Civics in Action Award 2010 Recipient



Samuel Curtis Ingalls Mandeville, LA

Samuel Curtis Ingalls, a student at Mandeville High School in St. Tammany Parish, is a "natural born leader and thrives on being involved in activities where he can learn more about government in action," says his honors civics teacher and nominator Alice Couvillon.

As a transfer student from Chicago, Ingalls started school this year at Mandeville High and soon joined numerous clubs and committees. He is a member of Hi-Y, the football team, the jazz band, the wrestling team, the Student Council and the Life on Purpose Club. He gained so much respect from his peers so quickly that he was elected president of the sophomore class.

He has a grade point average of 4.7. As a member of Hi-Y, he was elected to the position of Speaker of the House of the Louisiana Youth Legislators Board and won the Monice Oliphant Award for Best Legislator and Delegate at the 2010 Louisiana Legislature Conference. He was selected to be the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) ambassador from Mandeville High School and was chosen to be a representative from Louisiana at the YMCA Conference for National Affairs. This summer, he will serve as a page in the United States Senate Page Program, nominated by Sen. David Vitter.



Representative Frank Hoffmann and Samuel Ingalls