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Four New Nationally Commended Students at MHS

Four members of the Madeira High School (MHS) Class of 2025 have been named National Merit Commended Students in the annual National Merit Scholarship Program.

Nathan Gemmel, Nina Gravlee, Nora Katz, and Sasha Pinyayev are among approximately 34,000 Commended Students nationwide who are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the 2025 competition for National Merit Scholarship awards, Commended Students placed among the top 50,000 scorers of students who entered the competition by taking the 2023 Preliminary SAT (PSAT).

The National Merit® Scholarship Program (NMSC), is an academic competition that began in 1955. High school students enter by taking the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test which serves as an initial screen of approximately 1.6 million entrants each year. The minimum score to be considered for National Merit honors for the class of 2025 is 208. This is the highest cutoff in 4 years.



MHS Class of 2025 National Merit Scholarship Commended Students (pictured left to right): Nathan Gemmel, Sasha Pinyayev, Nora Katz, and Nina Gravlee.