Swara Chokshi

EDUCATION

2018-2022

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM AT PRINCESS ANNE HIGH SCHOOL Weighted GPA: 4.732 | Unweighted GPA: 4.00 | Class rank: 1/400 | SAT: 1550 Virginia Beach, VA

- IB Coursework: IB Biology HL I and II, IB Mathematics HL I and II, IB English 11 HL, IB English 12 HL, IB European History HL, IB 20th Century Topics HL, IB Psychology, IB Latin 6
- AP Coursework: AP Chemistry, AP Biology, AP Psychology, AP Environmental Science, AP Physics, AP Statistics, AP Computer Science A, AP Computer Science Principles, AP U.S. Government, AP Human Geography, AP Latin, AP Microeconomics, AP Macroeconomics
- AP Scholar with Distinction
- National Merit Semifinalist

Honors

2021 • 1st Place Winner (International), The Lancet Global Health Best Student Poster Competition, \$500 prize. Accepted to and presented at Consortium of Universities for Global Health conference. 2021 2021 1st Place Winner (National), Congressional App Challenge, invited to present at U.S. Capitol. 2020 - 2021 • Gold (National), The President's Volunteer Service Award. • 1st Place Winner (Regional), Academic WorldQuest Competition, selected for national competition. 2018 - 2021 2018 - 2021 • 1st Place Winner (Regional), 2nd Place Winner (State), Virginia High School League Scholastic Bowl. • 1st Place Winner (State), Youth Alcohol & Drug Abuse Prevention Project Wheeler Award, \$750 grant. 2020 1st Place Winner (Regional), PTA Reflections Photography Competition. 2020

2020

Virginian Pilot Scholastic Achievement Honoree.

2020

- Accepted to and attended Harvard UNICEF Conference.
- 2018 2019 2018 - 2019
- Accepted through audition and performed as a violinist in Senior Regional Orchestra in VA District II. 1st Place Winner (Regional), Taste of India Musical Instruments, Public Speaking, and Rangoli Art
 - Competitions.

EXPERIENCE

2019 - present

EASTERN VIRGINIA MEDICAL SCHOOL (EVMS) Intern

- Founded and developed a novel, global health, Java-based mobile application, Wellvoyage, to assist medical professionals while traveling internationally; this product is copyright-pending and in the process of being acquired by EVMS.
- Conducted translational research alongside physicians and medical students to develop a Hispanic/Latinx community-based educational intervention to address health disparities in malignant melanoma; research abstract is in the process of submission for possible publication.
- Worked with Dr. Claudia Cadet, M.D. (Neonatologist) and Dr. Alexandra Leader, M.D. (Pediatric Emergency Physician), founders of the Manos de Ramon non-profit organization, to aid in activities that address the neonatal and maternal mortality crisis in Latin American low-resource settings by training local health care providers; redeveloped the website for this NGO.
- Facilitated first-ever, 4-week-long EVMS Summer Health Academy to provide immersive medical exposure to underprivileged high school students.

2021 - present

SENTARA VIRGINIA BEACH GENERAL HOSPITAL AND CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF THE KINGS DAUGHTERS Physician Shadowing

- Shadowed Dr. Deepak Talreja, M.D. (Interventional Cardiologist); Dr. Rana Khan, M.D. (Pulmonologist); Dr. Shobha Mendu, M.D. (Gastroenterologist); and Dr. Alexandra Leader, M.D. (Pediatric Emergency Physician) in the catheterization lab, ICU, outpatient area, and ED.
- Observed medical rounds and several procedures, including pacemaker implant, angioplasty, aortic stenosis, atherectomy, AED shock delivery, intubation, central line placement, colonoscopy, endoscopy, ultrasound, x-ray, and newborn exam.

• Worked 10-hour shifts viewing physicians attending to 30+ patients daily.

2018 - present

SENTARA PRINCESS ANNE HOSPITAL

Volunteer

- Assisted ambulation for geriatric stroke patients; attended to inpatient phone calls and requests; facilitated in discharging patients; provided 500+ patient greeting cards.
- Aided nursing staff in providing clinical care; stocked medical supply inventory.

2018 - present

TEEN ADVISORY GROUP AT VIRGINIA BEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY

Volunteer

• Led group meetings; planned 30+ educational workshops; organized senior appreciation events; implemented Math Mates program to spark a mathematical interest in youth; facilitated 4 city-wide summer reading programs; received Debra L. Elam Outstanding Volunteer Award.

LEADERSHIP

2019 - present

Mayor's Youth Leaders In Action

Vice President

- Selected as 1 of 20 excelling middle/high school students from the entire City of Virginia Beach to be a part of this youth-led organization supervised by the Mayor's office.
- Served as a youth representative in School Board, City Council, Children's Hospitals for the King's Daughters Committee, Pastor's Leaders Roundtable, and Youth Alcohol & Drug Prevention Project.
- Developed 4 newsletters promulgated in the district and praised by Mayor Bobby Dyer.
- Founded and coordinated various initiatives, including the "Be Smart Don't Start" program, which educates youth in the Greater Hampton Roads region about substance abuse prevention.
- Cultivated partnerships with 24 organizations; led biweekly meetings; won Coordinator's Award 2x.

2019 - present

MEDICAL AND ANATOMY CLUB AT OLD DONATION SCHOOL FOR THE GIFTED AND TALENTED Founder and President

- Communicated with the principal and student activities coordinator to propose and spearhead the club with the intent of stimulating an interest in medicine for youth at an early age.
- Self-created educationally enriching lesson plans, presentations, surveys, and hands-on activities.
- Solely instructed 50 gifted middle school students about various medical topics, such as the brain, memory, eyes, heart, blood, vaccines, viruses, etc., in an interactive manner in monthly meetings.

2018 - present

MEDICAL CLUB AT PRINCESS ANNE HIGH SCHOOL

President

- Initiated and executed distribution of COVID care cards to 150+ hospitals globally and in 50 U.S.
 States; featured on the front page of Virginian-Pilot Newspaper, WTKR TV News Channel, and radio
- Created 3D-printed face masks and supplied them to local physicians and healthcare facilities.

2018 - present

Mu Alpha Theta Honor Society

Secretary

- Coordinated and initiated a city-wide mathematics tutoring program for low-resource students.
- Tutored students for American Mathematics Competition (AMC) in weekly sessions.
- Organized and led three annual, school-wide Pi Day events.

2019 - present

SCIENCE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Treasurer

- Inducted 58 students into the honor society.
- Managed financial planning, budgeting, and fundraising efforts.

PERSONAL

- Interests: Freelance graphic design (rendered 200+ digital products to 18 organizations), Piano (2010-present), Violin (2016-present), Bharatnatyam Dance (2010-present), Pencil Sketching, Self-established pickle business, 3D cardmaking
- Computer Skills: Mobile App Development, Java, CSS, HTML, Wix, MS Office Suite, G Suite
- Languages: (Trilingual) English, Gujarati, Hindi