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## National Merit semifinalists

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Local students Catherine Elizabeth Wright, Dylan Mather, and Hunter Wimsatt have been recognized as semifinalists in the 2022 National Merit Scholarship Competition.

Wright attends Apollo High School, and Mather attends Owensboro High School. Wimsatt attends The Gatton Academy of Mathematics and Science in Kentucky but is still considered a student at Owensboro Catholic High School.

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The local trio are among approximately 16,000 semifinalists, which represent students who earned the highest scores in each state on the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. More than 90 percent of the semifinalists are expected to attain finalist standing, and about half of the finalists will win a National Merit Scholarship.

National Merit Scholarships valued at more than \$30 million will be awarded next spring.

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