

2009 National Youth Science Camp Delegates

Alabama

Nikki Edwards

Hometown: Mobile
High School: John L. Leflore HS
College: Tuskegee University
Major: Nursing
Career Plans: Nurse

Keith Kellogg

Hometown: Huntsville
High School: Catholic HS
College: Auburn University
Major: Mechanical Engineering
Career Plans: Department of Defense

Alaska

Christopher Liu

Hometown: Bethel
High School: Mount Edgecumbe HS
College: University of Alaska-Fairbanks
Major: Biochemistry/Business/Music
Career Plans: Neuroscience Research - Musical Cognition

Madelyn Peterson

Hometown: Palmer
High School: Palmer HS
College:
Major: Environmental Studies/Spanish
Career Plans: Undecided

Argentina

Felipe Garcia

Hometown: Buenos Aires
High School: Instituto Industrial Luis A. Huergo
College: School of Science, University of Buenos Aires
Major: Chemistry

Micaela Ramon Michel

Hometown: Salta
High School: CEDSA
College: Universidad Nacional de Biología e Instituto, Miguel Lillo
Major: Biology

Agus Zaffaroni

Hometown: Comodoro Rivadavia
High School: Prefectura Naval Argentina
College: La Plata University
Major: Psychology
Career Plans: Psychologist

Arizona

Tom Boundy

Hometown: Phoenix
High School: Shadow Mountain HS
College: Pepperdine University
Major: Physical Sciences/Chemistry
Career Plans: Undecided

Shivani Kapur

Hometown: Phoenix
High School: Desert Vista HS
College: University of California at Berkeley
Major: Biochemistry/Economics
Career Plans: Biomedical Research

Arkansas

Katie Defrance

Hometown: Camden
High School: Camden Fairview HS
College: Hendrix College
Major: Physics/Chemistry
Career Plans: Doctorate in Physics

Lyssa Evans

Hometown: Little Rock
High School: Little Rock Central HS
College: Vanderbilt University
Major: Pre-Med/Environmental Science/Music
Career Plans: Doctor or Environmental Architect/

Brazil

Ludimila Araújo Costa

Hometown: Paraíba
High School: Paraíba Federal Institute of Science, Education and Technology
College: Paraíba Federal University
Major: Medicine

Gustavo Gomes

Hometown: Rio De Janeiro
High School:
College: Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Major: Industrial Chemistry/Polymer Science
Career Plans: Chemical Engineering

California

Joyce Lin

Hometown: Riverside
High School: Arlington HS
College: University of California-Berkeley
Major: Biochemistry
Career Plans: Dentist

Vienna Saccomanno

Hometown: Ceder Ridge
High School: Forest Charter HS
College: University of Puget Sound
Major: Biology
Career Plans: Climate Affairs Research

Canada

James Frobb

Hometown: Hanna Alberta
High School: J. C. Charyk Hanna School
College: University of Alberta
Major: Chemistry
Career Plans: Pharmacist

Amanda Lee

Hometown: Ottawa
High School: John McCrae Secondary School
College: McGill University
Major: Biological/Biomedical/Life Sciences
Career Plans: Research/Medicine

Keith MacLeod

Hometown: Stellarton
High School: Northumberland Regional HS
College: Acadia University
Major: Mathematics/Biochemistry
Career Plans: Pharmacologist

Chile

Pablo Alonso Arriagada Romero

Hometown: Viña del Mar
High School: Colegio Ruben Castro Diurno HS
College: Universidad de Valparaíso
Major: Medicine
Career Plans: Doctor

Javiera Castillo Navarro

Hometown: El Salvador
High School: Diego de Almeida HS
College: Undecided
Major: Undecided
Career Plans: Civil Engineer

Andrea Chánique Sallusti

Hometown: Santiago
High School: Sagrados Corazones Alameda
College: Undecided
Major: Undecided
Career Plans: Engineer in Biotechnology

Pato Foncea Araneda

Hometown: Rancagua
High School: Colegio Coya, Machalí
College: Undecided
Major: Undecided
Career Plans: Engineer, Scientist or Economist

