

## Ashwini Gokhale

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### Education

S.B. Expected June 2013; Major: EE&CS; Minor: Economics and Public Policy; MIT, Cambridge  
High School Diploma: May 2009      GPA: 4.0/4.0      Richwoods High School, Peoria, IL  
ACT: 35/36; Writing: 12/12      SAT II (Chem.): 800/800      SAT II (Math Level 2): 800/800

### Honors and Awards

- 2009 National Merit Scholar (based on PSAT and SAT scores, and other measures)
- 2009 Cassini Scientist for a Day Winner; competition sponsored by NASA and JPL
- 2009 Richwoods High School Awards: John B. Hall Trophy for overall best student,
  - Illinois State Scholar, Petit Trophy for Tennis, Math award, Key Club award, Top Ten.
- Advanced Placement (AP) Scholar: Grade of “5” (highest score possible) on all exams
  - English Literature, English Language, Spanish, Psychology (May 2009);
  - Calculus BC, AB Sub-score, and Chemistry (May 2008); U.S. History (May 2007)
- 2008 Rensselaer Medal Award (one per high school) for Mathematics and Science
- 2008 Worldwide Youth in Sci and Engg: Chemistry – 1<sup>st</sup> in Sectionals, 6<sup>th</sup> in State
- 2007 Kikkoman Youth for Understanding National Merit-based Scholarship to Japan
  - One of three full-scholarships of \$6,995 each for summer with host family
  - Promote cross-cultural skills and international understanding during six-week stay
- 2006 Honorable Mention in U.S. Foreign Service Essay Contest; Placed in the Top 25
- 2003–05 Regional (4-county) and McLean County Pentagraph Spelling Bee Champion
  - Ranked 37<sup>th</sup> at the National Spelling Bee (2005); 71<sup>st</sup> (2004); 84<sup>th</sup> (2003)
  - Total of \$2500 in U.S. Treasury Bonds; Three all-expense paid trips to Washington, D.C.
- 2004 Service to the School Award (one per grade level); Parkside Junior High, Normal
- 2003 Nicholas Green Distinguished Student Award recipient for the State of Illinois
  - \$500 U.S. Treasury Bond awarded by the National Association for Gifted Children
- 2002 Young Author award for the State of Illinois
- 2001 1<sup>st</sup> Place Winner in Earth Day Essay Contest; sponsor: Ecology Action Center
  - \$100 Target gift card award

### Leadership and Service

- Communications Committee (2009); Undergraduate Association at MIT
- Executive Board, Freshman Representative (2009); Global Poverty Initiative
- Facilities Coordinator (2009); McCormick Hall (Dormitory) at MIT
- President (2008–09); Vice President (2007–08); Officer (2006–07): Key Club
- News Editor (2008–09); News Reporter (2007–08): School Newspaper, The Shield
- Vice President (2007–09) Spanish Club: Managed and planned club activities
- OSF Hospital Volunteer: Over 60 hours each summer, 2006 and 2008
- Student Council Representative (2006–09): Organize school events like Homecoming

### Extracurricular Activities

- 2006–09 Varsity Tennis: Placed in top 2 in various “invite” tournaments
- 2006–09 Varsity Speech Team: Impromptu Tournament Champion: Conference (2008); Wo
- 2002–09 Viola player: IL Music Educators Assoc. 8<sup>th</sup> Chair (2008); 12<sup>th</sup> (2007); 10<sup>th</sup> (2006)
- 2006–09 Varsity Scholastic Bowl: Team Placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Metamora Tournament (2008)
- 2008 Summer Internship with Chicago Pneumatic; Engg & Marketing Dept