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

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Katie Strand

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

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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