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19 DCSD Seniors Recognized as Georgia Scholars for the Class of 2025

(STONE MOUNTAIN, GA) – The DeKalb County School District (*DCSD*) proudly announces that 19 DCSD seniors have been honored as Georgia Scholars for the Class of 2025. The Georgia Department of Education (*GaDOE*) released the list today, recognizing these exceptional students among 145 honorees statewide. As part of this prestigious distinction, each Georgia Scholar receives a special seal for their diploma and a commemorative graduation cord.

"We are absolutely thrilled to see our students shine at the state level," DCSD Superintendent Dr. Devon Q. Horton said. "These 19 young leaders have shown remarkable academic ability, dedication to their communities, and exemplary character throughout their high school journeys. They embody the best of DeKalb County, and we look forward to witnessing all the amazing achievements their futures hold."

The Georgia Scholar program identifies and honors high school seniors who have excelled academically and contributed significantly to their communities. These students completed rigorous course loads, performed at the highest levels across all subjects, engaged in interscholastic events, and served as leaders in extracurricular activities. In partnership with local districts and schools, GaDOE coordinates the program each year to highlight students who embody the spirit of scholarship and service.

| Chamblee High School | Ryan Joshi | Dunwoody High School | Jonah Horwitz * |
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| Chamblee High School | Temple Lester | Dunwoody High School | Brady McGee |
| Chamblee High School | Rishan Muthugomu | Dunwoody High School | Artemis Misewicz |
| Chamblee High School | Elena Smith | Dunwoody High School | Mariana Roque Queiroz |
| Cross Keys High School | Hector Zilli | Lakeside High School | Cole Jones |
| DeKalb School of the Arts | Harper May | Lakeside High School | Anna Katz |
| DeKalb School of the Arts | Sophia Ocfemia | Miller Grove High School | Meti Kejela |
| DeKalb School of the Arts | Lauren Williams | Miller Grove High School | Swayam Rathod |
| Dunwoody High School | Clara Cann | Tucker High School | Rebecca Larkin |
| Dunwoody High School | Raquel Espinoza Ramirez | *Student added by GaDOE after the initial announcement | |

The complete list of 2025 Georgia Scholars is <u>HERE</u>. For more information about the Georgia Scholar program, see <u>HERE</u>.

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