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## **COMMENDED STUDENTS IN THE 2009 NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

The principal, Maryalice Leister, of Ohio Virtual Academy High School, announced today that senior **Kathryn Coy**, Hillsboro, Ohio, has been named a Commended Student in the 2009 National Merit Scholarship Program. A Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program, has been presented by the principal to this scholastically talented senior. Miss Coy, daughter of Mark and April Coy, is a straight A student with a 3.94 grade point average and a member of the graduating class of 2009.

About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the 2009 competition for National Merit Scholarships, Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than 1.5 million students who entered the 2009 competition by taking the 2007 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

“Recognition of academically talented students and the key role played by their schools in their development is essential to the pursuit of educational excellence in our nation,” commented a spokesperson for NMSC. “The young people named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding academic potential by their strong performance in this highly competitive program. We hope that this recognition will enhance their educational opportunities and that they will continue to diligently pursue their professional goals.”

