




# GOOSE CREEK

## CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Ross S. Sterling HS Top Ten 2015

**Cindy Li** is the **valedictorian** for the Class of 2015 at Ross S. Sterling High School, with a grade point average of 5.665. Cindy is active in the National Honor Society, Student Council, College Forward, Go Green Club and Art Club. She has been a History Fair State qualifier for two years, and her Rodeo Art auctioned for \$60,000. Cindy was recognized as an Advanced Placement Scholar with Distinction, and she received the Presidential Achievement Scholarship and the Baytown Lions Club Scholarship.

Cindy plans to attend the University of Texas at Austin to study pre-pharmacy, majoring in pharmacy and biology. In her free time, she enjoys drawing and painting, origami, watching Netflix and eating. Cindy is the daughter of Nai Wu Li and Qiu Rong Li.

**Salutatorian** for the Ross S. Sterling High School Class of 2015 is **Caren Sanchez**, with a grade point average of 5.529. Caren is a member of Key Club, AVID, RSS Band, National Honor Society and Psychology Club. She was recognized as a National Hispanic Scholar and an Advanced Placement Scholar with Distinction, and she has received honors as a Regional History Fair winner and the Harris County Scholastic Writing Silver Key. Caren received the Baytown Pilot Club Scholarship.

Caren plans to attend the University of Texas at Austin to major in biochemistry/pre-med. In her spare time, she enjoys reading. Caren is the daughter of Reymundo and Nelida Sanchez.

Ranked number **three** in the Class of 2015 is **Astrid Arizbeth Guevara**, with a grade point average of 5.471. Astrid is in the Sterling Orchestra and competed in UIL Literary Criticism. She is also in the Our Lady of Guadalupe Choir. Astrid has received a Scholastic Gold Key Award and won first place at State History Fair.

Astrid plans to attend the University of St. Thomas on a Guinan Scholarship (full tuition) to major in biochemistry/pre-med. She enjoys writing in her free time. Astrid is the daughter of Nefthali Guevara and Gloria Guevara.

Number **four** in the class rank for 2015 is **Ashley Hillin**, with a grade point average of 5.432. Hillin is active in Student Council, National Honor Society, PALs and tennis. She was a finalist for Touchdown Club of Houston, a+ Spring Scholar Athlete and was recognized as a GCCISD Scholar Athlete. Ashley received the A & M Mothers Club Scholarship, the Jennifer Velasco Scholarship and the Alton Prinoda Scholarship. She was a 1st Team All District selection in tennis for the past three years.

Ashley plans to attend Texas A & M University to major in applied exercise physiology. In her free time, she enjoys playing tennis. Ashley is the daughter of James and Susan Hillin.

**Sixth** in the Class of 2015 is **Kayla Stears**, with a grade point average of 5.338. Kayla is in the National Honor Society and the American Sign Language Honor Society. She has been recognized as a Cardinal Scholar and received the Cardinal Village Scholarship.

Kayla plans to attend Lamar University in the Honors College, majoring in speech and hearing science. She enjoys spending time with her family when she is not working. Kayla is the daughter of Roy and Peggy Wilson.

Ranked **seventh** in the Class of 2015 is **Samantha Duran**, with a grade point average of 5.332. Samantha is an officer in the National Honor Society and involved in band and choir. She has been recognized as an Advanced Placement Scholar.

Samantha plans to attend Lee College for her basics before transferring to a larger college and majoring in journalism. In her free time, she enjoys singing, reading and Netflix. Samantha is the daughter of Joseph and Sarah Duran.

**Brady Sutton** is ranked **eighth** in the Class of 2015, with a grade point average of 5.302. During high school, Brady has been active in PALs, National Honor Society, Student Council, football, baseball, Relay for Life, Habitat for Humanity and the Baytown Special Rodeo. He has volunteered for Special Olympics since he was in 5th grade.

Brady's honors include All District 1st Team baseball and football, All District Academic Team (football), Golden Glove – Ranger Baseball Team Award, 2015 Ross S. Sterling Lt. Governor, Advanced Placement Scholar, KPRC's Channel 2 Student of the Week, Greater Houston Area Touchdown Club Scholar Athlete of the Year Finalist, Baytown Sun Super 25 All Area Team (football), All State Academic ELITE Team (football), Rangers Football Team Captain, and numerous others. He received the Texas A & M Opportunity Scholarship, Bruce Paulus Baseball Scholarship, Sterling Football Booster Club Scholarship, Greater Houston Area Touchdown Club Scholar Athlete of the Year Finalist Scholarship, Baytown A & M Mothers' Club Scholarship, Bayer "Science for a Better Life" Scholarship, Baytown ExxonMobil Employees Club Scholarship and United Steel Workers (USW) Local 13-2001 Scholarship.

Brady plans to attend Texas A & M University to major in mechanical engineering. In his free time, he hangs out with friends and family and plays sports. Brady is the son of James and Debbie Sutton.

Number **nine** in the Class of 2015 is **Katherine Honor McKay**, with a grade point average of 5.276. Katherine is involved in the RSS Anime club, RSS Strategy Club, National Honor Society, Baytown Little Theater and the Sterling Municipal Library Summer Teen Volunteers. She

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**Erin Vallagomesa** is ranked **fifth** in the Class of 2015, with a grade point average of 5.358. She is in the National Honor Society, Sterling Choir and the Sterling Stars Dance/Drill Team, where she served as the 2013-14 Major of Company C and the 2014-15 Lieutenant Colonel. She is on the All "A" Honor Roll and is an Advanced Placement Scholar.

Erin plans to attend the University of St. Thomas, where she will major in marketing. If she has free time, she enjoys dancing, playing the guitar and cheering on the Houston Rockets. Erin is the daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Vallagomesa.

is an Advanced Placement Scholar with Honor and received the Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship and the University of North Texas Excellence Scholarship II.

Katherine will attend the University of North Texas in the Honors College to major in social work. In her spare time, she enjoys reading and writing. Katherine is the daughter of David and Agnes McKay.

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**Brooke Bowman** is ranked **tenth** in the Class of 2015, with a grade point average of 5.266. She has been active in National Honor Society, PALs and cheerleading. Brooke is an Advanced Placement Scholar and on the Honor Roll.

Brooke will attend the University of Texas at Austin to major in environmental science. In her free time, she enjoys tumbling, reading, traveling, floating rivers and being obsessed with animals. Brooke is the daughter of Troy and Victoria Bowman.

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