

Two Gators Named Semifinalists for 2024 National Merit Scholarship Program

(November 7, 2023) GEORGETOWN, TX — Gateway College Preparatory School is excited to announce that Ian Craig and Rohan Kharel have been named semifinalists for a National Merit Scholarship award. Both seniors have the opportunity to continue in the competition for some 7,140 National Merit Scholarships worth nearly \$28 million that will be offered next spring.



Ian Craig plans to attend MIT and major in Mathematics while Rohan is eyeing medical school and would like to attend Texas A&M University to major in Biology or Chemistry.



More than 1.3 million high school juniors entered the 2024 National Merit Scholarship Program by taking the 2022 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. The nationwide pool of semifinalists represents less than one percent of U.S. high school seniors.

National Merit Scholarship winners will be announced in the spring and those scholarship recipients will have earned the Merit Scholar title. Last year, Gateway's Matthew Bidwell earned the first Merit Scholar title in school history.

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