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Midland School Student Named as Commended Student in the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Program



Head of School Will Graham congratulates Anna Paris-Behr '12



Anna Paris-Behr '12

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Los Olivos, CA – Will Graham, Head of Midland School, announced that Anna Paris-Behr, of Los Angeles, CA, has been named as a Commended Student in the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Program. A Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program, was presented by Graham to Paris-Behr, a senior at Midland School.

34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the 2012 competition for Merit Scholarships, Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than 1.5 million students who entered the 2012 competition by taking the 2010 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

“The young men and women being named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success,” commented a spokesperson for NMSC. “These students represent a valuable national resource; recognizing their accomplishments, as well as the key role their schools play in their academic development, is vital to the advancement of educational excellence in our nation. We hope that this recognition will help broaden their educational opportunities and encourage them as they continue in their pursuit of academic success.”

About Midland School

Founded in 1932, Midland School is a coeducational, college preparatory boarding school for grades 9-12. It is located in the Santa Ynez Valley on a 2,860-acre working ranch. The school combines rigorous academics with intensive immersion in the environment, and maintains a commitment to authentic student leadership, simplicity, self-reliance and environmental stewardship. Midland enrolls 85 students and employs 20 teachers, all of whom live on campus. **For more information about Midland School, please visit www.midland-school.org.**

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