The Young Achiever Award (YAA) is one of the flagship programs of CIE/USA-DFW Chapter. The YAA is designed to encourage the younger generation of CIE members to achieve high academic performance, develop leadership skills, develop strong interest in science and engineering, and excel in extracurricular and community volunteer activities to enable them to achieve the greatest possible impact in our community. These well-rounded skills will enable them become strong leaders in this very competitive global market place.

CIE/USA-DFW is honored to have the professionals from various industries to serve as judges in selecting the YAA recipients. All the 18 award recipients were recognized to be truly outstanding based on their extraordinary achievements in academic performance, demonstration of exemplary leadership and voluntary involvement in community activities.

Impressive accolades of the 2014 award recipients include:

- Intel International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF) - 3rd Place
- National Chemistry Olympiad - Finalist
- 1st place - DECA International Development Career Conference (2013 and 2014)
- International Sustainable World Energy, Engineering, Environment Project award (ISWEEEP) 4th Award with $2000 Engineering Scholarship
- Exxon Mobil Texas Science and Engineering Fair - 1st place and 5th place
- Siemens Competition – Semifinalist
- 1st Place - UIL Mathematics
- Robert Avalon International Competition for Composers, MTNA, TMTA, Winner
- One recipient has perfect SAT or ACT score
- Three recipient have class rankings of top three in their respective schools.
- Winner of 2014 First Future Innovator Award
- Grand Prize Austin Energy Regional Science Fair
- Texas Swimming UIL All-District Team (2013, 2014)
- Austin Symphony Orchestra Performance of Original Composition in April 2014
- Publication in Green Materials Scientific Journal

The major corporate sponsors of the 2014 YAA are Texas Instruments, Oncor Electric Delivery and Lockheed Martin. The YAA trophies and scholarship will be presented to the recipients during the evening banquet of the CIE/USA-DFW Annual Convention on Saturday, August 16th, 2014 at the Renaissance Hotel in Richardson, Texas.
2014 Young Achiever Award Recipients

Eileen Bau
Frisco Liberty High School

Elise Cai
Jasper High School

Marylin Cai
Plano Senior High School

Allen Chen
Plano West Senior High School

Caroline Gao
Plano West Senior High School

Amy Huang
Allen High School

Lyndon Huang
Jasper High School

Lori Jia
Hockaday School

Dara Li
Jasper High School

Alexander Lu
Texas Academy of Math and Science

Eric Sun
Allen High School

Elizabeth Tian
Plano West Senior High School

Brian Wei
Jasper High School

Kevin Wei
Greenhill School

Heather Xiao
Hockaday School

Joshua Yue
Jasper High School

Cecilia Zhou
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Victoria Zhou
Plano West Senior High School