STOW-MUNROE FALLS
CITY SCHOOLS

PRESS RELEASE

Contact:
Sarah Hegnauer, Public Relations Supervisor
st_shegnauer@smfcsd.org 330-689-5439

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
September 17, 2026

SMFHS SENIOR NAMED NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP SEMIFINALIST



Stow-Munroe Falls City Schools is proud to announce that Andrew Faluhelyi, a senior at Stow-Munroe Falls High School, has been named a Semifinalist in the 2027 National Merit Scholarship Program.

Andrew is among more than 16,000 academically talented high school seniors nationwide selected for the honor. Semifinalists represent less than 1% of U.S. high school seniors and were identified through the 2025 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

More than 1.2 million juniors from approximately 20,000 high schools entered the 2027 National Merit Scholarship Program. Semifinalists now have the opportunity to advance to Finalist standing by meeting additional academic and program requirements. More than 15,000 Semifinalists are expected to advance to the Finalist level.

“We are very proud of Andrew for earning this distinction,” said Superintendent Dr. Felisha Gould. “Being named a National Merit Semifinalist is an outstanding accomplishment and speaks to his dedication, academic achievement, and years of hard work.”

Finalists will have the opportunity to compete for approximately 6,700 National Merit Scholarships worth nearly $24 million that will be offered in spring 2027. Scholarship recipients will be selected based on their accomplishments, skills, and potential for success in rigorous college studies.

National Merit Scholarship winners will be announced beginning in April 2027, with announcements continuing through July.

###