



# Magnetic Force

November/December 2021

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Rest and Relax!



It's Okay, no, it's necessary, to rest!

Just like your cell-phone, periodically you need to recharge. During the next two weeks be creative, binge watch a favorite show, read books for fun, slowly sip a cup of coffee, enjoy a leisurely meal with family, hike Kennesaw Mountain with a group of friends- just be sure to enjoy!

# Freshmen Advisement



## Magnet Freshmen Students & Parents: Learn and plan for the next three years!

Mrs. LaRoy completed junior advisement, and Dr. Ingle will complete sophomore advisement in January. Therefore, it is time to plan, and mark your calendars for, Freshmen Advisement.

- **January 20: General Freshmen Meeting.** Graduation requirements and other important information will be covered. This is a great meeting for students who are the oldest- the first to be in high school! No magnet information covered.
- **February 7-11: Magnet Freshmen Advisement.** Meetings will be during the school day and parents may attend (RSVP required). More information and specific dates/times available in early January.

## Magnet Parent Meeting with Counselor & Coordinator

### Learn & Share

Pre-registration required!

Date: February 15, 2022

Time: 6-7:00 PM

Register via link shared by Dr. Ingle via Edmodo



## Magnet Academy Foundation



### Donation Utilization

Junior Mock Interviews  
Magnet Banquet  
Senior Medal Ceremony  
Senior Research Presentations  
Field Trips, STEM Lab



As you are planning your year-end charitable giving, we hope you will consider donating to the KMHS Magnet Foundation. Your charitable donation will make a huge impact in the life of the student whose education you are investing in. It will directly sustain our exceptional faculty and curriculum, and enable us to pursue new opportunities to strengthen our program. Please do not forget to request your corporate matching gift if eligible. We wish you and your family a very Happy Holiday Season! Click [HERE](#) to donate!

## Start *Your* Semester Right



Take a few minutes to reflect on the fall semester. Take out a sheet of paper and draw a vertical line down the middle. On the left make a list of all of the habits that led to success and on the right make a list of anything you wish to change. Flip the paper over and identify a few goals that you have for yourself. Be sure the goals are *specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, and timely* - SMART goals! Read more about SMART goals [HERE](#)! Organization, routines, taking notes, asking questions, choosing study partners, and self care are important factors related to achieving academic success. read more [HERE](#)!

## November 2021 MAGNET STUDENT & TEACHER of the Month

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



**Ben Dehass (Class of 2023).** Ben is a great student who always pays attention in class, and is respectful to students and teachers. One afternoon I injured my leg at practice and needed help getting my stuff. Ben helped carry my bags to his car and dropped me off at home to make sure I got home safe. Ben's action really stood out to me because it meant a lot to have someone there for me when I was down. Thank you Ben!



**Ms. Catherine Nord** is being recognized as teacher of the month because she will answer any question and help with any problem; she teaches with so much passion and is always in a great mood and so kind. While teaching, she explains everything in multiple ways to make sure we understand. We complete different labs and activities to keep the topics interesting and fun. She encourages us to ask questions. If someone asks a question she will always answer it, and if she doesn't understand the question she has them ask it in a different way so that she can answer it. If a student has an issue with an assignment, even if it's for an entirely different class, she will still try to help. Ms. Nord comes to school with a smile everyday, and is always in a happy mood while teaching. She respects her students and is a great teacher and I enjoy coming to her class everyday.



Class January 5, 2022

- The first day of class is important!
- Bring your laptop

## Beyond coursework

### From the Counseling Office

#### Required Bridge Law activities through Naviance:

At this time, juniors and freshmen should have completed their Bridge Law tasks through Naviance. To check if you have completed it, or for the steps, refer to instructions in the Edmodo Bridge Law folder

#### Researching/visiting colleges

There are various resources to research colleges. Two great sites to start with are Naviance and **College Board BigFuture**. Here are additional sites to check out:

- Map of University System of GA colleges:  
<https://www.usg.edu/institutions/> (public colleges in-state)
- Academic Common Market: study in a specialized field at an out-of-state college and pay in-state tuition rates.  
<https://www.sreb.org/academic-common-market>

Visiting colleges –Recommendation: schedule a tour through the college (typically through the admissions office) and do some exploring on your own. If allowed, visit the library and student center as well. Chat with other students and even staff. If there's a particular major of interest, you may be able to connect with someone in that department by contacting them in advance. You will want to visit while they are in session to get a true feel of campus life. If you have a college major in mind, this should be the main factor when considering different colleges.

**Juniors, register for the SAT and/or ACT.** Don't wait until the end of junior year! You will want to leave time to retest; most students will test 2-3 times. Most of you will apply to colleges early fall semester.

- Practice questions may be accessed on Khan Academy



(SAT) and ACT Academy (via ACT site)

- If you took the PSAT/NMSQT, link College Board and Khan Academy accounts for a personalized SAT practice plan <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/k12-educators/advising-instruction/practice-resources/link-accounts>

#### Seniors:

- Handling Admission Decisions if you are deferred or denied admission - <https://sites.gatech.edu/admission-blog/>
- *Midyear transcripts/fall semester grades for colleges* - if the college you applied to requires a midyear transcript, submit your request via MPP beginning 1/15. For Common App schools, just submit one request in MPP. For the name of the college, enter "Common App midyear."
- *Deferred?* You will need to request a midyear transcript.
- *Complete your FAFSA.* This is also your application for HOPE/Zell

#### Paying for college:

- KMHS Scholarship Bulletin: Students may access it by signing in to Naviance, clicking on Colleges >> Scholarship List >> Local & Regional Scholarships. We continue to update this throughout the school year. Naviance also has a "National Scholarship Search" for a larger range of opportunities.
- HOPE or Zell Miller Scholarship: requirements and details can be found at [www.gafutures.org](http://www.gafutures.org). Students in grades 10-12 can check their HOPE GPA at this site. HOPE GPA's will update again in February and will include freshmen. We must have the student's social security number on file to be eligible.
- Some colleges will offer their own institutional scholarships. There are also many different search engines out there, including Naviance, College Board, Fastweb, and more. Remember, you should never pay scholarship search or application fees!

## 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

**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](http://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 1<sup>st</sup>) by completing the FAFSA. Seniors may also may also complete the GSFAPP through [www.gafutures.org](http://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/>

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

## Magnet Weekly Updates

## 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

January 3 & 4: Teacher workdays; no classes

January 5: First day of classes

January 13: KMHS Science Fair

January 22: Cobb Regional Tech Competition at KMHS

February 7: Magnet Junior student and parent meeting (virtual)

February 15: Magnet parent Q & A (virtual)

## Many Thanks

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Membership: *OPEN*



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## Foundation Funds

- 1) Enhance Magnet classroom education with additional supplies.
- 2) Provide out-of-classroom experiences.
- 3) Provide funding for additional training for Magnet Teachers.
- 4) Provide enhanced opportunities for Magnet students to interact and engage in STEM activities.
- 5) Identify and promote Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics programs to better equip students to face challenges of the future.

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