



## Congratulations to our 2010 ACE Scholarship Awardees!

**ALEX NOREN** – Herndon H.S., Electrical Engineering

Award: Hughes Network Systems / Sumitomo / Parsons Transportation

About Alex: His team won the Connect Award and the Final Alliance Award in their FIRST Robotics' competition at Oakton High school. He also met the MythBusters, the Director of NASA, the Founder of FIRST Robotics and the current President of the United States.

Years in ACE: 1

**BELETE BERHANE** – Hayfield H.S., Civil Engineering

Award: PB Americas / Lane Construction / Gilbane

About Belete: He is a member of his school's FIRST Robotics team and the Poetry Club. As a participant of the JROTC, he has earned the Academic Excellence Award, Distinguished Cadet Award, Proficiency Award, Good Conduct Award, and Perfect Attendance Award.

Years in ACE: 1

**BRYANA DAVIS** – Booker T. Washington H.S., Civil Engineering

Award: DC Government Neighborhood Investment

About Bryana: A member of the student government for the past couple of years, she convinced her school faculty to accept and implement the students' ideas. She was also inducted into the Honor Society; and accepted into the student program at the General Services Administration.

Years in ACE: 3

**CATHERINE IVES** – George C. Marshall H.S., Architecture

Award: Turner Construction

About Catherine: Proficient in Adobe InDesign, she is the art editor of the Literary and Art Magazine – a magazine that raises money to publish itself each year and is comprised of art and literary pieces from the student body. Certified in Autocad, she is a member of the Technology Student Association and participated in an architectural model competition. She is also active in Environmental Club (organized a presentation for the Just World Festival awareness festival); as well as completed the Pratt Institute Pre-College Residential Program for Architecture, Foundation of Art, Art History, and Portfolio Development; and the Corcoran College of Art and Design: Portfolio Development. She was inducted into the National Honor Society (serves as Treasurer) and the International Quill and Scroll. A math tutor, she is also a member of the math honor society Mu Alpha Theta.

Years in ACE: 2

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**DANIEL REEVE** – Wheaton H.S., Mechanical Engineering

Award: Watkins Meegan / Sigal Construction / Hill International

About Daniel: He worked with fellow students to better his class and the school as a Class Officer in the Student Government Association. A member of the Robotics Club, he has been on the Honor Roll from the 2006–2010 school years; as well as achieved the Excellence in Engineering Award and Community Service Award for helping elementary school and high school freshmen learn and improve upon academic skills.

Years in ACE: 3

**EVAN HOLLY** – Woodrow Wilson H.S., Architecture

Award: DC Government Neighborhood Investment

About Evan: A member of the National Honor Society, he also won 1st Prize (plant division) at the 62nd annual D.C. Mathematics, Science and Technology Fair. Awards he has received include the Alice Deal History Fair Award (resulting from the citywide National History Day Fair); and the Coaches Award twice for his performance on the Junior Varsity basketball team and the Varsity basketball team. Having been a member of ACE for the past two years, he was a key member taking the lead in the redesign of Wilson's cafeteria and giving testimony to DC City Council that outlined deficiencies in the plans and presented new design aspects that will be implemented in the new cafeteria as part of the Master Facilities Plan for the school's upcoming modernization.

Years in ACE: 2

**MARC MURPHY** – Woodrow Wilson H.S., Mechanical Engineering

Award: DC Government Neighborhood Investment

About Marc: He was also a key participant and innovative member of the ACE team that outlined deficiencies in the Master Facilities Plan for the school's upcoming modernization, giving testimony to DC City Council regarding the speed and proficiency of the modernization process. He is the Assistant Captain of the FIRST Robotics team; Boy Scout Troop Leader and Life Scout; Captain of the swim team; Geography Genius of *It's Academic* quiz bowl; physics specialist and DC Regional Science Bowl Champion; concert band trumpet player; and a member of the National Honor Society.

Years in ACE: 2

**MARIA ROSSI** – Chantilly H.S., Architecture

Award: SOM / MBP / Gauthier Alvarado / The Matthews Group

About Maria: As an active member of the Spanish Honor Society, she serves as a Spanish tutor every week, teacher's assistant and events organizer. She is a Junior Varsity sprinter on the Track & Field team (Athletic Award winner); participant of the Environmental Awareness Club; Future Business Leaders of America member (with excellent recognition in finance); model and member of the Fashion Club; member of the Chantilly Pyramid Minority Student Association; a volunteer with Our Daily Bread (an organization that collects food and other

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items for the less fortunate); International Library of Poetry winner of the Editor's Choice Award; and recipient of two awards for High GPA and Achievement.

