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RPS 205 Students Recognized as Illinois State Scholars

Jan. 16, 2015 – Eighty-four high school seniors in Rockford Public Schools have been named 2015-16 Illinois State Scholars for their outstanding academic achievement. In general, the distinction is awarded to the top 10 percent of graduates from approved high schools across the state.

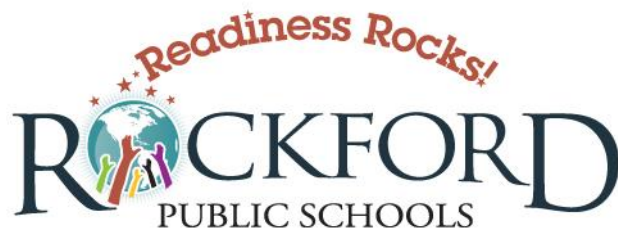
Students honored with the Illinois State Scholar distinction perform in the top half of their high school class (measured at the end of the third semester before graduation), and/or score in the 95th percentile on the ACT, SAT or Prairie State Achievement Exam.

“This is a prestigious recognition from the state, and we’re proud of our students who have earned this distinction,” said Deputy Superintendent Matt Vosberg. “It takes a lot of hard work and commitment from these students, their families, teachers and staff to achieve this recognition. We’re looking forward to celebrating these students’ success.”

The honor is typically noted at each high school’s commencement. A letter is also sent home to families to celebrate their child’s success. A complete list of students is attached.

To learn more about the State Scholar distinction or the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, visit isac.org.

Rockford Public Schools offer a rich and varied curriculum to its 28,000 students. It is one of the largest school districts in Illinois and the second-largest employer in the Rockford region. The district focuses on Readiness Rocks, five initiatives aimed at improving student achievement, making best use of resources and making RPS 205 a desirable and successful school district. Those initiatives are: College and Career Readiness, Seven Periods to Success, 21st Century Learning Environments, Preschool for All and College for All.



RPS 205 2015-16 Illinois State Scholars

Auburn Senior High School

Adam, Nathan
Bear, Benjamin
Bergsten, Alexandra
Chou, Ling
Cuca, Nikolina
Day, Joshua
Ferguson, Janelle
Garst, Brett
Greenlee, Megan
Harunani, Abdulkareem
Higgins, Jacob
Higgins, Justyn
Janicke, Kaylin
Jerusal, Samantha
Khalid, Aymun
Lee, Bryan
Lundberg, Katherine
Lupeamanu, Zachary
Madden, Matthew
McClelland, Donovan
McGraw, Christian
McLain, Bradley
Minett, Kyle
Mulford, Olivia
Nguyen, Kien
Nielsen, Daniel
Nizamuddin, Fatimatuz
Nizamuddin, Mohammad
Pandya, Evan
Pierce, Brent
Rock, Camden
Rubio, Melissa
Rude, Samuel
Rylatt, Colleen
Salstrand, Mark
Sanchez, Camille
Stenerson, Valerie
Trinh, Tina
Torre, Olivia
Trowbridge, Lisa
Veitch, Emma
Vo, Steven
Waldorf, Katherine
Wallace, Andrea
Wang, Victoria



Ward, Asia
Zussman, Rachel

Rockford East High School

Adams, Erica
Atkinson, Mathew
Coulahan, Elizabeth
Doering, Jessica
Dzik, Anthony
Hughes, Anastacia
Lopez-Reyes, Yanin
Olson, Erik
Siyarath, Sintheyah
Stojanovic, Aleksandar
Swanson, Trey
Trinh, James
Wilkinson, Adam

Rockford Guilford High School

Alexander, Christopher
Davenport, Christin
Diraimondo, Katherine
Diraimondo, Michael
Genis, Blake
Giardini, Emilie
Gonzalez-Vargas, Ana
Ives, Austin
Miguel, Melissa
Montgomery, Terrance
Peric, Martina
Rios, Alyssa
Roman, Karina
Shallcross, Jane
Sommer, Logan
Stewart, Emily
Vogl, Laura
Yapo, Sarah

Thomas Jefferson High School

Britton, Thomas
Carmona, Nataly
Fausett, Jennifer
Ho, Dennis
Jobson, Bianca
Morfin, Jessica