

EAST HIGH SENIOR PICKED FOR SCHOOL BOARD

Student rep: Spent summer with scholars at Princeton

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AURORA -- Senior Roberto Saenz has been selected as the new student representative on the East Aurora School Board.

Saenz is an honor student at East High and spent this summer immersed in the Junior Statesman Summer Scholars Program at Princeton University. There, Saenz and several hundred other top achievers from around the country learned about politics, government and leadership from a variety of experts -- including ambassadors to the United Nations.

"Princeton was amazing," Saenz said. "My experience not only made me a better leader, it also made me a better human being."

Saenz is a leader at East High, according to East Aurora spokesman Clayton Muhammad.

He is active in class council, the Thespian Society and Honors Jazz Band, among others, and volunteers in the community through his church.

Saenz will take his place on the School Board to start his one-year term on Monday. He will not be allowed to vote and will not participate in executive decisions, but will get to advise the board on issues pertaining to the student body.