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Undergraduate Academic Convocation Ceremony Held at La Lumiere School

La Porte, Ind. – May 15, 2008— La Lumiere undergraduate students were recognized for their academic performance during the annual Academic Convocation ceremony held Friday evening, May 9 on the La Lumiere School Campus.

Excellence in the study of ENGLISH 9

Conor Luck – La Porte
Mackenzie O'Brien – La Porte
Cody Steinhiser – Michigan City
Theresa Siedlecki – Michigan City

Excellence in the study of ENGLISH 10 – BRITISH LITERATURE

Elaine Fehrs – Michigan City
Patrick Grimmer – Niles, MI
Asher Igra – La Porte
Jessica Kilcoyne – La Porte

Excellence in the study of ENGLISH 11 AMERICAN LITERATURE

Zachary Gillis - Merrillville
Mitchell Rathberger – La Porte
Taylor Zobrosky - La Porte

Excellence in the study of CREATIVE WRITING

Alexus Colon – Chicago, IL

Excellence in the study of ESL

Won Kun Lee – Goyang-shi, Korea

Excellence in the study of ESL ENGLISH

Diem Congleton - Union Pier, MI

Excellence in the study of ALGEBRA ONE

Taylor Bonds – Union Pier, MI
Lydia Rogers – La Porte

Excellence in the study of ALGEBRA TWO

Abigail Grossbauer – Chesterton
Sean Kwon – Seoul, Korea

Excellence in the study of GEOMETRY

Soo Bin Oh – Seoul, Korea
Hillary Zawada – La Porte

Excellence in the study of PRECALCULUS

Ricki Kim – Daejeon, Korea
Semy Lee – Daejeon, Korea

Excellence in the study of HEALTH

Ari Augustaitis – New Buffalo, MI
Patrick Grimmer – Niles, MI
Francis Meyer – Michigan City
Mitchell Rathberger – La Porte

Excellence in the study of BIOLOGY

Abigail Grossbauer - Chesterton
Robert W. Lake – La Porte
Lydia Rogers – La Porte

Excellence in the study of INTRODUCTION TO CHEMISTRY/PHYSICS

Vytenis Karaitis – Union Pier, MI

Excellence in the study of CHEMISTRY

Patrick Grimmer – Niles, MI
Semy Lee – Daejeon, Korea
Soo Bin Oh – Seoul, Korea

Excellence in the study of PHYSICS

Angelina Kalinovich – Vladivostok, Primorski, Russia
Ricki Kim – Daejeon, Korea

Excellence in the study of HONORS PHYSICS

Natalee Allenbaugh - Valparaiso

Excellence in the study of ADVANCED BIOLOGY

Semy Lee – Daejeon, Korea

Excellence in the study of GEOGRAPHY

Robert Bartels – South Bend
Sydney McBride – New Carlisle
Lydia Rogers – La Porte
Nora Sloan – Michigan City

Excellence in the study of WORLD HISTORY

Ari Augustaitis – New Buffalo, MI
Patrick Grimmer – Niles, MI
Vytenis Karaitis – Union Pier, MI
Jessica Kilcoyne – La Porte

Excellence in the study of US HISTORY

Mark Langley – Metairie, LA
Mitch Rathberger – La Porte

Excellence in the study of AP US HISTORY

Natalee Allenbaugh - Valparaiso

Excellence in the study of ECONOMICS

Natalee Allenbaugh - Valparaiso

Excellence in the Study of GOVERNMENT

Natalee Allenbaugh - Valparaiso

Excellence in the study of SPANISH ONE

Lindsay Ciastko - Hammond
Conor Luck – La Porte
Sydney McBride – New Carlisle

Excellence in the study of SPANISH TWO

Jessica Kilcoyne – La Porte
Semy Lee – Daejeon, Korea
Jung-Min Park – Seoul, Korea

Excellence in the study of SPANISH THREE

Patrick Grimmer – Niles, MI
Brittany Scholl – La Porte
Taylor Zobrosky – La Porte

Excellence in the Study of ADVANCED SPANISH

Zachary Gillis - Merrillville

Excellence in the study of FRENCH ONE

Soo Bin Oh – Seoul, Korea

Excellence in the study of FRENCH TWO

Abigail Grossbauer - Chesterton

Excellence in the study of FRENCH THREE

Jeff McComas - Michigan City

Excellence in the study of FOUNDATIONS OF ART

Lauren Sauers – La Porte

Ashley Scholl - La Porte

Excellence in the study of MUSIC APPRECIATION

Lindsay Ciastko - Hammond
Abigail Grossbauer - Chesterton
Lydia Rogers – La Porte
Nora Sloan - Pottawattomie Park
Cody Steinhiser – Michigan City

