

Fourth Grade Schools
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CTAE

Excellence

2024 Awards Gala

March 27, 2024

FoCAL Center



Program

Presentation of Colors	North Forsyth High School <i>MCJROTC Unit</i>
National Anthem	Lisie Leitner <i>Student, Forsyth Central High School</i>
Welcome and Introduction of Special Guests	Ankit Chandra <i>FBLA State Secretary and Student, Denmark High School</i>
Opening Remarks and Inspiration	Jeff Bearden <i>Superintendent, Forsyth County Schools</i>
Program Overview and Sponsor Recognition	Wendy Corona <i>Channel 2 News Anchor, WSB-TV</i>
CTAE Region and State Officers Recognition	Ken Crowe <i>University of North Georgia</i>
CTAE Student Ambassador Recognition	Karlie Kandul <i>DECA State President and Student, Lambert High School</i>
Michael Gravitt CTAE Partnership Award	Rotary Club of Forsyth County and the Gravitt Family <i>Shannon Mize, Kim Gravitt, Collin Gravitt, and Lyndsey Phelps</i>
Mentors of the Year	Brooke Hataway <i>DECA State Vice President of Leadership and Student, West Forsyth High School</i>

STUDENT OF THE YEAR RECOGNITIONS

Agriculture Cluster	
Architecture and Construction Cluster	
Arts, A/V Technology and Communications Cluster	
Business and Finance Clusters	
Culinary Arts Cluster	
Education Cluster - Early Childhood Education and Education as a Profession	
Engineering & Technology/Mechatronics Clusters	
Health Science Cluster	
Human Services Cluster - Cosmetology/Interior Design/Nutrition and Food Science	
Information Technology Clusters	
Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security Cluster	
MCJROTC	
Marketing/Hospitality and Tourism Clusters	
Transportation Cluster - Automotive Technology and Flight Operations/Drone Technology	
Internship Forsyth	
Middle School Students of the Year	
CTSO Advisors of the Year Presentation	Joey Berweiler, <i>Forsyth Central High School</i> and Sanjita Prabhu, <i>Alliance Academy for Innovation</i> <i>CTAE Student Ambassadors</i>
Challenge to Honorees	Grace Leitner <i>2023 High School CTAE Student of the Year</i>
Announcement of High School CTAE Student of the Year	Wendy Corona <i>Channel 2 News Anchor, WSB-TV</i>
Closing	Valery Lowe <i>Director of College & Career Development, Forsyth County Schools</i>

Agriculture Cluster

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This cluster is focused on the production, processing, marketing, distribution, financing, and development of agricultural commodities and resources including food, fiber, wood products, natural resources, horticulture, and other plant and animal products or resources. Students in this cluster are members and participate with FFA.



MacKenzie Kratz
Denmark High School



Anna Grace Lowe
Forsyth Central High School



Kaitlyn Klein
North Forsyth High School



Carter Weems
South Forsyth High School



The mission of FFA (Future Farmers of America) is to make a positive difference in the lives of young people by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education.

Architecture and Construction Cluster

This cluster is focused on careers in designing, planning, managing, building and maintaining the built environment. Students in this cluster are members and participate with SkillsUSA.



Benjamin Holmberg
East Forsyth High School



William Michael Adamson
East Forsyth High School



Nathaniel Kearns
East Forsyth High School



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Arts, A/V Technology and Communications Cluster



This cluster is focused on designing, producing, exhibiting, performing, writing, and publishing multimedia content including visual and performing arts and design, journalism and entertainment services. Students in this cluster are members and participate with SkillsUSA.



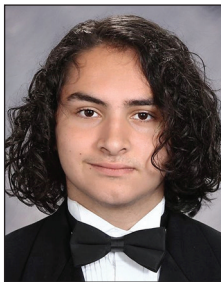
Emma Thomas

Alliance Academy for Innovation



Travis Delp

East Forsyth High School



Ian Schael Aponte

Forsyth Central High School



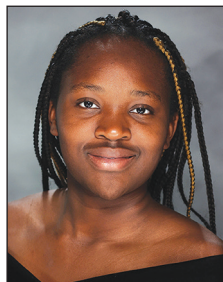
Raúl Ramirez

Lambert High School



Hailey Hodge

North Forsyth High School



Zethan Ajayi

South Forsyth High School



Reagan Burton

West Forsyth High School



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Business and Finance Clusters



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This cluster is focused on careers in business functions essential to efficient and productive business operations, focused on planning, services for financial and investment planning, banking, insurance, and business financial management. Students in this cluster are members and participate with FBLA.



Arnav Harsh
Alliance Academy for Innovation



William Horn
Denmark High School



Nicole Bentley
East Forsyth High School



Aishu Meyyappan
Lambert High School



Ava Sanders
South Forsyth High School



The mission of Georgia FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) is to bring business and education together in a positive working relationship through innovative leadership and career development programs.



