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20 Overbrook seventh-graders qualify for Duke TIP

Twenty Overbrook seventh-graders scored in the 95 percentile or above in selected subject areas on their 5th and/or 6th grade standardized/achievement test, thus qualifying for the Duke University Talent Identification Program. This is the highest number of Overbrook seventh-graders in the last three years to earn this distinction.

The students who made the high scores are: Isa Aparicio, Douglas Arney, Griffin Connolly, Elizabeth Demere, Alex Forrest, Page Forrest, Madeline Fox, Britt Hunt, Isabel Johnson, Aubrey Kazimi, William Knight, Dana Lee, Emma MacCurdy, Genny Parkes, Tanner Roarty, Kate Rolman, Jack Sheridan, John Slota, Velvet Vaughn and Ellie Wenzler. These students are eligible to take the SAT or ACT College Board tests as seventh-graders.

The 28-year-old Talent Search Program identifies academically talented seventh-graders based on standardized test scores achieved while attending elementary or middle school, according to the Duke TIP Web site. Duke TIP then provides the participants with comparative information concerning their academic abilities and resources for unique educational opportunities.

“The percentage of our students who excel on standardized tests shows the quality of our junior high program as well as the excellent foundation our students receive at the elementary level,” said Principal Sister Marie Blanchette, O.P.

Overbrook is owned and operated by The Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia Congregation. Overbrook is a co-educational Catholic school for pre-k through eighth grade students where children grow in grace and knowledge. One hundred percent of the eighth-graders enrolled in Algebra I last year at Overbrook tested out of entry level math in high school as freshmen and are now taking higher level math. In addition, four members of the Overbrook Class of 2004 have been recognized this fall as National Merit Scholarship Program semifinalists and commended students. For more information about Overbrook, visit www.overbrook.edu.

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