

# HIGH SIGHT

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SUMMER NEWSLETTER 2022

## Class of 2022 grads reap the rewards of hard work

Like previous classes, two-thirds of HighSight's Class of 2022 were testing below the 65th percentile when entering the program after middle school. But through hard work and the guidance and support of HighSight staff and tutors, they have gone on to achieve some amazing things:

- They had a group 3.84 GPA, more than 25% higher than their classmates;
- Like the classes before them, 100% received at least a full-tuition scholarship;
- All are headed to colleges in the top 20% nationally.

**\$225K+**  
Average scholarship for HighSight Scholars

More than **\$9.4 million** in total scholarships for all scholars

### PROJECT COLLEGE:

In addition to our four-year scholars, HighSight works with other high school students, providing college-access coaching during their senior year. 100% of the 22 students in this year's Project College cohort also received full-tuition scholarships from great colleges across the country.

#### Brother Rice High School

Jesus Reyes '22  
Wake Forest University

Edgar Valadez '22  
Wake Forest University

#### Chicago Hope Academy

Leslie Pacheco '22  
Augustana College

#### De La Salle Institute

Alexander Arroyo '22  
St. Olaf College

Javaris Conner '22  
University of Illinois

Lluvia Munoz '22  
Oberlin College

Dayanara Orellana '22  
University of Illinois

Jazzlyne Orozco '22  
DePaul University

Eddie Pedrote '22  
Augustana College

Rosa Perez '22  
Denison University

#### DePaul College Prep

Caitlyn Araujo '22  
DePaul University

#### Holy Trinity High School

Adrian Ayala '22  
St. Olaf College

Alexander Santos '22  
Juniata College

Jessica Suarez '22  
Juniata College

#### Josephinum High School

Milly Freire '22  
Illinois College

Damaris Ramos '22  
University of Illinois Chicago

#### Marist High School

Daniel Becerra '22  
St. Olaf College

#### Mother McAuley High School

Elisa Gonzalez '22  
Gettysburg College

Daisy Lara '22  
Hope College

Julissa Rojas '22  
Middlebury College

Olliyah Shaw '22  
Juniata College

#### Mount Carmel High School

Ethan Godinez '22  
Wake Forest University

#### Saint Patrick High School

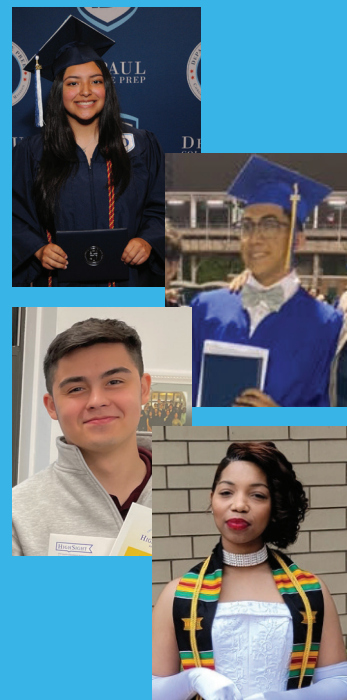
Luis Chavez '22  
Juniata College

Edgar Yuquilima '22  
St. Olaf College

#### Trinity High School

Ariel Ayala '22  
Loyola University Chicago

Alemi Rivera '22  
Wake Forest University



# Class of 2018 graduates continue to thrive

HighSight Scholars not only achieve in high school, they go on to success in college and beyond – like HighSight’s Class of 2018 graduates.

Again this year dozens of our alumni graduated from highly selective colleges across the country. Annually, HighSight alumni graduate at 7x the rate of their socioeconomic peers nationally. Bravo, HighSight Class of 2018!



