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Five NISD Students Named National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholars

Northwest ISD announces five students selected as National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholars by College Board. James M. Steele Accelerated High School senior Eric Trevino, Northwest High School senior Philo Waters, IV and Byron Nelson High School seniors Kasi Flores, Catherine Porter and James Cuellar have been selected from 5,000 academically outstanding students representing more than 250,000 Hispanic/Latino juniors who take the PSAT/NMSQT. Approximately 200 of the top-scoring PAA students from Puerto Rico are also included.

Trevino is a member of Steele Accelerated High School Excel (similar to student council), the school's Running Club, Russian Club, Visual Novel Club and is creating a Chess Club. He would like to major in biology or chemistry with a focus on pre-med. Waters is vice president of his senior class at Northwest High School and is a member of the varsity basketball team. He he aspires to become a doctor. Cuellar is a member of the Byron Nelson High School varsity tennis team where he has been recognized as an All-District and Academic All District competitor. He has also been named District 5-6A Newcomer of the Year. Porter is also a member of the Byron Nelson High School varsity tennis team. Additionally, she is on the varsity band and the National Honor Society. She volunteers weekly with special needs children and is planning to major in nuclear engineering. Flores is a member of the BNHS theatre department where has led the department as head set designer. She volunteers at a music venue and plans to major in scenic design.

To be eligible for this award, students must be at least one-quarter Hispanic/Latino and achieve a minimum PSAT/NMSQT or PAA score for their region. Students with a cumulative junior year grade-point average of 3.5 or higher are designated as Scholars.

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PHOTOS INCLUDED: Trevino, KasiFlores, CatherinePorter, JamesCuellar, Waters