Colombia

Santiago Angel Nieto

Hometown: Armenia, Quindío
High School: Colegio Franciscano San Luis Rey, Quindío-Colombia
College: Undecided
Major: Engineering or Administration

Mateo Duque Villegas

Hometown: Medellín
High School: Instituto San Carlos de la Salle
College: Universidad Nacional de Colombia
Major: Biological Engineering
Career Plans: Scientific Research

Paula Franco Rodriguez

Hometown: Bogotá, Cundinamarca
High School: Richmond Bilingual School
College:
Major:
Career Plans: Chemical Engineer

Erika Gutiérrez Gutiérrez Puerto

Hometown: Bogotá
High School: Instituto Colsubsidio de Educación Femenina ICEF
College: Universidad Militar Nueva Granada, Bogotá
Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Bogotá

Colorado

Lina Mikolajczyk

Hometown: Colorado Springs
High School: Cheyenne Mountain HS
College: University of Chicago
Major: Biology/Genetics/Spanish
Career Plans: Physician/Geneticist

Christian Pedroza

Hometown: Aurora
High School: Aurora Central HS
College: University of Colorado at Denver
Major: Pre-Med
Career Plans: Doctor

Connecticut

Hannah Bober

Hometown: Durham
High School: Coginchaug Regional HS
College: Vassar College
Major: Environmental Science/Engineering
Career Plans: Ecotourism

Kaitlin LaFrance

Hometown: Wallingford
High School: Mark T. Sheehan HS
College: Marist College
Major: Biomedical Sciences
Career Plans: Medical School

Delaware

Karen Fang

Hometown: Newark
High School: The Charter School of Wilmington
College: University of Southern California-Los Angeles
Major: Biochemical Engineering/Neuroscience/Pre-

Natalie Stevenson

Hometown: Newark
High School: Charter School of Wilmington
College: University of Delaware
Major: Environmental Science
Career Plans: Ecology and Evolutionary Biology

Florida

Josh Giles

Hometown: Tampa
High School: Freedom HS
College: Princeton University
Major: Math, Physics, or Engineering
Career Plans: Undecided

Shelly Jin

Hometown: Lake Worth
High School: Atlantic Community HS
College: Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Major: Economics or Mathematics
Career Plans: Undecided

Germany

Florian Gerlach

Hometown: Herxheim
High School: PAMINA-Schulzentrum Kooperative Gesamtschule Herxheim - Gymnasium
College: Universitaet Karlsruhe (TH)
Major: Computer Science

Marten Haupt

Hometown: Flensburg
High School: Auguste-Viktoria-Schule Flensburg
College: University of Marburg or University of Heidelberg
Major: Chemistry

Hawaii

Cam Chau

Hometown: Honolulu
High School:
College:
Major:
Career Plans:

Donna Poscablo

Hometown: Waipahu
High School: Waipahu HS
College: University of Hawaii, Manoa
Major: Pre-Med
Career Plans: Doctor

Idaho

Linyi Gao

Hometown: Moscow
High School: Moscow HS
College: Stanford University
Major: Biology, Chemistry, or Physics
Career Plans: Scientist/Medical Researcher

Kali Reider

Hometown: Boise
High School: Meridian Medical Arts Charter HS
College: Idaho State University
Major: Nursing/Pre-med (Biochemistry)
Career Plans: Nurse Practitioner/Doctor

Indiana

Kaitlin Dickman

Hometown: Elkhart
High School: Jimtown HS
College: Purdue University
Major: Biology Teaching
Career Plans: Teaching Junior HS Biology

Amy Richmond

Hometown: Bloomington
High School: Bloomington South HS
College: DePauw University
Major: Chemistry/Theatre Minor
Career Plans: Medicine/Environmental Chemistry

Iowa

Adam Koch

Hometown: Cedar Rapids
High School: John F. Kennedy HS
College: University of Nebraska, Lincoln
Major: Biology
Career Plans: Research Scientist

