
Smaran R. Ramidi (Liberty HS)  
Kyle S. Schwieger (Liberty HS)  
Isabel G. Shank (Liberty HS)  
Aryan D. Shetty (Olentangy HS)  
Grace Y. Wang (Orange HS)  
Catherine J. Wu (Orange HS)

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