

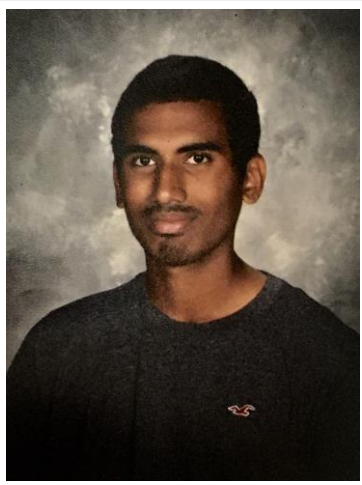


National Trig-Star Committee Selects Winners of the National Trig-Star and Teaching Excellence Awards

The National Society of Professional Surveyors (NSPS) is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2021 Richard E. Lomax National Trig-Star Awards. The Trig-Star committee met on July 23, 2021 to determine the three top high school students from the national examinations submitted by state winners. This year there were twenty state winners submitted.

The Richard E. Lomax National Trig-Star Awards are as follows:

FIRST PLACE



\$2,000 Rohit Dasanoor
Revere High School
Richfield, Ohio

SECOND PLACE



\$1,000 Mary Meyer
Andale High School
Andale, Kansas

THIRD PLACE



\$500 Kendall Sutton
Liberty Ranch High School
Galt, California

The Richard E. Lomax National Teaching Excellence Awards are as follows:

\$1,000 Joanne Gilette
Revere High School
Richfield, Ohio

\$500 Janelle Geist
Andale High School
Andale, Kansas

\$250 Katie Sutton
Liberty Ranch High School
Galt, California

The following is a list of the remaining participants:

Junzheu Jiang, Connecticut
Brandon Dong, Colorado
Shakira Cruz Lopez, Delaware
Kenneth Holdman, Illinois
Davis Trumm, Iowa
George Barsan, Kentucky

Sean Williams, Maine
Javid Garcia, Michigan
Kyle Miller, Montana
Noah Gersich, Minnesota
Daniel Dickey, Missouri
Evan Rosenblatt, New Hampshire

Abby Post, North Dakota
Phong Le, South Carolina
Ethan Jones, Texas
Nolan Smith, Utah
Qingyne Li, Vermont



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The National Contest participants completed a questionnaire which was submitted along with their completed test. The questions relate to the participants high school achievements and interests, college aspirations, and career goals. The following responses were received to two of the questions posed:

What have you learned from this experience with Trig-Star? Would you recommend this for other students to experience?

- I've learned that surveying is an interesting & sometimes engaging task: I would recommend it to other students certainly.
- I experienced the practical math. Since it will help students understand better what the purpose of learning math is. Of course, I will recommend.
- I learned a lot with Trig-Star. Before doing it, I did not know much about Trigonometry, just the basic right triangle stuff. Trig-Star allowed me to learn more about Trigonometry and to think more outside the box. I would definitely recommend this for other students to experience.
- Trig is very useful and appears in our daily life. Need to think outside the box and I had a lot of fun solving these trig problems. I highly recommend this to other students; it is fun to solve these problems.

Have you ever thought about a career in surveying and engineering?

- I have thought about a career in surveying as one of my options. I am looking into architecture or an engineering degree.
- Yes, it has crossed my mind and is now a backup plan.
- Prior to the test I had only ever considered engineering, however surveying does sound interesting.

For more information about the NSPS awards and scholarship programs, please contact NSPS, 5119 Pegasus Court, Frederick, MD 21704, (240) 439-4615, e-mail: Trisha Milburn at trisha.milburn@nsps.us.com, or visit the NSPS web site at www.nsp.us.com.