



Magnetic Force

May/June 2021

Magnet Senior Class of 2021

Saturday, May 8, 2021 we celebrated the Magnet Senior Class of 2021 and awarded the coveted Magnet Medal to Magnet Seniors! View slideshow [HERE](#)



Co-Valedictorians: 4.771 GPA



Isabelle Day

- Attending: Northwestern University
- Major: Neuroscience and Mathematics
- Superlatives - Voted "Most Likely to Succeed"
- Cross country (varsity team captain), track, and Mane Link all 4 years of high school
- Held leadership: Varsity cross country team captain, Speech Club, Mane Link
- As a member of National Honor Society: handmade watercolor cards for a nursing home during pandemic
- Made videos supporting student mental health during the pandemic



Austen Day

- Attending: University of Virginia
- Major: Neuroscience/premed
- Sewed reusable mask covers for N-95 masks during mask shortage to donate to hospitals
- Tennis
- Held leadership positions in Model UN, Habitat for Humanity, and Helping Hands (math tutoring for elementary students)
- Has published research in a WellStar journal

Salutatorian: 4.757 GPA



Ayusha Prasad

- Attending: Georgia Institute of Technology
- Major: Biomedical engineering
- of the **AJC Journal Cup**
- Maintained all 4 years with positions of Sophomore Class VP, Junior Class VP, and Student Body VP
- Cross country since 8th grade
- Spanish Honors Society, Math Team, Key Club
- Approximately 1260 community service hours
 - Interned with Kennesaw Business Association for two years
 - Recipient of the Sue Gunderman Servant Leadership Scholarship
 - Magnet Student Advisory Council
 - Spanish Honor Society Board Member
 - National Technical Honor Society
 - National Honor Society
 - Co-ran The Special Education Dance and Shop with a Mustang
 - Favorite thing about going to school at Kennesaw Mountain "was that we were all able to grow into such well rounded citizens! More than the school's amazing academics, I have enjoyed attending a high school that makes community service and building relationships with others a priority."

Star Student: Naisha Sylvestre

Each year, the STAR student is the senior recognized for having the highest SAT score in a single sitting. This year's STAR student is Naisha Sylvestre (pictured far right). Read more about STAR [HERE](#)



STAR students are asked to name the teacher who made the greatest impact on their education. **Naisha chose Mrs. Bonnie Wright (pictured above left). Mrs. Wright was her Magnet Chemistry and AP Chemistry teacher.**

Magnet Seniors earn Swim Scholarships

Magnet Seniors Brett Reason (seated left) and Ben McClain (seated right) were named 1st Team All-County and All-State this year. Brett



Pictured standing left to right: David Reason (head Swim Coach), Doug Michalke (Asst. Swim Coach), Philip Matthews (KMHS Asst. Principle and Athletic Director), Nathan Stark (KMHS Principal), and Don Baker (CCSD Athletic Director)

signed a scholarship to swim at Florida Atlantic University. Brett was an MVP, five time county champion, and holds four school and three county records. Ben signed a scholarship to swim at Davidson College. Ben was a three time MVP, five time county champion, and holds five school and three county records.

Georgia Student Technology Competition (GASTC)

GASTC is a statewide technology competition. Students in grades 3-12 compete in a variety of technology categories; the

main goal is to challenge students to become leaders in a digital age. Students who earn 1st place at the Cobb Regional Technology Competition (CRTC) progress to the GASTC competition. This year, congratulations goes to the following for their success in the virtual GASTC competition:



- 2nd place in Animation grades 9-10: Clarissa Cortopassi (Class of 2024) and Bethany Guerrero (Class of 2024)
- 2nd place in Device Modification grades 9-10: James Nwadike (Class of 2024)
- 2nd place Audio Production grades 11-12: James "Jimmy" Cyganek (Class of 2021)
- 3rd place in Device Modification grades 11-12: Dasarath "Dash" Katragadda (Class of 2021)

2017 KMHS Magnet
Graduate Archelle
Thelemaque spoke during
Commencement at Boston
University. Read more [HERE](#)



LINK TO LIVESTREAM:
[LIVE.BU.EDU/COMMENCEMENT-2021/](https://live.bu.edu/commencement-2021/)

MAY 2021 MAGNET STUDENT & TEACHER

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



Gabriel Jackson-Mallette is very helpful and is always there if you have a question. He answers questions in class and helps his peers when they need it.



Mrs. Mackie made learning geometry easy, while keeping it fun. Also, she is really nice, and if you need to talk to someone she is the teacher to go to.

Summer Assignments



Summer Assignments
available online **HERE**

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 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/>

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

June: Juniors watch for Edmodo post from Mrs. LaRoy with Senior Profile assignment

July 20-22: Magnet Way: Sessions for students in all grades- details on Edmodo in early June

August 2: First day of school

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For volunteer opportunities **CLICK HERE** or contact the appropriate committee chair:

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Magnet Treats: Dorothy Woodham +
Melissa Hein

Membership: *OPEN*

Spirit Wear: *OPEN*

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Magnet Academy Foundation
KMHSMagnetFoundation.org

KMHS Academy/Magnet Website
KMHSmagnet.com

KMHS Website
cobbk12.org/KennesawMountain/

KMHS PTSA Website
kmhsptsa.membershiptoolkit.com

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1) Enhance Magnet classroom education with additional supplies.

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- 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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