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### **Moon Area Students Designated AP Scholars - Updated**

Nineteen Moon Area High School seniors and recent graduates have been named AP Scholars by the College Board following their outstanding performance on the college-level Advanced Placement (AP) exams.

Nationally, nearly 1.7 million high school students took the AP Exams in May 2009 and only 18 percent of students performed at a level to merit various AP Scholar recognitions.

Moon Area Class of 2009 graduates Lauren Deem, Julia DiFiore, Siddarth Govindarajan, David Homol, Ling-Ling Lee, Ankit Medhekar and Aradhana Purker earned the designation of AP Scholar with Distinction signifying each had scored an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken and grades of 3 or higher on five or more exams.

Govindarajan scored a top score on all seven exams taken in 2009 including biology, calculus AB, chemistry, English literature and composition, European history, U.S. history and U.S. government and politics. Lee notched a top score on six out of seven exams including biology, calculus AB, chemistry, European history, U.S. history and U.S. government and politics. Medhekar received top scores on five of six exams taken including biology, calculus AB, chemistry, European history and U.S. government and politics.

Laura Dupel, Erin Knepper, Kayla Miller, Dan Murray and Vashishtha Patel earned the designation of AP Scholar with Honor after receiving an average grade of at least 3.25 on all AP Exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on four or more AP exams.

A total of seven students were named AP Scholars after receiving grades of 3 or higher on three or more AP Exams. These students were Joseph Andros, Nicolas Antonucci, Patrick Canterbury, Alexander Colarossi, Chris Marince, James Palamara and Maddison Paule.

Moon Area offers students eight AP courses including English literature and composition, calculus AB, calculus BC, U.S. history, European history, U.S. government and politics, chemistry and biology.

Most of the nation's colleges and universities award credit, advanced placement, or both based on successful performance on the AP Exams. More than 3,200 institutions award a full year's credit (sophomore standing) to students presenting a sufficient number of qualifying grades in the more than 30 AP exams available.