Kate Tjeerdsma

Hometown: Cherokee
High School: Sioux Central HS
College: Wartburg College
Major: Pre-Medicine (Chemistry)
Career Plans: Doctor

Kansas

Tiffany Hwang

Hometown: Wichita
High School: Wichita East HS
College: University of Pennsylvania
Major: Biochemistry
Career Plans: Doctor

Caleb Schmitz

Hometown: Westmoreland
High School: Rock Creek HS
College: Tabor College
Major: Pre-Engineering
Career Plans: Civil Engineer

Kentucky

Ilya Vinogradov

Hometown: Lexington
High School: Paul Laurence Dunbar HS
College: University of Kentucky
Major: Undecided
Career Plans: Pharmacy

Louisiana

Aaron Reyes

Hometown: Ball
High School: Tioga Senior HS
College: Brown University
Major: Neuroscience/Psychology
Career Plans: Medicine

Tony Tzeng

Hometown: Lafayette
High School: Lafayette HS
College:
Major:
Career Plans:

Maine

Jenny Leach

Hometown: Bangor
High School: Bangor HS
College: University of Maine
Major: Chemical Engineering
Career Plans: Neonatology

Sylvia Talbott

Hometown: Naples
High School: Lake Region HS
College: Northeastern University
Major: Biology
Career Plans: Research or Education

Maryland

Re-I Chin

Hometown: Rockville
High School: Walter Johnson HS
College: Washington University in St. Louis
Major: Chemistry/Biochemistry
Career Plans: Professor

Teresa Yeh

Hometown: Ellicott City
High School: Centennial HS
College: Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Major: Cognitive Sciences/Biology
Career Plans: Medicine and Research

Massachusetts

Ruby Lee

Hometown: Shrewsbury
High School: Shrewsbury HS
College: University of Pennsylvania - Jerome Fisher
Program in Management and Engineering
Major: Business/Engineering

Sam Wong

Hometown: Quincy
High School: North Quincy HS
College: Cornell University
Major: Biochemistry
Career Plans: Physician

Mexico

Hector Caballero Castañeda

Hometown: State of Mexico
High School: Escuela Nacional Preparatoria, Pedro de Alba 9
College: Universidad Nacional Autonoma de México,
Mexico City

Raúl Castro Ramirez

Hometown: San Luis Potosí
High School: Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey.
College: Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey.

Jéssica Gomez Hernandez

Hometown: Zapopan, Jalisco
High School: Colinas de San Javier HS
College: Universidad Autónoma de Guadalajara
Major: Mechanical and Electronics Engineering
Career Plans: Researcher / Engineering Research

Melissa Elizabeth Gonzalez Soto

Hometown: Mexico
High School:
College:
Major:
Career Plans:

Maira Jimenez Sanchez

Hometown:
High School: Miguel Othon de Mendizabal, IPN, HS
College: Tecnologico de Monterrey, Estado de Mexico or Instituto Politecnico Nacional
Major: Undecided

Karla Elizabeth Torre Coldivar

Hometown: Guadalajara
High School:
College:
Major:
Career Plans:

Michigan

Emily Buttigieg

Hometown: Woodhaven
High School: Woodhaven HS
College: University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
Major: Biology
Career Plans: Doctor

Alex Lott

Hometown: East Lansing
High School: Haslett HS
College: Michigan State University
Major: Civil Engineering
Career Plans: Civil Engineer

Minnesota

Libby Atwater

Hometown: Minneapolis
High School: South HS
College: Colorado State University
Major: Undecided
Career Plans: Undecided

Mississippi

Hometown:
High School:
College:
Major:
Career Plans:

Alex Wang

Hometown: Clinton
High School:
College: Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Major: Mathematics/Physics
Career Plans: Research Scientist

Missouri

Hayley Scheerer

Hometown: Kansas City
High School: Raytown HS
College: Truman State University
Major: Chemistry
Career Plans: Doctor

Mack Su

Hometown: Clayton
High School: Clayton HS
College: Yale University
Major: Undecided (Molecular Biophysics/Chemistry)

Montana

Justin Nagy

Hometown: Sunburst
High School: North Toole County HS
College: Montana State University, Bozeman
Major: Microbiology
Career Plans: Laboratory Technician/Research

Nebraska

Lam Hoang

Hometown: Lincoln
High School: Lincoln North Star HS
College: Trinity College (CT)
Major: Undecided

Marissa Niemoller

Hometown: Papillion
High School: Papillion-LaVista HS
College: University of Nebraska
Major: Undecided
Career Plans: Cross Country/Track Coach

Nevada

Franky Mancini

Hometown: Las Vegas
High School: Centennial HS
College: University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Major: Undecided
Career Plans: Doctor

Kylie Stevens

Hometown: Sun Valley
High School: Spanish Springs HS
College: Mills College
Major: Anthropology/Archeology
Career Plans: Anthropologist

New Jersey

Mike Lee

Hometown: Carteret
High School: St. Joseph HS
College: Princeton University
Major: Molecular Biology
Career Plans: Biomedical Research

Kamal Saleh

Hometown: Hamilton
High School: Hamilton HS
College: Rutgers University
Major: Pre-med
Career Plans: Doctor

New Mexico

Tony Huang

Hometown: Albuquerque
High School: La Cueva HS
College: Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Major: Electrical Engineering
Career Plans: Undecided

Jacque Stringfield

Hometown: Rio Rancho
High School: Rio Rancho HS
College: University of New Mexico
Major: Pre-Med
Career Plans: Doctor in United States Air Force

New York

Teresa Konopka

Hometown: Staten Island
High School: CSI HS for International Studies
College: Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Major: Aerospace Engineering
Career Plans: Graduate School

Tricia Kutwaru

Hometown: Queens
High School: Hillcrest HS
College: City College of New York
Major: Physics/Biology/Pre-Med
Career Plans: Doctor

North Carolina

Ben Bucior

Hometown: Greensboro
High School: Northwest Guilford HS
College: University of Pittsburgh
Major: Chemical/Bioengineering and Spanish
Career Plans: Engineering Research

Arthur Kim

Hometown: Chapel Hill
High School: East Chapel Hill HS
College: Duke University
Major: Economics/Pre Med
Career Plans: Doctor

North Dakota

Paige Scherer

Hometown: Beulah
High School: Beulah HS
College: University of North Dakota
Major: Clinical Laboratory Science
Career Plans: Undecided

Tyler Swenson

Hometown: Dickinson
High School: Dickinson HS
College: University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
Major: Chemistry/Physics/Mathematics
Career Plans: Research Chemistry

Ohio

Maya Madhavan

Hometown: Broadview Heights
High School: Brecksville-Broadview Heights HS
College: Cornell University
Major: Biomedical Engineering/Computer Science
Career Plans: Engineering

Matt Willis

Hometown: Buford
High School: Lynchburg-Clay HS
College: Wright State University
Major: Biomedical Engineering
Career Plans: Ph.D.

Oklahoma

Varuna Rao

Hometown: Tulsa
High School: Union HS
College: Boston University
Major: Biomedical Engineering
Career Plans: Medicine

Nicholas West

Hometown: Oklahoma City
High School: Southmoore HS
College: Southwestern Oklahoma State University
Major: Biology
Career Plans: Engineering

Oregon

Michael Loy

Hometown: Portland
High School: Oregon Episcopal School
College: Harvey Mudd College
Major: Engineering (Mechanical/Chemical)
Career Plans: Research/Business

Ilana Walder-Biesanz

Hometown: Portland
High School: Riverdale HS
College: Franklin W. Olin College of Engineering
Major: Mechanical Engineering
Career Plans: Engineering Spokesperson/Professor

Panama

Arturo Arosemena Pitty

Hometown: Panama
High School: America Institute HS
College: University of Panama
Santa Maria La Antigua University
Panama City

