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OHIO STUDENTS SELECTED TO ATTEND THE 2022 NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE CAMP

The Ohio Academy of Science announced today that Ms. Sara Tulchinsky and Ms. Maya Sarikonda have been selected to represent Ohio at the 2022 National Youth Science Camp (NYSCamp). Acting as Gov. Mike DeWine's designee, The Ohio Academy of Science coordinated the selection process. Graduating seniors from across Ohio applied for the opportunity to participate as an NYSC delegate. The selection process is highly competitive and focuses on academic achievement, scientific accomplishment, and leadership qualities. "Among the NYSC's key objectives, is to inspire lifelong engagement and ethical leadership in STEM and related fields among delegates, who possess recognized high potential for follow-through and success", said Michael E. Woytek, Executive Director, The Ohio Academy of Science.

Ms. Sara Tulchinsky is a recent graduate of Dublin Coffman HS (Dublin) where she was an officer in both the National Honor Society and Key Club, and member of the Orchestra and Tennis Team. Ms. Tulchisnky successfully completed development in the Vanderbilt Program for Talented Youth Mentor Immersion in Astrophysics and the University of Pennsylvania Experimental Physics Research Academy.

Ms. Maya Sarikonda is a 2022 graduate of Sylvania Northview HS (Sylvania). A Melvin Scholar, and finalist for the International Science & Engineering Fair, Ms. Sarikonda was also the Science Olympiad Team Captain, and state competitor in Speech and Debate. Ms. Sarikonda is also an award-winning photographer.

In its 59th year, the NYSCamp is a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) camp hosted in the eastern mountains of West Virginia. Students will have an opportunity to conduct research at the nearby Green Bank Observatory and to explore the surrounding Monongahela National Forest through backpacking, mountain biking, caving, rock-climbing, and kayaking. However, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2022 National Youth Science Camp (NYSCamp) will be an entirely virtual experience. Support from the National Youth Science Foundation allows delegates to attend the NYSC program free of charge.

For more information about the NYSCamp and The Ohio Academy of Science, please visit http://www.nysf.com and http://www.nysf.com and http://www.nysf.com



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