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Saint Joseph Academy Senior Audrey Kunath Named Semifinalist in the National Merit Scholarship Program

CLEVELAND, OH – Officials of National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) announced that senior Saint Joseph Academy student Audrey Kunath is a Semifinalist in the 63rd annual National Merit Scholarship Program.

Audrey Kunath competed with 1.6 million students from 22,000 high schools nationwide who took the PSAT/NMSQT®, the initial screen for National Merit Semifinalists. The nationwide pool of semifinalists, representing less than one percent of U.S. high school seniors, includes the highest scoring entrants in each state.

With this honor, Audrey now has the opportunity to continue in the competition for some 7,500 National Merit® Scholarships worth about $32 million that will be offered next spring.

Audrey is actively involved in both academics and extracurricular activities at Saint Joseph Academy. She has already completed two Advanced Placement (AP) classes, adding three more this year. Outside of the classroom, Audrey is a member of the Saint Joseph Academy cross country team, Shakespeare Club, Chess Club and is involved in the annual spring musical. She also volunteers her time through Youth Challenge and Fairview Hospital.

These activities and coursework allow Audrey to deepen her knowledge of language and social sciences, laying the foundation for a successful future. “One thing that I appreciate about the academic challenges at Saint Joseph Academy is that we learn the value of studying,” she says. “I have learned the value of...
hard work because not every test or project will result in a perfect score. All we can do is work toward our goals and do our best to achieve our goals.” Audrey lives in Cleveland, is a graduate of Ruffing Montessori School and is the daughter of Mr. Steven and Mrs. Ellen Kunath. Congratulations, Audrey!

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Now in its 127th year, Saint Joseph Academy is the only Catholic high school for girls in the City of Cleveland. With a current enrollment of more than 720 young women, Saint Joseph Academy is rooted in the spirituality of the Congregation of St. Joseph and works to foster unifying relationships with God and all creation. Each young woman is empowered to achieve academic excellence, and inspired to a life of compassionate leadership and service in a global society. Saint Joseph Academy is located at 3470 Rocky River Drive in Cleveland. For more information, visit [www.sja1890.org](http://www.sja1890.org) or call 216.251.6788.