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Summit Christian Graduates First International Student

Lee's Summit, May 18, 2011 - Four years ago as a freshman, Summit Christian Academy (SCA) senior Chi Young Moon did not know he was blazing a trail.

As the first international graduate from SCA, Chi initiated a program rich in cultural diversity to the school.

Chi is an only child from South Korea who lives with his aunt and uncle in Lee's Summit. Chi's parents sent him to the United States to provide him with more opportunities and an education. He is a quick learner and picked up the English language within a few months.

Chi's family was instrumental in the development of the international program at SCA. Linda Harrelson, SCA Head Administrator, said.

"Chi Young's family approached SCA about bringing him to our school because of the combination of our excellent academics and strong biblical foundation".

Once approved by the Student and Exchange Visitor Program, SCA accepted Chi Young as a student. Since that time, SCA has hosted 18 students with a current international enrollment of 14 from South Korea, China, and Uganda.

"Chi immediately felt accepted and loved at his new school. He also obtained a great mentor and friend in his Bible teacher, Mr. Stam." Pamela Yi, Chi's aunt said.

Chi has excelled at Summit Christian Academy, scoring a 33 out of a possible 36 on his college admissions ACT test. He has a 4.08 GPA while taking College Algebra, College Calculus, College English, College Spanish IV, and College Western Civilization. He graduated with 33 dual college credit hours. He received 2 academic letters, has been a member of the National Honor Society for 2 years, a member of the Student Government 2 years, and has participated in drama for 4 years.

Chi Young Moon loves outer space and plans to attend the Illinois Institute of Technology majoring in Aerospace/Mechanical Engineering.

Summit Christian Academy (SCA) is a nondenominational Christian school serving 700 students. Phenomenal growth and unprecedented support from the community have enabled the school to be distinguished as a leader of private Christian education in the Midwest region for 21 years. Located on a 36-acre campus, SCA enjoys two facilities housing preschool through high school students. SCA is dually accredited through North Central Association and Association of Christian Schools International. Students participate in the Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA).

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