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## Westview High School Student Awarded College-Sponsored Scholarship for 2020 (NMSC)

(Evanston, Illinois) – The National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) released today approximately 650 more names in the fourth and final group of winners for the 65th annual National Merit Scholarship Program. Poway Unified School District is pleased to announce that a Westview High School student was named as part of this group.

**Carina J. Luo:** Westview High School (Torrey Highlands)

Probable Career Field: Biochemistry

Award: **National Merit Brandeis University Scholarship**



Carina Luo joins 3,300 other students nationwide who received college-sponsored scholarships from the university of their choice. They were judged to have the strongest combination of accomplishments, skills, and potential for success. Carina will attend Brandeis University, a small research university 10 miles outside Boston for 2020-21.

Officials of each sponsor college selected their scholarship winners from among the finalists in the NMSC Program who will attend their institution. The scholarships provide between \$500 and \$2,000 annually for up to four years of undergraduate study, according to a release from NMSC.

### About the National Merit Scholarship Program

Over 1.5 million juniors in approximately 21,000 high schools entered the 2020 National Merit Scholarship Program. The majority of National Merit Scholarships offered each year are underwritten by some 400 independent corporate and college sponsors that support NMSC's efforts to honor the nation's scholastically talented youth and encourage academic excellence at all levels of education.

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