



Ben Davis valedictorian headed to Harvard on full-ride scholarship



The reserved personality of Chastity Li belies a tremendous amount of accomplishment — especially for a recent high school graduate.

Chastity was the 2014 valedictorian for Ben Davis High School, with a 5.1 weighted grade point average. Now, she is looking forward to attending Harvard University, all expenses paid.

“The news actually came a few days after my birthday,” says Chastity. “I was not expecting it to come out until later in March, but it was a wonderful surprise birthday present. I think I read the letter twice, just to make sure that it was real. I then called my dad to tell him the news. My hands were shaking for the rest of the day.”

Chastity hopes to major in chemistry at Harvard, with a possible minor in math to prepare for a career in chemical engineering or medicine.

The Harvard-bound grad says her time at Ben Davis has prepared her well for the future.

“I think the most important thing I learned while at Ben Davis,” she says, “is *how* to learn.”