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DSHS "Top 10" Seniors Announced

The Dripping Springs High School list of "Top 10" students by academic rank for the Class of 2016 has been announced by Principal Joe Burns.

The top-ranked senior and valedictorian for the Class of 2016 is Insiya Aziz. The second-ranked student is Ashni Clayton and the third-ranked student is Hayden Anderson. Because Ashni has only been enrolled in Dripping Springs High School for three semesters and DSISD Board policy requires a minimum of four semesters for a student to be named valedictorian or salutatorian, Anderson will serve as this year's salutatorian. Other students ranked among the top 10 are (in order): Evan Gabrielsen, Darrell Adams, Trey Boehm, Tricia Thomas, Seiler Hess, Eric Kiehnau and Amy Wierzbowski. Gabrielsen also was a National Merit finalist.

All 10 students carried an overall weighted grade point average of 104 or higher.

"Dripping Springs High School offers a rigorous academic experience that challenges students in many ways," said Mr. Burns. "These seniors obviously have been highly committed to meeting those challenges through consistent performance while taking advanced coursework.

"It also should be noted that most of these students have achieved excellence in many extracurricular activities at DSHS, including music, debate and athletics," he added. "They are leaders both on and off our campus and we are very proud of their accomplishments."

The students will be honored during Senior Awards Night May 24 and at the Dripping Springs High School Graduation June 3.