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SAINT THOMAS ACADEMY'S BOCKSTRUCK RECEIVES LILLEHEI HEART INSTITUTE SUMMER RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP

MENDOTA HEIGHTS, Minn., April 12, 2011 – Saint Thomas Academy announced today that T. Bockstruck '11 has received a summer research scholarship in cardiovascular medicine from The Lillehei Heart Institute at the University of Minnesota. The full-time, 10-week summer scholarship/internship program exposes a limited number of high school and undergraduate students to several disciplines within cardiovascular medicine.

Bockstruck said, "I applied for the summer scholars program at The Lillehei Institute at the University of Minnesota because I was looking for an interesting way to spend my summer that would provide me with experience as well as some money for college. [Saint Thomas Academy Science Instructor] Dr. Pearce told me all about the program, and it immediately struck my interest as I hope to go to medical school and become a doctor. This experience should help prepare me for my aspired career. At the time, I had no idea how well-respected and selective the program is, which now makes it all the more gratifying to be involved."

As part of the program, Bockstruck will focus on an intensive basic or clinical research from his assigned laboratory and faculty mentors. In addition, he will be introduced to clinical, industrial, and academic medicine through a variety of field trips, seminars and hands-on experiences. Weekly seminars led by faculty and industry leaders will provide a look at various career opportunities in cardiovascular science and medicine.

About Saint Thomas Academy

Founded in 1885, Saint Thomas Academy is an all-male, college preparatory, Catholic, military/leadership school committed to preparing young men to succeed in college and in life. Nationally accredited by the Independent Schools Association of the Central States (ISACS), the academy challenges young men to excel academically, spiritually, morally and physically in and out of the classroom. For more information, please visit www.cadets.com.

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