



LA LUMIERE SCHOOL

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La Lumiere Students Named Semifinalists in 2012 National Merit Scholarship Program

LaPorte, Ind. – September 22, 2011 – La Lumiere seniors, Christian (CJ) Allen of Valparaiso, and Shubhra Murarka of La Porte were named Semifinalists in the **2012 National Merit Scholarship Competition** on September 14. More than 1.5 million juniors entered the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Program by taking the 2010 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT), which served as an initial screen of program entrants.

CJ is an active member of La Lumiere's award winning Science Olympiad team, a varsity tennis player, a member of the National Honor Society, and a key player in the school's drama productions. Shubhra is a member of the National Honor Society, has been a member of our award winning Science Olympiad team and is a member of our state championship Academic Decathlon team. Shubhra traveled on a service trip to Nicaragua during spring break for the past two years to assist a children's group.

The nationwide pool of Semifinalists, which represents less than one percent of U.S. high school seniors, includes the highest scoring entrants in each state.



Christian Allen



Shubhra Murarka

About La Lumiere School

La Lumiere is a coeducational lay Catholic boarding and day school with an enrollment of over 200 students that provides a comprehensive college preparatory 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. It is situated on a beautiful rural estate, 25 miles west of South Bend, 60 miles east of Chicago, and 8 miles from both La Porte and New Buffalo. La Lumiere School is accredited by the Independent Schools Association of the Central States (ISACS) and the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (NCA).

More information about La Lumiere School can be found at www.lalumiere.org

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