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Montgomery Blair High School Students Recognized as Carson Scholars, One for the Fourth Time

Silver Spring, MD—Six students from Montgomery Blair High School, including two from the Montgomery Blair High School Science, Mathematics, and Computer Science Magnet Program, were named as Carson Scholars this month. In fact, Blair Magnet students (with their grade level) Shaun Datta (10) of Potomac and Jingjing Xu (9) of Gaithersburg were recognized with this distinction for the fourth and second times, respectively. In addition, Ariel Blakely (9) of Silver Spring, Fresia Blanco-Romero (10) of Silver Spring, and Emma Morris (12) received this award for the third, second, and second time, respectively. Blair's candidate for the Ben Carson Scholarship, Peter Asch (11) of Silver Spring, was a first-time recipient and was awarded the \$1,000 college scholarship.

Carson Scholarships were initiated by pediatric neurosurgeon Dr. Ben Carson and his wife in 1994 to reward excellence in academics and community service through college scholarships to American youth. Each school may nominate a single student who has maintained an unweighted grade-point average of 3.75 and displayed humanitarian qualities through community service for this college scholarship. Previous recipients of the scholarship may reapply for recognition as Carson Scholars but will receive the scholarship money just once.

About The Montgomery Blair High School Magnet Foundation

This organization was founded by a group of concerned students, teachers, administrators, and alumni in 2008. Its purpose is to promote science, mathematics, and computer science education by supporting the Magnet Program at Montgomery Blair High School in its efforts to develop resources and refine practices needed to provide a rigorous and enriched education for students, staff, and the community at large. The Foundation is incorporated in the state of Maryland and is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization.