

ACADEMIC SUCCESS PROGRAM

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Conrad High School Senior chosen as Gates Millenium Scholar

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Dallas, Texas – On April 12, 2014, Conrad High School senior, Diwas Adhikari was named a Gates Millenium Scholar for the Class of 2014. Diwas was chosen from over 50,000 students who applied nationwide, advanced as one of 2,000 finalists in March 2014, and joins 1,000 other students as a Gates Millenium Scholar. The application requires a student to not only complete the lengthy application, but also be nominated and recommended by a community member and faculty member.

About Diwas Adhikari

Diwas Adhikari moved to the United States four years ago. He left his home in Nepal where he lived in a refugee camp without electricity in search of a better future. He will graduate from Emmett J. Conrad High School in the Dallas Independent School District where he excels in academically rigorous classes that include Advanced Placement and dual credit courses. He is ranked in the top 1.5% of his graduating class.

Diwas is the Co-Captain of the Varsity Tennis Team, President of the Multicultural Club, Captain of the Bhutanese Dallas Rising Soccer Club, Operator Interface Captain of the Robotics Club, Group Captain of the Scholastic Academic Decathlon Team, Group Leader of the Community Service Club, a member of the National Honor Society, and has earned the distinction of ASP Scholar by being a student leader committed to promoting a college-going culture amongst his peers.

Aside from his impressive accolades, Diwas has a strong and genuine sense of civic duty. He has volunteered over 400 hours with various community organizations. One of his most notable projects has been teaching an ESL class for elderly refugees through the Organization of Bhutanese Society. In order for refugees to become citizens and remain in the United States, they must learn to speak English. His work is an influential factor in determining whether or not a refugee gets to stay in this country.

Diwas plans to study Aerospace Engineering and dreams of working with NASA in the future. He is also one of 20 students nation-wide to be honored with the Foot Locker Scholar-Athlete Scholarship earlier this month.

About Academic Success Program

The Academic Success Program is a non-profit organization that was chosen by Dallas ISD to provide support for high school students throughout the college application, financial aid, and scholarship processes. ASP College Advisors guide students throughout the entire process – providing insight on college search and selection, recommendation letters, and ultimately helping students and their families decide which school to attend after high school graduation.

About Gates Millenium Scholars Program

The Gates Millennium Scholars (GMS) Program selects 1,000 talented students each year to receive a good-through-graduation scholarship to use at any college or university of their choice. They provide Gates Millennium Scholars with personal and professional development through our leadership programs along with academic support throughout their college career.

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