

2015 DC METRO AREA CHAPTER SPOTLIGHT



**April 19, 2015
Martin's West
Baltimore, MD**

2015 New Scholars: 5

2015 Recognized Scholars: 5

Cumulative Washington, DC Metro Area Scholars: 135 (DC and Virginia)

\$79,067 has been paid out to colleges on behalf of the scholars who won their awards in the Washington, DC metro area.

**As of fiscal year 2015*

"What an encouragement to our youth. It is such an honor but the inspiration it gives these children is the greatest gift!"

- Parent of a Carson Scholar



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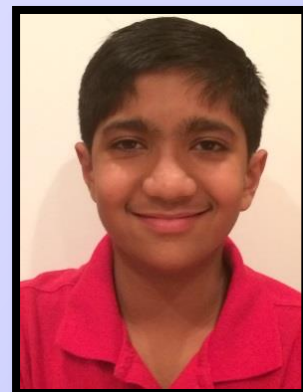
Katie O'Donnell, 5-Time Carson Scholar



Caitie is a 5-time Carson Scholar who has also received many impressive awards including the Girl Scout Gold Award, the Girl Scout Silver Trifolow Award, second place in the Region Science Fair Physics Category, Maryland Governor's Citation for Community Service and the Best Defense Attorney Maryland Regional Award. She is also involved in school and club women's volleyball and is a member of Destination Imagination, Mock Trial, National Technical Honor Society, National Honor Society, Key Club, MESA and symphonic band. Caitie's goal for the future is to become a prosthetic engineer or biomedical engineer so she can help improve the quality of human lives.

Rohil Bhinge, 2015 Carson Scholar

Rohil is a member of the Newspaper Club and History Club at school. As part of the History Club, Rohil qualified for the National History Bee School Level Competition and finished in fourth place in the state of Virginia in the National Geography Bee Competition. He is a Kohl's Cares winner and has been awarded with the Johns Hopkins University Center of Talented Youth, as well as the Duke Talent Identification Program Merit Certificate. Aside from academics, he is a part of track and field, cross country running and swimming clubs. In December 2014, he participated in Junior Olympics Cross Country Championships in Myrtle Beach, SC.



Damon Smith, 2015 Carson Scholar



Damon is a member of the National Junior Honor Society, the Academic Quiz Bowl Team and Math Club at school. He also enjoys playing for the Charles County Elite Track Club, on the school soccer team and participated in a summer youth program under the National Society of Black Engineers. Damon lectures as a public speaker for St. Thomas More Catholic Church. Recently, he lectured with his mother at the National Shrine, which was locally televised and also partook in the 12th Annual Worldwide Children's Eucharistic Holy Hour, where he performed the "I Have a Dream" speech by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

