



## Davidson Fellow Amyie Vuong

(\$10,000 Scholarship Recipient)



### Personal Info

Amyie Vuong

Age: 17

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

### School, College and Career Plans

Amyie begins her senior year at Classen School of Advanced Studies this fall. Her career plans include her passion - medical research - although she is uncertain about which field. She is interested in attending a college or university with a large research facility and is investigating all of her options.

### Davidson Fellows Submission (*Science*)

In her project, *Autoimmunity and Cancer*, Amyie investigated the linkage of autoimmunity and cancer, significantly bridging the gap between the two by assessing the possibility that autoantigens may be responsible for an increased risk of cancer. Her research sheds new light on one group of cancer and could potentially lead researchers closer to a cure.

### Biography

Amyie was born and raised in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. She is enrolled in the International Baccalaureate (IB) program, and all of her classes are advanced IB courses, including physics and biology. Amyie wants to further examine the connections between physics and biology. She intends to earn an IB diploma next fall.

Amyie is a member of the French Club and Young Republicans. She is also an active member of the Key Club, which is a volunteer organization whose members assist local nonprofits and visit nursing homes.

Camp Comet is the summer preparatory session for new, sixth-grade students entering the Classen School of Advanced Studies that fall. Amyie is co-director of Camp Comet and helps these youngsters learn how to adjust to the rigorous academic demands of the school. Ambassador Corps is the continuation of Camp Comet as each new student is assigned a mentor through their first year at the school. Amyie is vice president of Ambassador Corps.

Amyie enjoys playing the piano and fencing.

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**Honors/Awards**

- 2002 Davidson Fellow (September)
- 2002 Regional Science and Engineering Fair, First Place
- 2002 State Science Fair and Engineering Fair, Fourth Place
- 2001 State Regents Award

**Community Activities**

Through Americorps, Amyie has been trained and certified to team teach at local community groups and schools about AIDS and HIV.

Amyie volunteers at St. Anthony's Hospital and is a member of a local Girl Scout Troop. She is in her church youth group and plays keyboard in the church band.

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