



Magnetic Force

March/April 2021

Senior News!

I'm taking my talents to...

Seniors, we'd like to know your after High School plans!

COLLEGE WORK MILITARY

Thursday April 29th:

- F2F STUDENTS join us in the Cafeteria during lunch to tell us your plans and receive a sweet treat
- VIRTUAL STUDENTS call us on Zoom during lunch to tell us your plans. <http://bit.ly/commitday>
- EVERYONE post your plan & photo on our Senior Commitment Board. <http://bit.ly/21kmhs>

Wear your future spirit wear shirt to school!

Senior Commitment Day

Thursday, April 29th during lunch whether you are F2F or virtual, we hope you will participate! Undecided seniors should complete this short form so we may assist with options: <https://bit.ly/undec2021>

Senior Clearance

All seniors must complete the Graduation Survey in Naviance by April 29th to be cleared for graduation. Please also report all scholarship offers (excluding HOPE/Zell) by April 26th. Also, seniors must request a final transcript to send to the post-secondary institution they will attend; collegiate athletes must also send a transcript to the appropriate athletic organization (NCAA, NAIA).

Senior Clearance

To be cleared by the Counseling Office for graduation, please complete the following items by the deadlines indicated.

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COMPLETE CLASS OF 2021 GRADUATION SURVEY IN NAVIANCE

ALL seniors must complete this!

Login to your Naviance account from the KMHS website under "Find it Fast" using your Office 365 credentials or through <https://tinyurl.com/CCSDNaviance>

On your Naviance homepage, under "Important To Do's and Tasks", click on:

- Class of 2021 Graduation Survey
- Then click on "take this survey"

To complete this task, you need to [take this survey](#).

NOTE: when completing Graduation Survey:

- In Step 2: mark the admissions decision for each college to which you applied. If a college you applied to is not listed, there is an option to add schools.
- In Step 3: leave the "Scholarships" info blank. Scholarship info must be submitted at <http://bit.ly/21schol>

SHOW US THE MONEY!

Have you received scholarship offers or an Academy Appointment? If yes, please submit all offers received, including those you do not plan to use. If you have received a full-ride and plan to use it, be sure to indicate that as well. Why? Each high school submits this info to the Superintendent's office and we want you to be recognized!

Submit offers at <http://bit.ly/21schol>

REQUEST YOUR FINAL TRANSCRIPT


Submit final transcript request at <http://bit.ly/21final>





You must request a FINAL transcript to send to the institution you plan to attend. Collegiate athletes, if you need one for NCAA or NAIA you must request it to be sent.


Various Senior
End-of-Year


FROM THE KMHS COUNSELORS


Info for Seniors


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COMMITMENT BOARD
 We want to celebrate your after high school plans! Share your name, photo and where you are committing to your plans at <http://bit.ly/2lkmhs> 

FINAL TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS
 Submit **final transcript** requests at <http://bit.ly/2lfinal> 
 You must request a FINAL transcript for the institution you plan to attend. Collegiate athletes, if you need one for NCAA or NAIA you must request it to be sent.

UNDECIDED SENIORS
 If you are undecided on your plans after high school, please complete this form so we may assist you with options: <https://bit.ly/undec2021> 

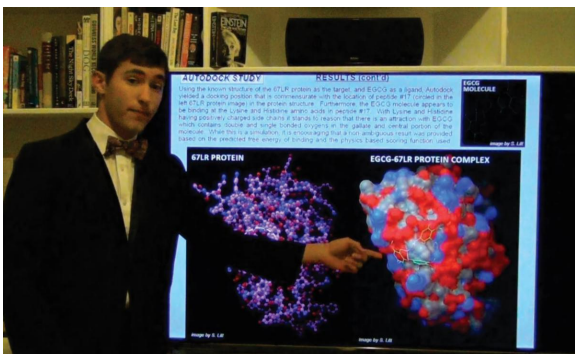
COMPLETE YOUR FAFSA
 This is also your application for HOPE/Zell Miller Grants and Scholarships. In addition to other financial aid: <https://fafsa.ed.gov> 

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Reminders

Magnet Students Achieve Success!

GEORGIA SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FAIR



Stephen Litt (Junior) earns first honor at the **Georgia Science & Engineering Fair** and is already deep into Phase VII of his research. Read more about Stephen's research [HERE](#)

GEORGIA JUNIOR SCIENCE & HUMANITIES SYMPOSIUM

The Georgia Junior Science & Humanities Symposium was virtual and invited 50 students in grades 9-12 to present their original research. We are proud that of the 50, five invitees were KMHS Magnet students! Congratulations to Valerie Barnhart, Isabelle Day, Destiny Kluck, Zoe Michaelson, and Ayusha Prasad!



GSO VIRTUAL TO CENTER STAGE COMPETITION



Magnet Sophomore Bella Vargas and Magnet Senior Jimmy Cyganek have moved past the first round of the Georgia Symphony Orchestra's "Virtual to Center Stage Competition!" Your votes can help them move on to Round

Please go to the **competition website** to vote through YouTube, Facebook and the website or like their videos at the links below:

Bella: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RLvaozINZSo>

Jimmy: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Xt_nNJ30w8

Voting ends April 25 at 5:00 pm.

