

## March 2022

Welcome to the newest KMHS Magnet Studentsthe Magnet Class of 2026!





Ask the Experts: Advice from Top College Admissions Directors March 29, 8:00 PM



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So is this: "Ask The Experts", a free webinar all about applying to college! Ask questions about the application process and get answers from college admissions directors such as guest speaker Rick Clark.

- Director of Undergraduate Admission at Georgia Institute of Technology
- Co-Author of "The Truth about College Admission: A Family Guide to Getting In and Staying Together"
- Annual visitor to U.S. embassies through the Department of State to discuss the admissions process and landscape of higher education

Click **HERE** to read more and to RESERVE your spot!

#### Don't Miss out!

## Magnet Weekly Updates



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!

Technology and Engineering Design Successes!







Congratulations to the many KMHS Magnet Students who achieved success at the Cobb Regional Technology Competition (CRTC) in January! Click HERE for detailed placing information.

- The following Magnet Students earned 1st place in the 9/10 or 11/12 grade level: All 1st place finishers move to the state Georgia Student Technology Competition (GASTC)
  - Jason Gregory (Class of 2025): 3D Modeling
  - Calista Johnson (Class of 2025): Animation
  - Isabella Insignares (Class of 2023): Animation
  - Luke Ferguson & Mia Titus (Class of 2024): Audio Production
  - Emilio Acevedo (Class of 2025): Device Modification
  - Jordan Carvalo (Class of 2025): Digital Game Design
  - Anida Kabani (Class of 2025): Digital Photo Production
  - Laura Oubre (Class of 2025) Graphic Design
  - Bisher Ebid & Chase Twyman (Class of 2025) Internet Applications
  - Olivia Verbanac (Class of 2025) Multimedia Apps
  - Adriana Ngov (Class of 2025): Video Production
- The following Magnet Students earned 2nd place in the 9/10 or 11/12 grade level
  - Riley Brown (Class of 2025): 3D Modeling
  - Bethany Guerrero (Class of 2024): Animation
  - Rushi Patel (Class of 2025): Device Modification
  - Owen Lemr (Class of 2025): Digital Game Design
  - Alexander Pequignot (Class of 2025): Digital Photo Production
  - Elizabeth Lam & Reina Anand (Class of 2025) Graphic Design
  - Lizzie Casaleno (Class of 2025) Internet Applications
  - Kathryn Huff (Class of 2025) Multimedia Apps
  - Miranda Andrade (Class of 2025): Video Production
- The following Magnet Students earned 3rd place in the 9/10 or 11/12 grade level
  - Sydni Demester (Class of 2024): Animation
  - Jared Dickerson (Class of 2025): Audio Production
  - Seam Murphy(Class of 2025) Graphic Design
  - Ben Hargett (Class of 2025) Internet Applications
  - Barric Tuchscher (Class of 2025) Multimedia Apps

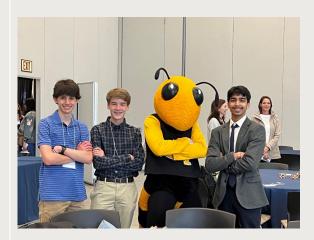
The CRTC will now be known as the **North Central Technology Competition** and will be held at KMHS on January 28, 2023.



Congratulations to the KMHS Magnet Freshmen on their successes at The Inventure Prize at GA Tech!

Humayd Momin (right and below right) earned 2nd in the High School Division with his Lister Mark 1. Click HERE to listen to Humayd explain about the Lister Mark 1!

Nathan Mckee (below left) and William Tyler (below middle)were winners of the Consumer Goods Award with their Chorder invention. Click HERE to listen to Nathan and William explain more about the Chorder!







Girls Wrestling State Champion: Genevieve An (Class of 2025)



Kennesaw Mountain Magnet Sophomore Genevieve An won the 142-pound title after her second-place finish in the 132pound class last year. Read more about Genevieve's accomplishments HERE





## George Daniel earns Eagle Scout

George Daniel (Magnet Class of 2024) successfully completed his Eagle Board Review! Great job George!

For his Eagle service project,
George completed a
beautification update of the
Sensory Garden at McClure Middle
School. During the last few years,
the garden became overgrown
and was in need of a makeover.
George attended McClure and
remembered the garden. He also
realized that many teachers walk
through the garden each day;
therefore, it was important to
George to update the Sensory
Garden for McClure students and
teachers.



A proud moment for George and his parents. Pictured from left to right: Dr. Kevin Daniel, George Daniel, and Dr. Ansley Daniel

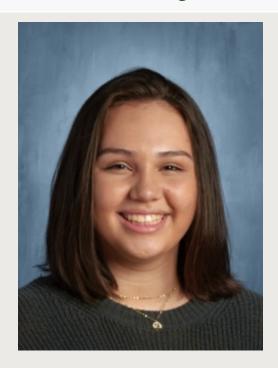
George's family and friends (below) pitched in to help him remove weeds, move pebbles and rocks, and give the garden an update that many will be able to enjoy.