Edwin Davidson Barahona

Hometown: Panamá
High School: Colegio Cristiano El Buen Pastor
College: Universidad de Panamá
Major: Chemistry
Career Plans: Chemical Engineering

Pennsylvania

Samuel Esarey

Hometown: Blairsville
High School:
College:
Major:
Career Plans:

Peru

Maria Baldeon Eizaguirre

Hometown: Huancayo
High School: Colegio Particular "Andino"
College: Cayetano Heredia
Major: Medicine
Career Plans: To have my own hospital

Juan Diego Oviedo Rodriguez

Hometown: Arequipa
High School: Anglo American Prescott School
College: Anglo American Prescott School
Major: Medicine
Career Plans: Doctor

Alvaro Morales Sanguineti

Hometown: Lima
High School: Markham College
College: Undecided
Major:
Career Plans:

Marcelo Sanchez Zevallos

Hometown: Chiclayo
High School: I.E. FAP "Renan Elias Olivera"
College: Pedro Ruiz Gallo University
Major: Medical School
Career Plans: Plastic Surgeon

South Carolina

Catherine Hodierne

Hometown: Summerville
High School: Summerville HS
College: University of South Carolina
Major: Marine Biology or Anthropology
Career Plans: Lawyer or Teacher

South Dakota

Nikki DeJong

Hometown: Avon
High School: Avon HS
College: Black Hills State University
Major: Science Education
Career Plans: Secondary Science Teacher

Josh Peterson

Hometown: Brookings
High School: Brookings HS
College: Gustavus Adolphus College
Major: Physics/Political Science
Career Plans:

Texas

Lauren Gilbert

Hometown: Southlake
High School: Carroll Senior HS
College: Undecided
Major: Physics
Career Plans: High energy physics research

Lina Velandia

Hometown: San Antonio
High School: Douglas MacArthur HS
College: University of Texas at Austin - McCombs School of Business
Major: Engineering/Business

Trinidad, WI

Joe Crooks

Hometown: Edinburgh 500 Chaguanas
High School: Queen's Royal College
College: University of the West Indies
Major: Medicine
Career Plans: Neurology/Nephrology

Vermont

Franklin Caval-Holme

Hometown: Cuttingsville
High School: Mill River Union HS
College: Stanford University, California
Major: Biology
Career Plans: Researcher

Zheyi Peng

Hometown: South Burlington
High School:
College:
Major:
Career Plans:

Virginia

Chelsea Auernheimer

Hometown: Richmond
High School: Richmond Community HS
College: Undecided
Major:
Career Plans:

Daniel Hostetler

Hometown: Lynchburg
High School: E.C. Glass HS
College: University of Virginia
Major: Biochemical Engineering
Career Plans: Medicine

Washington

Ashiyah Cays-Vesterby

Hometown: Sequim
High School: Sequim HS
College: Evergreen State College
Major: Environmental Science/Creative Writing
Career Plans: Field Researcher and Writer

Patrick Sodt

Hometown: Bellingham
High School: Sehome HS
College: University of Washington
Major: Mechanical Engineering
Career Plans: Automotive Engineering

West Virginia

Emily Boggs

Hometown: Charleston
High School: George Washington HS
College: Harvard University
Major: Biomedical Engineering/Cellular Biology
Career Plans: Medical Research

Mae Scott

Hometown: Lewisburg
High School: Greenbrier East HS
College: Tulane University
Major: Mathematics/Physics
Career Plans: Academia

Wisconsin

Emily Chen

Hometown: Appleton
High School: Appleton East HS
College: University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
Major: Biomedical Engineering
Career Plans: Biomedical Engineer

Suvai Gunasekaran

Hometown: Madison
High School: James Madison Memorial HS
College: Harvard College
Major: Bioengineering/Chemistry
Career Plans: Research

Wyoming

Parul Agarwal

Hometown: Laramie
High School: Laramie HS
College: Harvard University
Major: Undecided
Career Plans: Undecided

Kelsie Anson

Hometown: Basin
High School: Riverside HS
College: Colgate University
Major: Biology
Career Plans: Doctor