

Yale University

Salutes Outstanding Students from Naugatuck High School

Chosen by their schools, these young men and women
embody the tremendous achievements and possibilities of our community youth.



Jacqueline Brenia

Daughter of Bruce and Jeanne Brenia
of Naugatuck.

- Currently attends Fairfield University
- Class rank 12 out of 323, G.P.A. 3.7
- Volleyball (captain), First Team All-N.V.L.
- Senior class vice president
- National Honor Society, treasurer
- National Army Reserve Scholar Athlete
- Volleyball Most Outstanding Leader
- Who's Who Among American H.S. Students
- Girls' State
- Top 5% of class
- C.C.D. teacher
- Ski club
- Major: nursing
- Career Goal: nurse practitioner



Maribeth Ford

Daughter of Terence and Teresa Ford
of Naugatuck.

- Currently attends Iona College
- Class rank 15 out of 323, G.P.A. 3.66
- National Honor Society, vice president
- Interact club, president
- C.I.A.C. Scholar Athlete
- CT Swimming Scholar Athlete
- Swimming (captain), All-N.V.L.
- Softball (captain), All-N.V.L.
- Fairfield University Book Award
- Yearbook, editor
- Peer tutor
- Wendy's High School Heisman nominee
- Major: mass communications
- Career Goal: graphic communications



Shayma Jannat

Daughter of Shahabuddin and Peara
Ahmed of Naugatuck.

- Currently attends the College of William
and Mary
- Class rank 5 out of 323, G.P.A. 4.0
- Rotary Four-Way Speech Contest, CT
Champion
- American Legion Medal
- Naugatuck Exchange Club Youth of the Year
- National Honor Society
- National Honor Student Award
- Student Council
- Girls' State
- Major: English, international relations
- Career Goal: judicial lawyer or international
diplomat



Christopher B. Marotta

Son of Tammy and William Fleischer
and Chris Marotta of Oxford.

- Currently attends Rensselaer Polytechnic
Institute
- Class rank 3 out of 323, G.P.A. 4.1
- Eagle Scout
- Class essayist
- Naugatuck Chamber Singers
- Marching band, low brass section leader
- Literary magazine, business editor
- National Honor Society
- Sigma XI Scientific Research Society Best
Science Student Award
- Major: chemistry
- Career Goal: research work for an acclaimed
chemical company

Alexander Areias

Son of Frances Areias and Jose Areias
of Naugatuck.

- Currently attends the University of
Connecticut
- Class rank 14 out of 323, G.P.A. 3.7
- National Honor Society
- Cross country, All-N.V.L.
- Rotary Youth Leadership Award
- Top 5% of class
- Honor roll
- Swimming
- Track and field
- Bible school, volunteer
- Major: engineering
- Career Goal: mechanical engineering

Visar Tasimi

Son of Donika Tasimi and Tasim Tasimi
of Naugatuck.

- Currently attends the University of
Connecticut
- Class rank 11 out of 323, G.P.A. 3.8
- Marching band, drum major
- Tennis team, captain
- Boys' State
- National Honor Society
- Major: finance



Ainissa Ramirez, director of Science Saturdays and assistant professor of mechanical engineering, plans the series with colleagues Erin Lavik, biomedical engineer, and Priya Natarajan, astronomer/physicist.

Science Saturdays

Fascinating, free science programs will be offered at Yale for students in grades 7-12 in Davies Auditorium, 15 Prospect Street, 10:30-noon. These programs are open to all.

October 7: Iona Black, Chemist, *Having Good Chemistry: Formation and Analysis of Compounds*

October 14: Meg Urry, Astronomer, *How Astronomers Discovered the Universe is Flying Apart Faster and Faster*

October 21: Ann Valentine, Chemist, *Medical Metals*

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