The 2020 McDermott Scholars

The 2020 class of Scholars is made up of 12 women and 6 men with 6 students from Texas, 11 from out of state, and 1 from Ecuador. Collectively, this class has an average two-part SAT score of 1550, and 16 of the 18 received recognition from the National Merit Scholarship program.
Alejandro Barros

**Hometown:** Quito, Ecuador  
**High School:** Heritage High School  
**Major:** Biochemistry

Amulya Bhaskara

**Hometown:** Phoenix, AZ  
**High School:** Paradise Valley High School  
**Major:** Neuroscience

Tyler Burkhardt

**Hometown:** Reno, NV  
**High School:** Davidson Academy  
**Major:** Undecided
Shreya Chauk

Hometown: Irving, TX
High School: Uplift North Hills Preparatory
Major: Computer Science

Kara Curtis

Hometown: Gunter, TX
High School: Gunter High School
Major: International Political Economy

Olivia DiAcetis

Hometown: Duvall, WA
High School: Cedarcrest High School
Major: Undecided
Nigel Gray
Hometown: Okemos, MI
High School: Okemos High School
Major: Finance

Anisha Holla
Hometown: Frisco, TX
High School: Centennial High School
Major: Neuroscience

Nithya Jaisankar
Hometown: Troy, MI
High School: Athens High School
Major: Undecided
Michael Ji

**Hometown:** Spring, TX  
**High School:** Klein High School  
**Major:** Biochemistry

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Sana Khan

**Hometown:** Austin, TX  
**High School:** Westwood High School  
**Major:** Biology

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Lexis Khetsavanh

**Hometown:** Franklin, TN  
**High School:** Centennial High School  
**Major:** Undecided
Angela Li
**Hometown:** Broomfield, CO  
**High School:** Peak to Peak Charter School  
**Major:** Biomedical Engineering

Tori Moore
**Hometown:** West Palm Beach, FL  
**High School:** The Kings Academy  
**Major:** Biomedical Engineering

Isabella Palazuelos
**Hometown:** Oxnard, CA  
**High School:** Fillmore Senior High School  
**Major:** Cognitive Science
Thomas Pham

Hometown: Tucson, AZ  
High School: BASIS Tucson North  
Major: Healthcare Studies

Ann Elaine Rogers

Hometown: Sunnyvale, CA  
High School: Archbishop Mitty High School  
Major: Computer Science

Jeffrey Vancil

Hometown: Austin, TX  
High School: John B. Connally High School  
Major: Public Policy