Excellence in the study of 3D ART

Soo Bin Oh – Seoul, Korea
Jung Min Park – Seoul, Korea

Excellence in the study of DESKTOP PUBLISHING

Zachary Gillis - Merrillville

Excellence in DRAMA PERFORMANCE

Marisa Behnke - La Porte
Patrick Firme – Michigan City
Zachary Gillis - Merrillville
Evelyn Hale - Schererville
Maya Haller - Valparaiso
Nick Jankowski – Lyons, IL
Justin Knoll – La Porte
Kevin Kryston – Michigan City
Robert J. Lake – Michigan City
Lexi Pettke – New Buffalo, MI
Lydia Rogers – La Porte
Cody Steinhiser – Michigan City
Natalie Szymkowski – La Porte

Excellence in the study of LEADERSHIP

Ari Augustaitis – New Buffalo, MI
Clara Kaminski – La Porte
Jessica Kilcoyne – La Porte
Kiva Wenig – La Porte
John Westbrook – Michigan City

Excellence in the study of OLD TESTAMENT/NEW TESTAMENT

Evelyn Hale – Schererville
Conor Luck – La Porte
Nora Sloan - Pottawattomie Park
Theresa Siedlecki – Michigan City

Excellence in the Study of PHILOSOPHY

Mitchell Rathberger – La Porte

Excellence in COMMUNITY SERVICE

Torrence Harris – La Grange, IL

SPEECH CONTEST WINNERS

9th-10th Grade Category

3rd Place Alexis Colon – Chicago, IL

2nd Place Cody Steinhiser – Michigan City

1st Place Maya Haller - Valparaiso

11th-12th Grade Category

3rd Place Kevin Kryston – Michigan City

2nd Place Jung-Min Park – Seoul, Korea

1st Place Joshua Katz – Beverly Shores

Scholar Athlete Awards

Natalee Allenbaugh - Valparaiso

Robert Bartels – South Bend

Traute and Miller Bransfield Award - Zachary Gillis, Merrillville

This award honors the Junior year student who best portrays the La Lumiere ideal. The La Lumiere ideal is something, which takes as its starting point the words character, faith, and scholarship as stated in the school mission statement.

Frederick Douglass and Susan B. Anthony Award - Patrick Firme – Michigan City

Given to one qualified junior chosen each year by the faculty of La Lumiere. Award winners have demonstrated excellent grades rigorous courses in the humanities and/or social sciences and a commitment to co-curricular activities in these disciplines. They have also demonstrated commitment to understanding and addressing difficult social issues, leadership within the school community and a dedication to community action.

George Eastman Young Leaders Award and Scholarship - Zachary Gillis - Merrillville

One qualified junior is chosen each year by the faculty of La Lumiere. The award is based on strong academic achievement in a challenging curriculum strong leadership skills, and dedicated participation in extensive, or time-consuming co-curricular activities. The application fee to the University of Rochester is waived for all high school nominees for the Young Leaders Award. Students of are admitted to the University of Rochester may be selected to receive the University of Rochester Kodak Young Leaders Scholarship upon enrollment.

Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award - Natalee Allenbaugh - Valparaiso

One qualified junior is chosen each year by the Science Department at La Lumiere. Award winners are recognized based on the following criteria:

Successful completion of and academic excellence in La Lumiere science courses and excellent scores on PSAT Math, SAT Math, and/or ACT Science/Math standardized tests.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Award - Semy Lee – Deajeon, Korea

This award is presented to a junior who is at or near the top of his or her class academically, who has demonstrated the potential for success in a challenging academic setting, and who has excelled in math and science courses.

The following juniors were inducted into the National Honor Society:

Natalee Allenbaugh - Valparaiso
Patrick Firme – Michigan City
Zachary Gillis - Merrillville
Angelina Kalinovich – Vladivostok, Primorski, Russia
Kevin Kryston – Michigan City
Jung-Min Park – Seoul, Korea
Mitchell Rathberger – La Porte
Elizabeth Sloan - Pottawattomie Park
Natalee Szymkowski – La Porte
Keturah White – Chicago, IL
Taylor Zobrosky - La Porte

La Lumiere is a coeducational lay Catholic boarding and day school that provides a comprehensive college-preparatory, high school education for qualified young men and women from a rich diversity of backgrounds. It seeks to develop character, scholarship, and faith, while remaining both independently accredited and faithful to its Catholic heritage. Please visit www.lalumiere.org for directions and additional information.

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