

## **National Merit Scholarship Corporation names three Plainview-Old Bethpage JFKHS seniors as finalists**

The National Merit Scholarship Corporation has announced the names of more than 15,000 finalists out of the 1.5 million students who entered the 69th annual National Merit Scholarship Program. The district is pleased to announce that POBJFKHS seniors Matthew Kang, Michael P. Olakkengil, and Richard Wong are among the 15,000 students nationwide who progressed to the next level of the competition

“Being recognized as National Merit Scholarship finalists is a true testament to the exceptional dedication and academic prowess exhibited by each of our outstanding seniors,” Plainview-Old Bethpage JFK HS Principal Dr. Heather Dvorak said. “We are immensely proud of their achievements and eagerly anticipate the bright futures that await them as they continue to excel and make meaningful contributions to our community and beyond.”

As finalists, these three students will be considered for approximately 7,100 National Merit Scholarships worth more than \$31 million. Winners will be announced in the spring.



Matthew Kang



Michael P. Olakkengil



Richard Wong