

Violin Studio of Elbert Tsai

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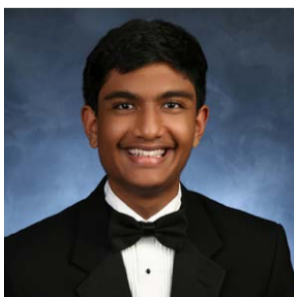
Dear Students and Parents, please join me in congratulating the five seniors graduating from high school this spring and moving on to college. I will dearly miss each and every one, and certainly wish them all the best!



Lucy Nemeth is an 18-year-old violinist from Oakland, CA. She is a member of the Brienz Quartet at Young Chamber Musicians in Burlingame, and was previously appointed

concertmaster of the Young People's Symphony Orchestra where she also won their concerto competition. Lucy will attend the Schulich School of Music at McGill University in Toronto and study with Professor Axel Strauss.

Matthew Sakiyama is a senior at the Nueva School. He has won first prize in numerous local and national competitions including Pacific Musical Society, USIMC, US Open, and ENKOR. This summer, he has been accepted to Carnegie Hall's National Youth Orchestra for the fourth consecutive year. Matthew will attend Harvard University.



Anay Koorapaty started violin at the age of five and has performed and recorded music at George Lucas' Skywalker Ranch and Disney's Performing Arts Studio. He has also played tennis since the

age of five and was featured on his varsity team for four years. Anay will attend the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign where he will study electrical engineering.

Avyay Koorapaty

plays violin and flute, having first joined an orchestra in the 4th grade, and marching band in 5th grade. He led a string quartet as part of the Saratoga High School Marching Band's "Timeless" field

show that won the Sierra Cup Classic and numerous awards for musical and visual performance. He played varsity tennis for four years, and will attend the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign where he will study electrical engineering.



Josiah de la Motte graduated from Compass Charter

Homeschool in June of 2020. In the fall, he will enroll at the San Francisco

Conservatory of Music, where he will work towards a Bachelor's of Music degree in violin performance under the instruction of Chen Zhao. Josiah's other interests include genealogy and military history.



Summer Festivals 2021

Yuli Choi - Carnegie Hall NYO2

Matthew Sakiyama - Carnegie Hall NYO-USA

Riona Zhu - Heifetz Program for the Exceptionally Gifted (PEG)

Samantha Cheunkarndee - Philadelphia International Music Festival (PIMF)

Joshua Cisneros - Interlochen Center for the Arts

Ryan Wu - Interlochen Center for the Arts

Lucy Nemeth - Bowdoin Music Festival