



All high schools in the Iowa and Illinois counties served by the Quad-City Times were invited to nominate graduating seniors for Salute to Academics & Achievements recognition.

Students were selected for each category by their schools. Information was submitted by high school

counselors. Students also were asked to write short essays about the changes they expect to see in the world in the next 10 years.

Nominees will be saluted on special pages in the Q-C Area section on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

# Davenport North High School

**DAVENPORT NORTH** High School has selected these outstanding seniors from its class of 218 students:

## Academics

**ALISON PERKINS**, daughter of Charlene and Ronald Perkins of Davenport, plans to major in interior design/architecture at Iowa State University, Ames.

### Top achievements:

- Academic Excellence
- National Honor Society
- Senior Leadership Award

“Ten years from now, I would expect to see new strides made toward a healthier nation — not only medically, but environmentally as well. Over the past decade, it seems the most advancements have been made toward the technology spectrum. I think we’ll create new technology, but I hope the focus will be aimed toward health. If no one starts taking care of the people of the world and their total health, there will be no one around to use the new technology.”

**KELSEY REGAN**, daughter of Mary and Larry Regan of Davenport, plans to major in environmental engineering at Iowa State University, Ames.

### Top achievements:

- Academic Excellence
- National Honor Society
- Academic All-State, cross country

“With our country’s economic situation, I think that people will have to work a lot harder than they did before. Also, I hope that people will step up to help the environmental problems that we face today. I hope that everyone will work together to lead the world in the right direction.”

## The Arts

**ANGELA CONGROVE**, daughter of Raymond Congrove and Lisa Hansen of Davenport, plans to major in art at Augustana College, Rock Island.

### Top achievements:

- 3 awards for drawing, Quad-City Arts show
- High School Invitational 2008

“It’s hard to say where I think the world will be in 10 years, but I expect this generation to shape it into a world they love. Hopefully, there won’t be so many bad stories in the news. Ten years from now, the world could be better or worse. It’s up to us to choose the path. It’s like art — give a group of artists the same image to paint, and every painting will still be different.”

**CONSTANCE RIGGINS**, daughter of Terri Riggins and Thomas Riggins of Davenport, plans to major in theater and English at the University of Iowa, Iowa City.

### Top achievements:

- Cast as Anne Frank, Wildcat Production of “The Diary of Anne Frank”
- Drama Club president
- Performed in American High School Theatre Festival in Edinburgh, Scotland, with Fringe Performing Arts Festival

“I believe 10 years from now the world will be a calmer place, leading to a more peaceful learn-



**Alison Perkins Kelsey Regan Angela Congrove Constance Riggins Robin Evans Hillary Tanner Mitchell DeFauw**



**Megan Middleton Blake Dean Nicole Woodson Thomas McNair III Zachary Hurt Ashley Black Allen Gish**

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Quinn Adams, Andrea Albers, Eian Aldrich, Orcun Alpay, Antoinette Anderson, Jakaea Anderson, Shaenard Anderson, Jennafer Atchley, Amber Badolato, Mark Baldwin, Makayla Barber, Kyle Barton, Ashley Bates, Shalonda Benson, Amanda Bishop, Johnathon Bitterman, Ashley Black, Joshua Bolkema, Amanda Boyd, Jerome Bradley III, Janiqua Bragg, Megan Brock, Alyssa Brown, Justin Brown, Armani Butler, Ceejay Byers, Michelle Callaway, James Carlisle, Megan Carney, Brandon Carter, Peter Chau, Ashley Clark, Erin Clark, Amanda Cole, Breon Coleman, Brion Coleman, Samantha Concannon Colter, Angela Congrove, Chelsea Connor, Nicholas Contreras, David Curtis, Nanga Dang, Iman Daniel, Britney Davis, Mitchell DeFauw, Christie DeVault, Gina Deahl, Blake Dean, Andrew Deckert, Tiffany Derrick, Adrian Dewispelaere, Lindsey Dickerson, Samantha Dietz, Brandon Dippel, John Doll, Lucas Dorethy, Joseph Downs, Chesney Drummond, Sabrina Duley, Amanda Ehlers, Robin Evans, Kenesha Fairley, Alec Fetterer, Jessica Fink, Andrew Fleetwood, Zachery Followwill, Phlesia Ford, Jonathan Foster, Brandon Fowler,

