



The Goose Creek CISD Board of Trustees recently honored 11 Goose Creek CISD students for earning national academic recognition from the Duke University Talent Identification Program. From left are Orion Munoz, Kyrie Yong, Darren Trivedi, Chinmayee Kulkarni, Andrew Duran, Helen McKay, Rachel Lahowetz, Rachel Stafford, Nathan Lilly, Natalie Pence, and Brendan Hernandez.

## 11 GCCISD students earn national academic recognition

Each year students from Goose Creek CISD participate in the seventh grade Duke University Talent Identification Program (TIP).

The Duke TIP is a national program that focuses on identifying academically talented students and providing innovative opportunities to support the development of their academic potential.

In order to participate in the Duke TIP, a seventh grade student must have scored at the 95th percentile or higher on a grade level achievement, aptitude, or state criterion-referenced test such as the TAKS test within the past two years.

Students, who are identified to participate in the Duke Talent Search Program, are given the opportunity to take a college level entrance exam, which provides the student with an above-level testing experience for seventh grade students.

Seventh grade students, who take the SAT and score at least 520 points on the math, or 510 on the critical reading section, or 500 on the SAT writing, or have two of the three following scores: Math = 510, Critical Reading = 500, Writing = 490, receive state recognition.

Students receiving grand recognition must meet at least one of the following criteria: Math = 680, Critical Reading = 660, Writing = 650, Math + Critical Reading + Writing = 1850.

**Based on the spring 2012 results, the following 11 Goose Creek CISD students received state and/or grand level recognition:**

**Students earning the Duke TIP recognition from Highlands Junior School are Kyrie Yong (grand level recognition), Darren Trivedi, and Chinmayee Kulkarni.**

**Students earning the Duke TIP recognition from Baytown Junior School are Brendan Hernandez and Natalie Pence.**

**Students earning the Duke TIP recognition from Cedar Bayou Junior School are Nathan Lilly, Rachel Stafford, Rachel Lahowetz, and Helen McKay.**

**Andrew Duran of Gentry Junior School and Orion Munoz of Horace Mann Junior School also earned Duke TIP recognition.**

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