Years in ACE: 1

**MATHEOS MESFIN** – Calvin Coolidge H.S., Engineering

Award: DC Government Neighborhood Investment

About Matheos: He actively participates in the D.C. Language Access Coalition as a Youth Coordinator who ensures that DC residents and workers with limited English proficiency (LEP) or non-English proficiency (NEP) have equal access to essential government benefits and services. In the UPO Center Summer Youth Program, he interned to help community organizations that were involved with substance abuse prevention, youth programs, services for homeless families, health related activities, adult education, and specialized transportation. He is co-founder and co-President of the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE) junior chapter at Coolidge; Founder and President of the S.M.A.R.T program (Student Multi-ethnic Action Research Team); United Nations Model Student at the Union Internationale des Avocats (International Union of Architects) conference; Ethiopian group leader for the International Day Club; Leader of Coolidge's College for Every Student; Member of the Men of Strength Club; and fluent in four languages (French, English, Amharic, Tigrigna). On Coolidge's "Principal's Highest GPA List", he achieved the National Achievement Award; Honor Roll, National Student Award; and is a Posse Scholar to Grinnell College.

Years in ACE: 2

**MICHIAS ZEWDU** – Calvin Coolidge H.S., Civil Engineering

Award: DC Government Neighborhood Investment

About Micky: Leader of the Men of Strength Club and President of the International Club, he is also co-founder and co-President of the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE) junior chapter at Coolidge; Captain of the soccer team; Lead member of the S.M.A.R.T program (Student Multi-ethnic Action Research Team); Leader of the GEMS program (Gains Education Mathematics and Science); a member of the Robotics Club; and a member of the Language Club. He is in the National Honor Society, has achieved the Honor Roll and Principal's List, and attends afternoon early college courses at the University of the District of Columbia.

Years in ACE: 2

**RACHEL JORDAN** – Bowie H.S., Architecture

Award: IMI / Delon Hampton

About Rachel: Based on her leadership skills and academic success, she was chosen to be a Student Advisor for senior students – where she leads and mediates discussions involving topics like conflict-resolution and time management for a group of 18 seniors. Every Wednesday, she tutors 9th graders. She has completed the Carnegie Mellon Pre-College Art Program; actively participates in the FIRST Robotics competition (IEEE Robot Challenge–Most Original Robot Award–Team 109); and is Secretary of the Student Government Association that

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recently organized a fundraiser for her school and Haiti. She is on the Varsity Indoor/Outdoor Track and Field team and the Junior Varsity Basketball, receiving recognition for breaking the High School Track Record for the Sprint Medley Relay and becoming a National High School Track Championship Qualifier and Maryland State Track and Field Championship Qualifier. A member of the National Honor Society, her accolades include the National Society of High School Scholars, Bowie High School Athletic Honor Roll, Maryland Athletic Association Scholar Athlete Award, and the President's Education Awards Program.

Years in ACE: 2

**SARA FLEETWOOD** - Yorktown H.S. (Arlington Career Center), Engineering

Award: Thornton Tomasetti

About Sara: She has been accepted into Virginia Tech for Engineering. A dedicated ACE team student for the past two years, she is skilled with AutoCAD and is handling most of the coordination tasks with the team's design project. She is a member of the National Honor Society and actively participates in Crew, Indoor Track, Cross Country, Basketball and Soccer.

Years in ACE: 2

**TEVIN COLE** - Suitland H.S., Architecture

Award: McGraw-Hill Construction / Clark Construction Group, LLC

About Tevin: Proficient in Autocad, his career goals and ambitions are to become a renowned architect that specializes in eco-friendly designs. This past summer, he was accepted into the highly competitive University of Maryland School of Architecture Young Scholars Summer Program. He successfully completed this rigorous program, earning three college credits while learning from faculty, graduate students and other design experts from one of the top architectural schools in the United States.

Years in ACE: 2

**TRAVON GREENE** - Crossland H.S., Architecture Engineering

Award: USGBC / Belstar / "Ranine Talbert Memorial"

About Travon: A member of the National Honor Society and Honor Roll, he also completed the intensive University of Maryland School of Architecture Young Scholars Summer Program. He plans to explore the fields of landscape architecture, interior design and photography; as well as aspires to become the next million dollar architect.

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