Sarah Franco, Ashley Freese, Brian Frick, Nicolas Gales, Jordan Garr, Samantha Gerken, Brandon Gilbraith, Alyssa Gillaspie, Allen Gish, Kirsten Gonzales, Allysen Graves, Deondre Graves, Lance Green, Airreo Greer, Brittany Griesenbeck, Arianna Hanchett, Matthew Haney, Brittany Hansen, Dustin Hawley, Brett Hayes, Xinran Ada He, Walter Hickman, Michelle Hines, Shante Hinton, Eric Hoang, Thomas Howard, Samantha Hudson, TJ Huebbe, Justin Huettman, Kimani Humphries, Rebecca Huntington, Zachary Hurt, Brandy Jackson, Demetrius Jackson, Demetrius Johnson, Jamial Jones, Olivia Jones, Quinita Jones, Melinda Kaster, Jena Keimig, Angeline Khoulo, Heather Kinser, Katelynn Kivlin, Helena Kleine, Luke Klenske, Brandon Kuht, Sarah Langrehr, Katherine Learn, Trenton Lebarge, James Lee Jr., Jonathan Lejman Jr., Kelli Leonard, Leann Liendo, Everton Lima, Kyle Lindemann, Courtney Locke, Farica Lomas, DJon Lowder, Alexandria Ludtke, Ariel Luke, Myron Maxwell, Samantha McCoy, Sierra McDonald, Porsha McElfresh, Thomas McNair III, Mima Mehovic, Megan Middleton, Keyla Miles, Sara Millard, Kevin Miller, Dylan Morgan, Janee Morgan, Dalisa Morgan, Audrey Neuhaus, Ryan

Nicely, Jenna Nichols, Zane Nims, Alexander Norman, Cody Oberlander, Clare Oberman, Lindsay Ockerman, Kyle Oszolk, Tiffany Parsons, Deondre Patterson, Kayla Pearson, Jeremy Peel, Alex Pencil, Carlos Perez, Alison Perkins, Phuc Pham, Kebbins Pollard, Nicholas Powell, Kelli Raap, Samantha Ratzlaff, Jared Rawson, Allison Redman, Kelsey Regan, Cody Rhodes, Nicole Richardson, Constance Riggins, Zachary Rohlf, Amanda Sawyer, Joey Schlander, Sarah Schlue, Justin Schultz, Alfred Scott, Caleb Secor, Richard Serrano, Chanel Session, Jessica Severt, Aimee Shook, Emile Sickler, Kayla Simons, Carleitus Sims, Allison Smith, Shawndra Smith, Jessica Snook, Steven Snow, Stephen Sorensen, Desmenn Spann, Anthony Stanger, Paige Steinmetz, Mitchell Strayer, Hilary Tanner, Davia Tatum, Teneisha Taylor, Cody Thiessen, Connor Thinnis, Taylor Thomas Sloan, Daniela Thompson, Marisa Timmons, Tyler Tinsley, Starr Toliver, Donnie Tucker, Jordan VanDeWalle, Elizabeth Vandevorde, Morgan Vangeston, Jacob Visage, Stephanie Watts, Jacob Weber, Tyler Wentworth, Blake White, Brandon White, Charles White, Martez Williams, Erica Winkler, Nicole Woodson, Tatyana Wooten and Haokang Tom Zhu.

ing environment in schools. Through the leadership of the generations to come, I trust that all aspects of living will advance. We can always progress when new ideas are encouraged.”

## Humanities

**ROBIN EVANS**, daughter of Hubert Evans and Mai Linh Dao of Davenport, plans to major in music education at Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa; Augustana College, Rock Island; University of Iowa, Iowa City; St. Ambrose University, Davenport; or Western Illinois University, Macomb.

### Top achievements:

- High GPA
- Prompt and positive appraisal and acceptance after auditions in piano and voice at every college I applied to
- Participation in Handel Oratorio Society at Augustana in 2008 and 2009 as a soprano

“The Obama administration will improve the way other countries view the U.S. The Iraq war will end. The economy will improve. Technology will transform daily life in medicine, communications, and energy production.”

**HILARY TANNER**, daughter of Bill and Julie Tanner of Davenport, plans to attend the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls.

**Top achievements:**

- National Honor Society
- Academic Excellence
- Senior Leadership Award

“In the next decade, I expect to see greater advancements in technology in the medical field. I also plan on seeing a better economy, thanks to the Obama administration. I hope to see schools obtain better technology in every classroom across the country as well.”

## Leadership

**MITCHELL DEFAUW**, son of Dan and Nikki DeFauw of Davenport, plans to major in English and music at Luther College, Decorah, Iowa.

**Top achievements:**

- First Honors
- National Honor Society
- Eagle Scout award

“What I’d like to believe lies in the future is a more accepting world for other cultures and ethnicities. I also expect with the developing technology, it won’t be long until we have robots to perform everyday household jobs.”

**MEGAN MIDDLETON**, daughter of Mary Ann and Terry Middleton of Davenport, plans to major in secondary education at the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls.

**Top achievements:**

- National Honor Society secretary

**Top achievements:**

- First Honors
- Key Club editor

“I believe that in the future, more people will turn to religion. I can see this happening because the world is going through such hard times that people need something to believe in.”

## Math/The Sciences

**BLAKE DEAN**, son of Steven and Geryl Dean of Davenport, plans to major in actuarial science at the University of Iowa, Iowa City.

**Top achievements:**

- Advantage Iowa full-tuition scholarship
- University of Iowa honors program
- “5” on AP biology exam

“There are many changes I would like to see 10 years from now. I would like to see less students failing classes and dropping out of college because I believe that education will be the key to getting a successful job 10 year from now.”

**NICOLE WOODSON**, daughter of Judy Woodson of Davenport, plans to major in pre-medicine at Luther College, Decorah, Iowa.

