

## Five SCCPSS Graduating Seniors Named 2021 Georgia Scholars



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Please find with this message information from the Savannah-Chatham County Public School System.

### **SCCPSS ADVISORY**

Five SCCPSS students from four Savannah-Chatham high schools have been named 2021 Georgia Scholars by State School Superintendent Richard Woods. Through the Georgia Scholar program, the Georgia Department of Education identifies and honors high school seniors who have achieved excellence in school and community life. A total of 323 graduating seniors from across Georgia have been recognized as 2021 Georgia Scholars.

Students eligible for Georgia Scholar recognition are high school seniors who exhibit excellence in all phases of school life, in community activities, and in the home. These students have carried exemplary course loads during their four years of high school; performed excellently in all courses; successfully participated in interscholastic events at their schools and in their communities; and have assumed roles in extracurricular activities sponsored by their schools. Note that the SAT and ACT score requirement was waived this year, as some students were not able to take or retake these exams due to the pandemic. Each Georgia Scholar receives a seal for their diploma.

“As a state, we can all draw inspiration from the resilience and determination of the class of 2021,” Superintendent Woods said. “Like their counterparts in the class of 2020, they dealt with the sudden shutdown of in-person schooling in March of last year. Then they persevered through a school year that was, of necessity, unlike any we have ever seen before – and still, they found a way to excel. I am extremely proud of each 2021 Georgia Scholar and can’t wait to see what this outstanding group of students accomplishes.”

These are our 2021 SCCPSS Georgia Scholars:

Islands High School Kailyn Keeton  
Herschel V. Jenkins High School Joseph Salamone  
Savannah Arts Academy Cailyn Kurdys  
Savannah Arts Academy Vincent Nguyen  
Woodville Tompkins Technical & Career High School Jahnay Cummings