COBB REGIONAL TECHNOLOGY COMPETITION

A technology competition for 3rd-12th grade students in Cobb County, Marietta City, and Douglas County, the CRTC provides an opportunity for students to showcase their 21st century skills in 14 categories. First place winners advance to the Georgia Student Technology Competition (GASTC) in May, with state winners to be announced on May 14. Congratulations to the following magnet students for their successes in this year's competition:



Calvin Boothe (Junior) 1st place, Video Production
 Rowan Boothe (Freshman) 1st place, Video Production
 Mikhail Chery (Sophomore) 1st place, Video Production

Clarissa Cortopassi (Freshman) 1st place, Animation
 James "Jimmy" Cyganek (Senior) 1st place, Audio Production
 Bethany Guerrero (Freshman) 1st place, Animation
 Adarsh Krishna (Freshman) 2nd place, 3D Modeling
 James Nwadike (Freshman) 1st place, Device Modification
 Isabella "Izzy" Insignares (Sophomore) 2nd place, Animation
 Oluwatimi "Timi" Omoteso (Sophomore) 2nd place, Digital Game Design
 Kharansh Singh (Freshman) 2nd place, Project Programming
 Dandre Varela (Junior) 2nd place, 3D Modeling
 Derrick Vincent (Freshman) 2nd place Project Programming
 Avery Rylander (Freshman) 3rd place, Animation
 Geran Tate (Junior) 3rd place, 3D Modeling
 Andrew Young (Freshman) 3rd place, 3D Modeling

THE GA TECH K-12 INVENTURE PRIZE



Through the Georgia Tech's K-12 InVenture Prize students are encouraged to present projects that identify real-world problems and design unique solutions, and to approach the innovation process from a unique and challenging perspective. We are proud of the following Magnet Freshmen teams who represented KMHS at the K-12 Inventure Prize this year:

Modded Mask: Joseph Bamert, Landon

Meng, and Maan Patel

Relief Glove: Madelyn Hagan and Ryleigh Sundell

The Heeler: Mallory Hydrick, Dehlia Placie, and Lily Tow

GHSA LITERARY COMPETITION

Our KMHS 2020-2021 Literary Team recently placed first in the region. All first place winners will progress to state competition in Buford, GA.

Congratulations to the following Magnet students:



Dramatic Interpretation: 2nd Maddox Newell (Junior)

Argumentative Essay: 2nd Paige Woodham (Junior)

Extemporaneous Speaking (Domestic): 1st Valerie Barnhart (Senior)

Extemporaneous Speaking (International): 2nd Ethan Percell (Senior)

Boys Solo: 1st Jimmy Cyganek (Senior)

Girls Trio: 1st Carolyn Tran (Senior)

Boys Quartet: 1st Jimmy Cyganek (Senior), Dylan Burton (Senior)

METRO ATLANTA SIGHT READING CHORUS



When GMEA cancelled this year's All-State Chorus and Reading Chorus due to Covid, a few dedicated Georgia teachers created MASC - The Metro Atlanta Sight Reading Chorus, held at Decatur First Baptist Church. Singers from across the area auditioned to attend clinics, sight sing their way through mountains of music and present a unique community concert in the church's parking garage...MASKED, of course. Magnet Seniors Jimmy Cyganek and Carolyn Tran were honored to be selected to participate.

MARCH 2021 MAGNET STUDENT & TEACHER

Each month, teachers are nominated by Magnet Students; Magnet Students may be nominated by Magnet Students or teachers.



Nicholas Matanmi should be student of the month! Nicholas is willing to help students when needed. He is attentive in class and really takes responsibility for this learning. He helps teachers and answers questions. He's been there for me when I was unclear about instructions; Nicholas is the embodiment of the perfect student!

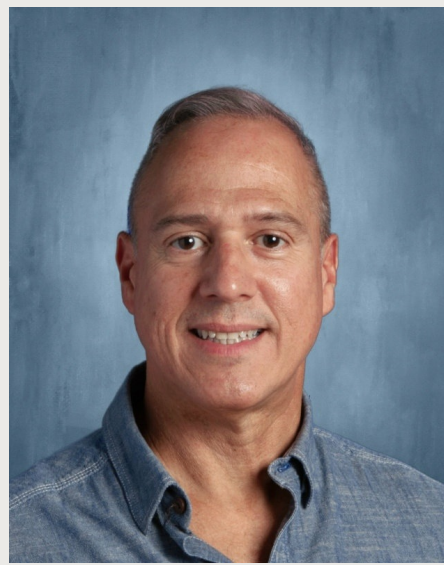


Dr. Hunt is an exceptional, enthusiastic, and passionate teacher, who always tries to give her students a meaningful and rich learning experience. This semester in Materials Science and Engineering we have completed many engaging labs which lead to a better understanding of what we are learning and a greater appreciation for what material scientists do. Dr. Hunt is very knowledgeable and fully explains methods and concepts. Her knowledge and experiences inspire curiosity and interest in students. She is a great person and always appreciates a good joke as well as cares that her students have an understanding of the course material.