**Top achievements:**

- Academic Excellence
- National Honor Society vice president
- All-State Orchestra violinist, 2 years

“In the next 10 years, I would

expect to see a stronger economy in the U.S. I believe our political leaders will make that happen. Through their leadership, we will be more successful in our economy. I would also expect to see a closer bond between government and community.”

## Vocational Education

**THOMAS MCNAIR III**, son of Tami McNair and Thomas McNair Jr. of Bettendorf, plans to major in civil engineering at the University of Iowa, Iowa City.

**Top achievements:**

- College credit through PLTW programs
- Academic Recognition
- Active member of North High industrial arts

“I believe that in 10 years that the world will be a better place. More and more technological breakthroughs are being accomplished daily. People will be cured of diseases and everyone will be healthy as well as solutions to world problems being found.”

**ZACHARY HURT**, son of Darcy West of Davenport, plans to major in accounting at Western Illinois University, Macomb.

**Top achievements:**

- Business department internship
- Academic Excellence
- AP classes

“I envision a world in which a child can open up a notebook computer and have limitless learning potential at their fingertips. I expect to see students being able to live up to their potential. I also expect greater opportunities for students wishing to further their knowledge in any subject.”

## Young Journalist

**ASHLEY BLACK**, daughter of Mike and Lori Black of Davenport, plans to major in graphic arts at the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls.

**Top achievements:**

- Yearbook editor-in-chief
- Winning awards for 2008 Norwich yearbook
- Doing weddings as a professional

“Since I have started school, things have increased dramatically in the areas of the economy, technology and the environment. In the future I see technology advancing and with that would come my graphic arts field and a better economy than we have now.”

**ALLEN GISH**, son of Tracy Gish and John Grimes of Davenport, plans to attend Scott Community College, Bettendorf.

**Top achievements:**

- Quill and Scroll
- Newspaper entertainment page editor

“I think that the United States will become a stronger country because of all the turmoil we are enduring at this time. I also believe that Spanish will be a more common language in the U.S. Technology will be more advanced and we will be able to cure diseases that at the present are ‘incurable.’”

# Rivermont Collegiate

**RIVERMONT COLLEGIATE**, Bettendorf, has selected these outstanding seniors from its class of 10 students:

## Academics

**BRADLEY GREEN**, son of Jill Green and Scott Green of Davenport, plans to major in aerospace engineering.

### Top achievements:

- National Merit semifinalist
- National Honor Society
- Honor Roll

“In 10 years, both text messaging and blogs will become obsolete. Security measures using genetic codes will be cheap and effective. Textbooks will be used far less as interactive technology expands. Computers will become a Salute to Seniors category. Finally, people will be more open to the cultures of others.”

## The Arts

**MANISHA KUMAR**, daughter



**Bradley Green Manisha Kumar Katherine Beydler Anup Parikh Shravan Chintalapani**

of Drs. Pomilla and Narinder Kumar of Davenport, plans to major in biology/psychology/vocal music at Augustana College, Rock Island.

### Top achievements:

- State Science Fair, 9th place
- National History Day, state qualifier
- Academic Letters

“In the next 10 years, I hope to see the world grow greener. I expect less dependency on oil and an increased use of renewable energy sources (such as wind and solar). This will decrease harmful pollutants and provide plentiful, clean resources that can last forever.”

## Humanities

**KATHERINE BEYDLER**, daughter of Leslie Dupree and John Beydler of Davenport, plans to major in biology.

**Top achievements:**

- George Neiley writing award
- National Honor Society
- Quad-City Times Salute to Academics & Achievements

“I doubt that the world will be drastically different in 10 years. Perhaps it will be ‘greener’ or more peaceful, but the basic characteristics of mankind will not change. A new war will likely be brewing; some new fad will be spreading like a plague. As for myself, I cannot say.”

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Angela Bahls, Katherine Beydler, Shravan Chintalapani, Nicholas Cummins, Bradley Green, Manisha Kumar, Anup Parikh, Nicholas Petre, Natalie Smith and Joseph VanDuyne.

## Leadership

**ANUP PARIKH**, son of Dr. Yogin and Arati Parikh of Coal Valley, Ill., plans to major in pre-medicine at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

**Top achievements:**

- National Merit finalist
- Bausch & Lomb honorary science award, University of Rochester
- Advanced Placement Scholar with distinction

“Tomorrow’s world will be a canvas of colors with different shades merging harmoniously. Man would be recognized by his

actions and not by race or gender or nationality. Peace and understanding will prevail over anarchy and mistrust. The youth of today will be the catalyst for the change of tomorrow.”

## Math/The Sciences

**SHRAVAN CHINTALAPANI**, son of Dr. Sreenivas and Radhika Chintalapani of Moline, plans to major in pre-medicine at Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio.

**Top achievements:**

- National Merit commended scholar
- George Eastman Young Leaders Award
- University of Chicago research lab internship invitation

“In the next 10 years, I do not necessarily see the world any better than it is today. I see a world building foundations and taking steps toward becoming a better world.”