Christopher Gilbert

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Senior at Greely High School interested in physics, math, programming, and music. Pursuing Quantum Information Science and Computational Physics at MIT class of 2029.

Experience

- Author | Quantum Mechanics for Kids: a Humorous, Easy-to-Read, Math-Free Book on a Very Perplexing Subject | 2019 | Goodreads
- Wolfram Summer Research Program | Novel Minimal Universal Classical and Quantum Gates | 2024 | Project | Paper
- Wolfram Emerging Leaders Program | Year-long intense mathematical research on a student team studying functional roots | 2024–2025 | Project
- **Programming Adventures** | Weekly collaborative think-tank sessions, assisting in solving problems in topics such as neural networks and recursive functions.
- World Science Scholar | Completed two years of challenging coursework in topics such as general relativity, computational analysis, and evolutionary medicine | 2021–2024
- MIT Beaverworks Summer Institute | Quantum Software | 2023 | Presentation
- University of Waterloo Quantum School for Young Students | 2021

Awards and Honors

- Nonfiction Authors Association Book Award | Silver Medal | 2019
- Rise for the World | Global Finalist | for Creating STEM Communication Videos | 2023
- XVII Golden Key International Piano Composition Competition | "For Lewiston" | 2023
- Sempre Musick Winter Serenade Competition | 1st Place | 2024 | Organ Performance at Methuen Memorial Hall
- National History Day in Maine | Year-long research projects for the National History Day Competition:
 - Leo Szilard and the Atomic Bomb | 1st place website | 2019
 - George Lemaitre and the Big Bang Theory | 1st place website | 2020
 - Claude Shannon and Information Theory | 2nd place website | 2021
 - Bohr, Einstein, and the Debate of Modern Physics | 1st place paper | 2022
- Samsung Solve for Tomorrow Challenge | 1st in Maine, winning \$14,000 for GHS | Treating water for PFAS chemicals | 2023

- Kotzschmar Memorial Trust Music Scholarship | For Organ Performance | 2023
- National Merit Scholarship Winner | 2025
- Presidential Scholars Candidate | 2025
- National Latin Exam | Gold Medal | 2024
- All Eastern Honor Choir | 2022
- Maine Celebration of Young Musicians for Organ Performance | 2019
- Children's Choir PortOpera's production of Carmen | 2018
- 3M Discovery Education Young Scientists Lab Competition | 1st in Maine | 2018

Service and Extracurriculars

- Mentor | Junior World Science Scholars | 2023–2024
- Junior World Science Scholars Workshop Presenter | "Quantum Computing: Using Physics to Exponentially Increase Computing Power" | 2023
- Author Talks and YouTube Channel | On topics like quantum mechanics, calculus, artificial intelligence, and more; to spark curiosity for math and science in kids and in everyone | 2019–2024
- Guest Organist | Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, Lewiston, Maine | 2023–2025 | Recording
- Psalterium Institute of Maine Chamber Choir | 2023–2025
- Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul Choir | 2023–2025
- Musical Volunteer | Brentwood Rehab Center | 2023–2025