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  

Sana Khan

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

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