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Cleveland, OH – Officials of National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) announced that
senior Saint Joseph Academy student Gabrielle Kim is a Semifinalist in the 65th annual National Merit
Scholarship Program.

Gabrielle 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,
represents less than one percent of U.S. high school seniors, includes the highest scoring entrants in each
state.

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

Gabrielle is actively involved in both academics and extracurricular activities at Saint Joseph Academy.
She has already completed six Advanced Placement (AP®) classes, adding four more this year. Outside of
the classroom, Gabrielle serves as Editor-in-Chief of the Saint Joseph Academy Yearbook, President of
Science Olympiad, member of the Academy Ambassadors Executive Board, and Treasurer of the Math
Club. She also volunteers her time through St. John Medical Center and is a Parish School of Religion
teaching assistant for 3-to-6 year olds.

These activities and coursework allowed Gabrielle to deepen her knowledge of mathematics, laying the
foundation for a successful future. “The combination of high expectations and encouraging support from
the entire Saint Joseph Academy community has inspired me to always do my best work. The teachers I
have had for my Honors and AP® classes, especially Honors Discrete Math and AP® Statistics, have
helped me develop invaluable study skills and work ethic. Having these classes really opened me up to how much excitement math can bring and helped pushed me to consider Mathematics as a college major,” she shared. Gabrielle lives in Westlake, is a graduate of Lee Burneson Middle School, and is the daughter of Mr. Eduardo and Mrs. Jessica Kim. She will be majoring in Economics/Mathematics in college and her college decision is currently undecided. Congratulations, Gabrielle!

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*Now in its 130th year, Saint Joseph Academy is the only all-girls Catholic high school in the City of Cleveland. With a current enrollment of 705 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 or call 216.251.6788.*