The 2019 McDermott Scholars

The 2019 class of Scholars is made up of 9 women and 9 men with 11 students from Texas, 6 from out of state, and 1 from Bangladesh. Collectively, this class has an average two-part SAT score of 1560, and 15 of the 18 received recognition from the National Merit Scholarship program.

Cady Baltz

**Hometown:** Germantown, TN  
**High School:** Houston High School  
**Major:** Computer Science
Taylor Crockett
Hometown: Allen, TX
High School: Allen High School
Major: Undecided

Harrison Dal Ponte
Hometown: Tucson, AZ
High School: BASIS Oro Valley
Major: Mechanical Engineering

Lydia Grant
Hometown: Cincinnati, OH
High School: Turpin High School
Major: Electrical Engineering
Areeba Hafeez
Hometown: Southlake, TX
High School: Carroll Senior High School
Major: Biology

Elijah Harbut
Hometown: Huntington Woods, MI
High School: International Academy
Major: Biochemistry

Paulina Hruskoci
Hometown: Shrewsbury, MA
High School: Shrewsbury High School
Major: Political Science
Pratik Koppikar
Hometown: Coppell, TX
High School: Coppell High School
Major: Molecular Biology

Avirut Mehta
Hometown: Sugar Land, TX
High School: William P. Clements High School
Major: Undecided

Bhaash Pathak
Hometown: Irving, TX
High School: Coppell High School
Major: Neuroscience
Neha Philip

**Hometown:** Lewisville, TX  
**High School:** Hebron High School  
**Major:** Neuroscience

Cari Reinert

**Hometown:** Wylie, TX  
**High School:** Texas Academy of Math and Science  
**Major:** Undecided

Anna Scully

**Hometown:** Keller, TX  
**High School:** Central High School  
**Major:** Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology
Ted Shi

**Hometown:** Overland Park, KS
**High School:** Blue Valley Southwest High School
**Major:** Biomedical Engineering

Katie Strand

**Hometown:** Frisco, TX
**High School:** Independence High School
**Major:** Mechanical Engineering

Khalid Hossain Tawohid

**Hometown:** Dhaka, Bangladesh
**High School:** UCSI International School Springhill
**Major:** Computer Science
Vivian Tran

Hometown: Austin, TX
High School: Westwood High School
Major: Biochemistry

Varun Venkat

Hometown: Frisco, TX
High School: Independence High School
Major: Electrical Engineering