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## **NATIONAL RECOGNITION GOES TO MCAULEY SENIORS**

Dr. Christine Melone, president/principal of Mother McAuley Liberal Arts High School announced that senior Victoria Simmons of Evergreen Park has been recognized by the College Board's National Hispanic Recognition Program and senior Megan Reed of Beverly has been chosen as an Outstanding Participant in the National Achievement Scholarship Program.

Victoria and Megan took the qualifying PSAT test on National Testing Day in October of 2006. Currently more than 196,000 test takers identified themselves as Hispanic, and more than 4,000 of those students have been recognized as National Hispanic Scholars or Honorable Mention Finalists based upon their PSAT scores and their academic achievements. Megan is one of 4,600 high school seniors who scored in the top 5 percent of more than 140,000 Black Americans who requested entry in the National Achievement Program.

The National Hispanic Recognition Program was established in 1983 to provide national recognition of the exceptional academic achievement of Hispanic high school seniors. The National Achievement Scholarship Program was initiated in 1964 to honor academically promising Black American high school students.

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