APRIL 2021 MAGNET STUDENT & TEACHER



Melissa Ubani shows what it means to be a magnet student. She juggles school and a sport and still finds time to help her peers. Physics has been a bit hard for me this year due to all the craziness of being an online student. Melissa is in-person and she helps by reminding our teacher to record the session if I am absent and by helping me understand difficult labs. She never acts like helping online students is a burden; she willingly explains difficult concepts to her online peers. It's easy to get discouraged in such a hard class but Melissa encourages me and other peers to keep persevering. Melissa is extremely hardworking and I don't think that I know anyone else who is more deserving of the title of



Mr. Nestor Velez is a wonderful Spanish teacher! I have him for Honors Spanish 4 and he has gone above and beyond teaching through these difficult times. Learning a language is hard enough, but all of us have added challenges being online. Mr. Velez has worked extra hard to make sure we get the resources we need in order to be successful. He always goes the extra mile when me or another student is confused and always is patient with us when we are practicing. What really means the most to me is how kind and encouraging he is when we are speaking and making mistakes. He strives to make us better Spanish speakers, and I have enjoyed having him this semester!

Virtual College Visits

Students should access their Naviance account and select colleges they are interested in. By doing so, they will receive notifications when representatives from their selected colleges host a virtual visit with KMHS students. All students must update their email address in Naviance. Please change it from your Office 365 to your personal email address.



Once logged into Naviance >> About Me >> My Account. Click on the Edit pencil in the "Contact" box, update your email address, click Save. Students may check their weighted and unweighted GPA in Naviance! About Me >> My Account

Important Information & Opportunities

Scholarship, College, and Senior Information

Help is available 24/7 to assist those in crisis! School may be virtual but help is available. Trained counselors are available to help you. Connect with a counselor via one of these crisis lines

- Text line: text HELLO to 741741
 - Georgia Crisis & Access Line: 1-800-715-4225
 - National Crisis Line: 1-800-273-TALK (1-800-273-8255)
 - Suicide Prevention Hotline: 1-800-SUICIDE (1-800-784-2433)
 - LGBTQ Youth - The Trevor Project - <https://www.thetrevorproject.org/>.
- TrevorLifeline - 1-866-488-7386 or TrevorText - text START to 678678

HOPE/Zell Miller Scholarship

- Important: It is essential that students have their social security number on file; otherwise, they will not be eligible.
- Students may check their HOPE GPA by creating an account at www.gafutures.org. This is the only place to check it; it is NOT listed on student transcripts.
- If an error message is received when students check their HOPE GPA, it is likely KMHS does not have their social security number on file. A copy of the social security card is one of the requirements for HOPE/Zell eligibility. Please email Mrs. LaRoy if you find this information needs to be updated.
- Students must apply for HOPE/Zell Miller during their senior year (after October 1st) by completing the FAFSA. Seniors may also may also complete the GSFAPP through www.gafutures.org.
- Info on how you can submit your SAT or ACT scores for Zell: <https://www.gafutures.org/hope-state-aid-programs/hope-zell-miller-scholarships/zell-miller-scholarship/>

Scholarship Bulletin – we continue to add scholarships in Naviance

- Go to Colleges > Scholarships and Money > Scholarship List
- "Scholarship List" is our scholarship bulletin where we post scholarships we become aware of. You will still want to use other search engines.
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Online summer courses through CVA and GAVS:

This is for students who are interested in taking a course over the summer - such as Health, Personal Fitness, or foreign language. You must pay for summer courses, the grade goes on your transcript, and is factored into your GPA.

- Students must complete and submit the CCSD online student agreement to Mrs. LaRoy, in addition to registering for the course. You can find it in the Courses & Scheduling Edmodo folder.
- CVA for Health and/or Personal Fitness (both are required for graduation) GAVS for foreign language. (1 credit courses end in "AB")
- CVA summer term registration opened April 21. GAVS summer term registration begins May 1.
- For those who have submitted an online agreement for next school year, GAVS will begin registration in May.

Follow the Counseling Office on Twitter and Instagram @KMHS_counseling
Counselors will Tweet out college admission related webinars they find.

Edmodo! Don't Miss Out!

Every week Mrs. LaRoy and Dr. Ingle share information via Edmodo (Mrs. LaRoy posts on Tuesday and Dr. Ingle on Friday). If you are not reading the weekly posts, please begin doing so

to *avoid missing out on important information and opportunities!*



Share your talents and get involved with the Magnet Academy Foundation! The Foundation organizes magnet events, and supports students and teachers.

Magnet At-a-Glance

April 28 @ 6:00 pm: Magnet Parent Chat (sign up via Edmodo)
May 3-17: AP Exams
May 8: Magnet Medal Ceremony
May 27 @ 7:00 pm: KMHS Graduation

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Foundation Funds

- 1) Enhance Magnet classroom education with additional supplies.
- 2) Provide funding for additional training for Magnet Teachers.
- 3) Provide enhanced opportunities for Magnet students to interact and

engage in
STEM activities.

4) Identify and promote Science, Technology, Engineering, and
Mathematics programs
to better equip students to face challenges of the future.

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