



# CSMB

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING?



## FALL SEMESTER

## HELLO COLLEGIATE FAMILIES!

The 2016-17 school year is well underway, and CSMB is thriving! Clubs and extra curriculars, sports, and academics are continuing to surpass our expectations, and prove we are an exceptional school. We look forward to the remainder of our first year of full-enrollment.



The Freshman Class of 2016 on the Camp Wyman "Low Ropes Course"

## CAMP WYMAN:

Our freshman class of 2016 participated in the annual Camp Wyman field trip at the Wyman Center in Wildwood, Missouri. Students took part in team-building activities that were both physically and mentally challenging. The experience is designed to strengthen our students' relationships, and team dynamic. And they got to be outdoors!



## YOUNG SCIENTIST PROGRAM 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY GALA

Washington University in St. Louis' Young Scientist Program, or YSP, is a fantastic program designed to expose St. Louis youths to STEM, both by providing educational outreach from postgraduate-level students, and by mentoring students interested in STEM fields. Our school has been lucky to work with YSP in both capacities, coordinated by science teacher, John Maddux.

Our students involved in the Continuing Mentoring program were invited to YSP's 25th anniversary gala, held October 22nd.



CSMB Students at the Gala: Chloe Cherry (back row, second from right), Adia Page (front row left), and Jada Reid (front row right).

Our students involved in the Continuing Mentoring program were invited to YSP's 25th anniversary gala, held October 22nd. The night included presentations from YSP's founder, involved educators, and YSP alumni, and raised over \$112,000 for future programming. Yes, that figure is correct!

## INTERNSHIPS:

We are in the final stages of planning for internships for our Seniors. Our partnerships with Wash U. and SLU schools of medicine will provide many of our 23 internships in medicine and nursing and research. We are also partnering with Logan University to offer 2 sports medicine internships, MO Botanical Gardens for a multi-disciplinary plant science experience, Gateway Greening for 3 agriculture/sustainability internships, and SLU Biomedical Engineering for 2 more. We are working towards internship experiences at other local institutions such as Danforth Plant Center, the Zoo, and Cortex.





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### TREMENDOUS STUDENT SUCCESS:

CSMB students are being recognized for their excellence in many ways.

#### AP Scholar Award

students received scores of 3 or higher on three or more AP Exams:

- Ibrahim Javaid
- Adam Mancuso
- Fatima Wahidi

#### AP Scholar Award with Honor

students receive an average score of at least 3.25 on all AP Exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams.

- Amanda Arbuckle
- Ayesha Ghumra
- Hamza Jalal
- Mohammad Khalaf



Ibrahim Javaid (top) with his Carson Scholar Trophy, and Mohammad Khalaf (bottom) with his National Merit Scholar Letter of Commendation

#### Carson Scholar Trophy

The Prestigious Carson Scholars fund awards students who don't just achieve academically—with a minimum GPA of 3.75—but who also show devotion to their community. We are proud to recognize Senior Ibrahim Javaid for receiving this honor.

#### National Merit Scholar Letter of Commendation

Although 1.6 million students take the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test every year, only about 2% receive recognition for their high scores. Senior Mohammad Khalaf received a letter of commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Program.

### GLOBALHACK:

CSMB students attended GlobalHack this month at Chafeitz Arena. This is a three-day coding marathon for professional and aspiring coders. Our students designed projects with the goal of alleviating poverty. We sent two teams, and although this was their first time attending this event, or *any* competitive coding event for that matter, one of our teams finished within the top ten!



CSMB GlobalHack Participants with Mr. Schenk

### LEDA SCHOLARS:

Each year the Leadership Enterprise for a Diverse America (LEDA) selects just 100 students to participate in a program designed to increase diversity in American leadership. Students are first invited to a summer institute, where they receive leadership training, writing instruction, and standardized test preparation, and also receive admissions and applications guidance to elite colleges, and support throughout their college and professional career.

We are so proud to announce that *two* of our students were chosen for this program, Fatima Wahidi, and Mohammad Khalaf.



Fatima Wahidi (left) and Mohammad Khalaf (right)

#### In Their Words:

"For me the most meaningful thing was forming a family with my fellow Scholars there. As they shared their stories with me, it was overwhelming

to see the strength that everyone at LEDA has, and the sacrifices that they've made in order to reach their achievements."

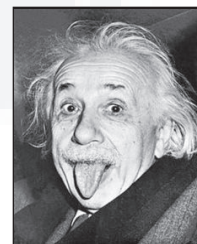
—Fatima Wahidi

"Experiencing a new environment with a close-knit community of 99 of the most interesting people was an eye-opening experience. Bringing in students from all over the country, from intensely different backgrounds, LEDA forged a brand of diversity that transcended simply racial or ethnic diversity."

—Mohammad Khalaf

### CORE VALUE IN FOCUS: Intellectual Curiosity

Collegiate School of Medicine and Bioscience encourages students' natural inquisitiveness and wonder about the world. Asking questions and taking risks is as important as searching for the right answer. With the desire and courage to move confidently into the unknown, students can adapt to an ever-changing future in pursuit of their dreams.



I have no special talent. I am only passionately curious.

—Albert Einstein

