

News From The College Counseling Office

Four Wesleyan Seniors Earn National Merit Semifinalist Status

We are most pleased to announce that *Price Davidson, Bradley Harrison, Josh Jeng,* and *Travis Smith* have been selected as Semifinalists in the 53rd Annual National Merit Scholarship Program. According to the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, each of these students “shows exceptional academic ability and potential for success in rigorous college studies.”

Approximately 1.4 million students in over 21,000 U.S. high schools entered this year’s 2008 Merit Program as juniors taking the 2006 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT), which served as an initial screen of program entrants. Less than one percent of the nation’s high school seniors were designated as Semifinalists on a state representational basis.

Chosen as Semifinalists, these students have demonstrated a strong academic record, have been endorsed and recommended by Chris Cleveland, Principal of the High School, and Linda Connolly, Director of College Counseling, and have submitted SAT I scores that confirmed their previous PSAT performance. In addition, the college counseling office will submit a detailed scholarship application that includes comprehensive academic information, self-descriptive essays and information about participation and leadership in school and community activities. All will now advance in the competition to determine National Merit Finalists.

Congratulations to *Price, Bradley, Josh, Travis* and their families.