Honolulu Student Awarded National Scholarship to Study Abroad

HONOLULU, HI — Kaitlyn King, an eleventh grader at The St Andrew’s Priory School for Girls, has been awarded a scholarship from the National Security Language Initiative for Youth (NSLI-Y) to study Korean in South Korea for the summer. During her stay in South Korea, Kaitlyn will receive formal instruction and informal language practice in an immersion environment.

Kaitlyn is one of approximately 600 competitively selected students from across the United States who will receive a scholarship to study Arabic, Chinese, Hindi, Korean, Persian, Russian, or Turkish overseas this year.

Ms. King excels in language studies, science, and math. She is president of The Priory’s Speech and Debate Team, is an award-winning student scientist, and a National Honor Student. While still early, Ms. King has her sights on several respected colleges and universities, including Vassar College, Duke University, Reed College and University of Chicago.

The goals of the NSLI-Y program include sparking a life-long interest in foreign languages and cultures, and developing a corps of young Americans with the skills necessary to advance international dialogue and cross-cultural opportunities in the private, academic, and government sectors. NSLI-Y is administered by American Councils for International Education in cooperation with AFS-USA, American Cultural Exchange Service, AMIDEAST, iEARN-USA, Legacy International, Russian American Foundation, Stony Brook University, the University of Delaware, the University of Minnesota, and the University of Wisconsin.
The St. Andrew’s Schools is located in Downtown Honolulu, adjacent to the St. Andrew’s Cathedral, the Governor’s Mansion, and the Legislature. The School was established in 1867 and is Oahu’s first all-girls school. As children’s educational needs have evolved over time, so too has The School’s focus. Queen Emma Preschool was acquired nearly 30 years ago to provide for children between two and five years of age. And most recently, in 2014, St. Andrew’s Preparatory School for Boys opened for grades K-5.

Research confirms that girls and boys develop and learn at different rates. The St. Andrew’s Schools’ progressive educational programs are designed specifically with these differences in mind. The result of a single-gender setting at St. Andrew’s includes the development of confident, competent learners, with the skills needed to succeed. One hundred percent of The St. Andrew’s Schools students go on to college. And over $27 million in college scholarships has been earned in the last nine years. In addition to a rigorous curriculum, enhanced by arts, music, theatre and athletics, The St. Andrew’s Schools promotes hands-on, project-based and experiential learning, leadership, and community service.

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