## February 2022 MAGNET STUDENT <u>& TEACHER of the Month</u>

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



Daniela Binns (Class of 2022).
Daniela is an extraordinary,
talented, and intelligent
student and friend. Recently,
Daniela has tremendously
helped me through some
emotional personal events. She
is a great listener and always
offers her genuine advice. I got



Mrs. Keating is always in a positive mood. She never lets any problems affect her mood. She makes an effort to make people laugh and really enjoys teaching. She never hesitates to help out with any sorts of questions and brings good vibes to the class! I hope she

to see her perform in the wind symphony and percussion ensemble pre-GMEA concert. She dedicates so much of her time to music, and I want her to get recognized for her hard work. Daniela is also enthusiastic about her passion for statistics and talks highly of her data analysis internship for Coca Cola. She embodies the important qualities of not only being a magnet student, but also of being a Mustang.

knows how much her students appreciates her!









### **Magnet Academy Foundation**



#### **Donation Utilization**

Junior Mock Interviews
Magnet Banquet
Senior Medal Ceremony
Senior Research Presentations
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Equipment, Guest Speakers,
College Tours and More!

Your charitable donation will make a huge impact in the life of the students. 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. Click **HERE** to donate!



Required Bridge Law activities through Naviance

- Freshmen and juniors please check that you have completed your required Bridge Law Naviance tasks. This is required and must be completed ASAP. We will begin pulling you from class as early as next week if this is not completed. Freshmen, Mrs. LaRoy also reposted the instruction sheet in Edmodo on 3/22.
- Sophomores if you are not in H Brit Lit or World History this semester, we are working on a plan to share information that was presented to sophomores. There are also Bridge Law Naviance tasks to complete. You are welcome to complete these tasks prior to the lesson. If a counselor visited your Lit or World History class and you did not complete all the tasks, we will begin pulling you from class.

How to check if you completed the Bridge Law activity:

- Log-in to Naviance. Do NOT, I repeat, do not Google Naviance. You MUST use this link https://tinyurl.com/CCSDNaviance or access it via the KMHS website under "Find It Fast"
- 2. From your Naviance homepage, you can either scroll down to "Important To-Dos and Tasks" on your Naviance home page or go to Planner >> Tasks and scroll down to "Tasks You Need to Work on"
- 3. Once you have completed everything, you will see a green check.

#### 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/k12educators/advising-instruction/practice-resources/linkaccounts

Seniors: As we finish out the school year, it is important that you finish strong. Please remember, your college acceptances are conditional and can be rescinded. Yes, spring semester can be tough with "senioritis" but it is important that you remain focused all the way to the finish line. Additional information:

- Handling Admission Decisions if you are deferred or denied admission - https://sites.gatech.edu/admission-blog/
- It's not too late to apply to (more) colleges! In-state University System of Georgia colleges are waiving application fees the month of March. Visit www.gafutures.org for details.
- Complete your FAFSA. This is also your application for HOPE/Zell Scholarship
- Important commencement (graduation) info, including a packet of important information is available at https://kmhsseniors.weebly.com/
- Show us the money report all scholarship offers to https://bit.ly/2022schol by May 2. If you have received a full-ride or full-tuition scholarship (excluding HOPE/Zell) AND plan to use it, please report it by April 10.
- KMHS commitment day is coming April 28. Details coming soon.
- Final transcripts if you have committed to a college, you
  may request your final transcript now at
  https://bit.ly/kmhsfinal. Final transcripts will be processed after
  all senior grades are finalized at the end of the semester.

#### **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. Scholarship eligibility criteria can also be found on this website.
- 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.
- 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/

#### Paying for college

- KMHS Scholarship Bulletin: Students may access it by signing in to Naviance, clicking on Colleges >> Scholarships & Money >> Scholarship Search. Many scholarships from local organizations have been added. 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. Students in grades 10-12 can check their HOPE GPA at this site. 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!

#### College Representatives Visiting KMHS

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 char



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

To view when colleges are scheduled to visit KMHS, click on:

- "Colleges"
- then "College Visits" under "Research Colleges"

## Important Information & Opportunities

Help is available 24/7 to assist those in crisis! 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

## Follow the Counseling Office on Twitter and Instagram @KMHS\_counseling

Counselors will Tweet out college admission related webinars they find.

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

March 29: Magnet Class of 2026

Registration and Course

Information Meeting

April 2-10: Spring Break

April 21: Honors Night at KMHS

May 2-13: AP Exams

May17: Senior Research

Presentations 5:30-7:30 PM at

**KMHS** 

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KMHSMagnetFoundation.org

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<u>KMHS Website</u> cobbk12.org/KennesawMountain/

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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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