

## Worley to attend National Young Scholars program

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Holyoke third-grader Rylan Worley will be among a group of high achieving elementary school students who will take part in the National Young Scholars Program (NYSP) at University of Denver in July.

Held on campuses across the United States, NYSP inspires outstanding third-, fourth- and fifth-grade students to explore, invent, learn and think creatively.

“The National Young Scholars Program provides students with the opportunity to engage in hands-on interactive learning, while challenging them in an intellectually stimulating environment outside of the regular classroom,” said Dr. Marguerite C. Regan, dean of Academic Affairs for the program.

NYSP gives students the chance to unleash their full learning potential as they further their interest in specific areas of study such as engineering, forensic science and medicine. Throughout the program, young students engage in challenging coursework, gain a greater sense of independence and experience a renaissance of learning. The program culminates with student-created projects tying in leadership skills learned with the discoveries made in their specific area of study.

Activities such as embarking on a fascinating journey into the human body and solving a “whodunit” through work in a model forensics lab are just two highlights of the innovative curriculum. Simulation activities and role-play encourage scholars to develop their leadership skills, while introducing them to the concepts of team building, problem solving, public speaking and goal setting.

“NYSP taps into the natural curiosity that students at this young age already have,” said Regan. “This program will help them continue down a path toward a lifelong love of learning.”

NYSP is dedicated to identifying, inspiring and honoring the nation’s most promising elementary school students. The program is comprised of highly successful practitioners in the field of elementary education who boast more than 25 years of experience in implementing successful education programs for students.

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Worley is the son of Michael and Dawn Worley.

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