**Esteban Carasquillo '18**  
Saint Patrick High School  
Eastern Illinois University  
U.S. Army (commissioned)



**Stephanie Dominguez '18**  
De La Salle Institute  
Augustana College



**Jasmin Murillo '18**  
Josephinum Academy  
Kalamazoo College



**Sparkle Whitaker '18**  
Mother McAuley Liberal Arts  
High School  
Washington University  
in St. Louis



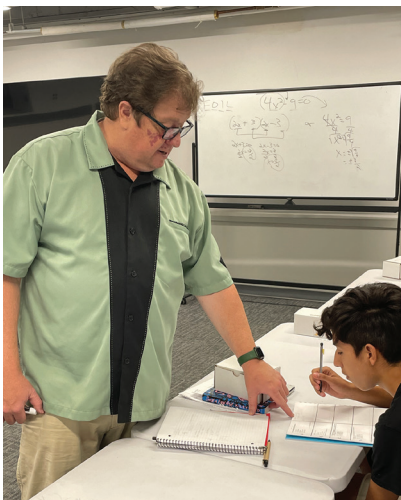
**Chris Williams '18**  
De La Salle Institute  
Gettysburg College

## SUMMER 2022

Each summer, HighSight’s weeks-long Summer Program focuses on building the academic and leadership capacity of our students, giving them an advantage in the classroom and in life.



Alumna **Sarah Herrera '16** (above; De La Salle Institute, Hope College) has joined the HighSight staff this summer, working with scholars on language arts and leadership training.



Returning HighSight staffer **Dean Sullivan** (left) has been helping students strengthen their math skills and prepare for the ACT tests this fall.



Scholars interact with many leaders over the summer, like Wake Forest University assistant dean **Susan Faust** (above) and members of **BMO Harris Bank Employee Resource Groups** (below).



# SCHOLARSHIP DINNER



After two years of online events, the annual HighSight Scholarship Dinner returned to the Chicago Cultural Center in May. Guests enjoyed an evening celebrating our Class of 2018 grads as they shared how HighSight helped them transform over the past four years.

The dinner helps provide scholarships for our students to attend private high schools throughout Chicago. **For every \$1 donated the past year, HighSight was able to generate \$17 in college scholarships for our scholars from our higher education partners.**



Class of 2018 graduates **Alemi Rivera, Danny Becerra, Edgar Valadez, and Ethan Godinez** celebrate before heading off to study at Wake Forest University and St. Olaf College this fall.



HighSight alumni **Robin Jenkins '08** and **Bryan Perez '10** flew in from Texas just for the event, pictured here with **Vicki Duhon** (center), wife of HighSight executive director Mark Duhon.



HighSight college counselor **Patty Hart** (center) huddles with **David Wagner** and **Seda Bagiryan** from St. Olaf College, one of the *Colleges That Change Lives*. Patty was recently named to the CTCL national board.

# COLLEGE VISITS

**A common experience at HighSight is college officials visiting for admissions presentations and candidate interviews with scholars. Some visitors this year included...**



## St. Olaf College

Dean of Admissions **Chris George** and HighSight alumna **Berenice Perez** shared insights with our students.



## Juniata College

Admissions counselor **Steve Simons** has made several trips to visit with HighSight scholars.

## Illinois College

Longtime admissions counselor **Jon Tomaso** and IC students met with the scholars.



## Knox College

**Dr. C. Andrew McGadney** – the first college president to visit the HighSight program – shared his vision for the college with students and staff.



# HIGH SIGHT

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HighSight provides scholarships, tutoring, mentoring, leadership development, and college-readiness programs that create new possibilities for Chicago high school students from low-income families. The HighSight experience empowers our scholars to excel in high school and graduate from selective colleges across the country.

[highsight.org](http://highsight.org)      YouTube

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## GOLF OUTING

**Friday, September 30, 2022**

9:00 AM

### George W. Dunne National Forest Preserve Golf

16310 S. Central Avenue, Oak Forest, IL

*George W. Dunne National is recognized  
by Golf Digest as one of the top  
public courses in the country*

**HOLE SPONSORSHIP [with Foursome] – \$1,500**

**FOURSOME – \$600**

**INDIVIDUAL TICKET – \$165**

Includes golf, cart, range, food, and drinks

**For details, visit [highsight.org/golf](http://highsight.org/golf)**

# EVE of the EVE

FRIDAY  
**DECEMBER 30**

*NEW LOCATION!*

**The Old Post Office**  
433 West Van Buren Street  
Chicago

**Cocktails | Heavy hors d'oeuvres**

**Dancing | Live music**

**Black tie optional**

*Benefits the HighSight Scholarship Program*

Info and tickets at [highsight.org/eve](http://highsight.org/eve)