

Stamford Public Schools Student and Staff Achievements October 2009

Twenty-five students in **Stamford Public Schools** have been recognized with top honors from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation and the College Board. This honorary list includes National Merit Semifinalists, Commended Students, National Achievement Scholars, and National Hispanic Scholars. Some of these designations will lead to scholarships for students, in addition to the honor of being recognized by the College Board.

National Merit Semifinalists are among the less than one percent of U.S. high school seniors who were top scorers on the 2008 PSAT/MMSQT. They include **Vivian Dai, Siyi Fu, Ragini Phansalkar, and Andrew Trinh from Stamford High School** and **Adam Siegel, Joseph Howlett, and Marissa Friedman from Westhill High School.**

Commended students scored in the top five percent of students who took the PSAT in 2008. They include **Alex Cope from the Academy of Information Technology & Engineering, Michelle Goldstein, Stephanie Hom, Levi Squier, and Danil Tyulmankov from Stamford High School** and **John Andrianos, Jessica Letizia, Alexandra Lewis, Zachary Matarasso, Andrew McNichols, Ronak Mehta, Karen Roones, and Sara Zimmerman from Westhill High School.**

The National Achievement Scholar designation is given to approximately 1,600 academically promising black students across the country. This honor was earned by **Horace Harriott and Latrese Underwood from Westhill High School.**

The National Hispanic Recognition Program identifies outstanding Hispanic/Latino students. This year, National Hispanic Recognition scholars include **Alexander Beltran from Stamford High School** and **Marielle Martiney and Zach Matarasso from Westhill.**