



Winter Minisee

- Senior at Encore High School
- Started her own non-profit, "Black is Lit"
- Activist for civic engagement and positive representation of marginalized people in media



Rhea Mistry

- Freshman at Poly High School
- Launched the non-profit, "Bundles of Care"
- Ranks #3 out of 644 students in her class



Ian Hughes

- Senior at Riverside STEM Academy
- Published peer reviewed science journals and participated in paleontological digs
- Campaigned for 5 years to allow surfboards on Metrolink trains



Temiloluwa (Temi) Jekayinfa

- Junior at Arlington High School
- Varsity Football and Track Athlete
- Leader in School's National Honor Society, Math Club, Black Student Union
- CTO for JARSS Tech



Olivia Gehrs

- Senior at Ramona High School
- Served on Riverside Community Foundation Youth Grantmaker's Committee
- Youth Ambassador with Riverside Mission Inn



Audrey Alexander

- Senior at Woodcrest Christian High School
- Award-winning, self-taught artist
- National Honors Society and Bourns Engineering STEM Program



William Merickel

- Sophomore at Riverside STEM Academy
- Over 80 hours in community service with Youth Advisory Council
- Founded STEMdev Club



Elizabeth Grant

- Senior at Ramona High School
- Placed 3rd in Mock Trial Gladiator World Competition
- Big Brother/Big Sister Program in Riverside for 2 years



Phuong Tran

- Senior at Arlington High School
- Involved in ASB, tutoring her peers, volunteering at her temple
- Aspires to attend UC Riverside and become an Optometrist



Daniel Molina

- Senior at Ramona High School
- Activist for LGBT Rights, specifically transgender recognition
- Will attend Pitzer College



Sean Skiff

- 8th grader at Encore School of the Arts
- Youngest Team Leader for 2017 Great American Clean Up
- Activist for lab-tested dogs through Beagle Freedom Project



Madeleine Hott

- 8th Grader at Saint Catherine of Alexandria Catholic School
- Cellist for Corona Youth Symphony Circle City Strings
- Plays basketball with non-profit travel league
- Teaches low-income children Karate



Ray Ushikubo

- Graduating from Summit View High School
- Prestigious Pianist, played at Carnegie Hall, Merkin Concert Hall, NBC's The Tonight Show, and much more
- Featured speaker at TEDx Redmond



Elizabeth Ochoa

- Freshman at John W. North High School
- Involved in Corner Stone and Alleyway transformations
- Leader in Healthy Living Project Club



Luis Diaz

- Senior at Ramona High School
- Part of MECHA, American Cancer Society, and Habitat for Humanity
- Went to Sacramento as the Boys' State Representative for a leadership program



Blaze Arnold

- Senior at Ramona High School
- Director of Art for school newspaper
- Ranked top 1% of Senior class



Melanie Sanchez

- Senior at Arlington High School
- Volunteers at Riverside Life Services & Kaiser Permanente
- Aspires to work in the medical field



Gavin Zhang

- Freshman at Martin Luther King High School
- First & only to take AP Calculus AB at his school
- Success in Science Olympiad, Mathcounts, and I.E. Piano Competition



Victor Lao

- Senior at Ramona High School
- Valedictorian
- President of Little Big Planet
- Secretary of Asian Student Union



Caroline Younglove

- Senior at Riverside STEM Academy
- Selected for RUSD Honors Theater Program
- Participated on Earthwatch Expedition to Canada
- Leader in ASB and Link Crew



Claudia Velazquez

- Senior at Ramona High School
- USB President, member of AVID
- Accepted to Science Watch to study archeology
- Sings in Madrigal's Choir



Vanessa Chavez

- Senior at La Sierra High School
- Award winner in Technology at State and International level
- Director of Publicity for Link Crew
- President of Sign Language Club



Jennifer Walker

- Senior at Ramona High School
- Top 20 in her class
- Part of Ramona's Human and Bioscience Academy



Jeremy Flye

- Junior at Woodcrest Christian High School
- Volunteers in Children's Ministry at The Grove Community Church
- Helped underserved children in Calexico and Belize



Nivedita Kanrar

- Senior at Riverside STEM Academy
- Completed 4-year Capstone Project
- Won multiple creative writing competitions
- Captain of Science Olympiad team

Recognizing the Nominators

- Diane Skiff
- Priscilla Grijalva
- Theresa Copple
- Patty Najera
- Lori Minamyer
- Rodney Warren
- Lisa Ciranna
- Karen L. Wright
- Micah Justice
- Nicole Centofranchi-Brown
- Kathleen Sarmiento
- Laura Pawling
- Albert Montoya
- Hugh Wood
- Catherine Murray
- Vanessa Segura
- Kerry Geyer-Villanueva
- Donna Marie Milligan
- Rebecca Cook
- Minh Vu
- Pam Prescott
- Brian Money
- Mark Lim
- Leticia Llamas Alvarado
- Kathleen Harrison
- Scarlett Valencia
- Rebecca Griffiths
- Bailey Alvarado

Recognizing the Nominators

- Lisa Ramapuram
- Kathleen Lavergne
- Chris Gastinger
- Pauline Soria
- Kevin Flye
- Yucui Chen
- Ralm Jung
- Greyson Anderson
- Gabriella Zlaket
- Drew Ward
- Weiwei Zhang
- Shannon Kush
- Sophia De La Rocha
- Erika Zuvia
- Jean-Marie Harris
- Victoria Anderson
- Jennie Pauli
- Linda Jirsa
- Hilma Griffin-Watson
- Tammy Martin-Ryles
- Teresa Tchami
- Daniel Kari
- Yuridia Nava