



NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: June 1, 2020

News Media Contact: Communication and Media Relations, 678-301-6020

GCPS Class of 2020:

Nine GCPS seniors earn “Gates Scholarship”

A group of **Gwinnett County Public Schools (GCPS)** seniors recently learned their hard work during their K-12 academic career has earned them the opportunity to go to college for free. The nine students have been named recipients of the **2020 Gates Scholarship**. The GCPS seniors, representing six different schools, are among a select group of students from across the nation to receive the honor this year. The honorees are:

Gates Scholar	High School
Rahsaan McFarland II	Archer HS
David Palmer	Central Gwinnett HS
Tameem Asif	Gwinnett School of Mathematics, Science, and Technology
Faraz Awan	Gwinnett School of Mathematics, Science, and Technology
Yassine Bouanani	Gwinnett School of Mathematics, Science, and Technology
Kenneth Truong	Gwinnett School of Mathematics, Science, and Technology
Destiny Sanchez	Mill Creek HS
Shayla Nguyen	Mountain View HS
Gavin Clarke	Shiloh HS

The Gates Scholarship eliminates barriers to college for high-potential, low-income minority students. Funded by **The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation**, the all-expenses-paid scholarship is awarded to 300 students per year. In addition to funding, The Gates Scholarship provides further support to Scholars, by engaging with them and their institutions in a variety of ways, to ensure they have access to the resources and services they need, from their first to last day of classes, through graduation and the transition to their chosen careers. This prestigious scholarship program is based on evidence that by eliminating the financial barriers to college, an all-expenses-paid scholarship can enable high-potential, low-income minority students to excel in their course work, graduate college, and continue to be leaders throughout their lives.

For more information about the Gates Scholarship, visit www.thegatesscholarship.org.

Gwinnett County Board of Education

Louise Radloff
2020 Chairman
District V

Carole C. Boyce
2020 Vice Chairman
District I

Steven B. Knudsen
District II

Dr. Mary Kay Murphy
District III

Everton Blair, Jr.
District IV

J. Alvin Wilbanks
CEO/Superintendent

The Mission of Gwinnett County Public Schools

is to pursue excellence in academic knowledge, skills, and behavior for each student, resulting in measured improvement against local, national, and world-class standards.

437 Old Peachtree Road, NW
Suwanee, GA 30024-2978
678-301-6000
www.gcpsk12.org

It is the policy of Gwinnett County Public Schools not to discriminate on the basis of race, sex, religion, national origin, age, or disability in any employment practice, educational program, or any other program, activity, or service.

2010 and 2014 Winner of

