

Winburn seventh-grader selected as a Bevan Scholar

Valerie Sarge, a Winburn Middle School seventh-grader, is one of 21 students across the nation named as a [Bevan Scholar](#) through Duke University's Talent Identification Program.

Bevan Scholars have distinguished themselves from nearly 74,000 gifted students who participated in the 2009 seventh-grade talent search. This award goes to the students who earn the highest scores on the SAT or ACT, placing them in the 99.98 percentile of Duke TIP participants.

On the ACT, Valerie had a 34 in science, 34 in math, 35 in English and a 34 composite score. A perfect score is 36.

Valerie will receive a full scholarship to the [Duke TIP](#) Center for Summer Studies. During the three-week residential session, she can take one course of her choice – usually covering the equivalent of a full year of high school material.