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Culinary Arts Cluster



This cluster is focused on management, marketing and operations of restaurants and other food services. Students in this cluster are members and participate with FCCLA.



Arya Nagarkar
Denmark High School



Allison Dykes
East Forsyth High School



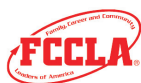
Cassie Bowie
Lambert High School



Allie Chanoski
South Forsyth High School



Bailey McCorkle
West Forsyth High School



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Education Cluster

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION |
EDUCATION AS A PROFESSION



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This cluster is focused on planning, managing and providing education and training services, and related learning support services. Students in this cluster are members and participate with FCCLA.



Addison McGilberry
Alliance Academy for Innovation



Ellie Brown
Denmark High School



Mary Beth Watson
East Forsyth High School



Nora Swafford
East Forsyth High School



Jessie Hood
Forsyth Central High School



Ada Thrower
Lambert High School



Carlee Christopher
North Forsyth High School



Elizabeth Meade
South Forsyth High School



Rachael Stoecker
West Forsyth High School



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Engineering and Technology | Mechatronics Clusters

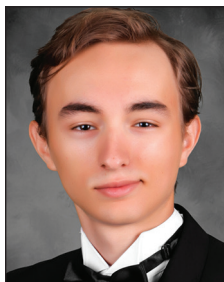


This cluster is focused on planning, managing and providing scientific research and professional and technical services (e.g., physical science, social science, engineering) including laboratory and testing services, and research and development services. Students in this cluster are members and participate with TSA.



Jonah Abbott

Alliance Academy for Innovation



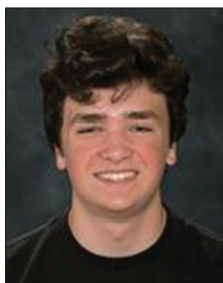
Jonathan Mortensen

Denmark High School



Addison Brown

East Forsyth High School



Alex Smith

Forsyth Central High School



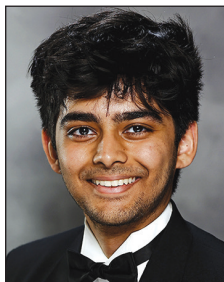
Charis Beverly

Lambert High School



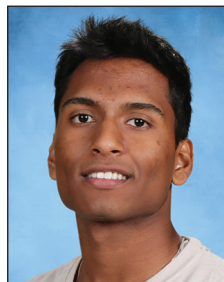
Drew Turbeville

North Forsyth High School



Anshul Naini

South Forsyth High School



Avaneesh Mohapatra

West Forsyth High School



The mission of TSA (Technology Student Association) is learning to lead in a technical world. TSA enhances personal development, leadership, and career opportunities in STEM, whereby members apply and integrate these concepts through intracurricular activities, competitions, and related programs.

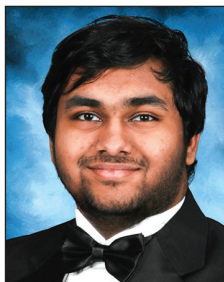


Health Science Cluster



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This cluster is focused on planning, managing, and providing therapeutic services, diagnostic services, health informatics, support services, and biotechnology research and development. Students in this cluster are members and participate with HOSA.



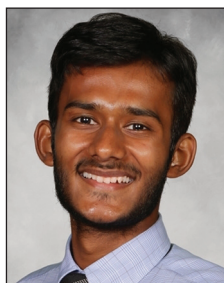
Vullas Nathani
Alliance Academy for Innovation



Flavia Rivas Quintero
Forsyth Central High School



Jane Biswas
Lambert High School



Sakethram Ramakrishnan
Lambert High School



Lyla Bingaman
North Forsyth High School



Addison Brown
West Forsyth High School



The mission of HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America) is to enhance the delivery of compassionate, quality health care by providing opportunities for knowledge, skill and leadership development for all health science technology education students, therefore, helping students to meet the needs of the health care community.

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Human Services Cluster

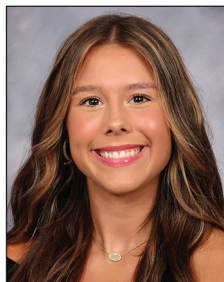
COSMETOLOGY | INTERIOR DESIGN |
NUTRITION AND FOOD SCIENCE



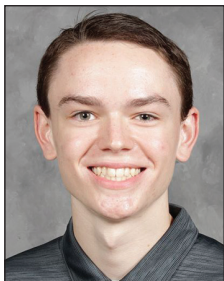
This cluster is focused on preparing individuals for employment in careers that relate to families and human needs such as counseling and mental health services, family and community services, personal care and consumer services. Students in this cluster are members and participate with FCCLA and SkillsUSA.



Maryia Babko
East Forsyth High School



Madison Carpenter
Forsyth Central High School



London Coley
Forsyth Central High School



Soha Ali
Lambert High School



Shivani Patel
North Forsyth High School



Ashley Eslinger
West Forsyth High School



Anika Mathur
West Forsyth High School



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Information Technology Cluster

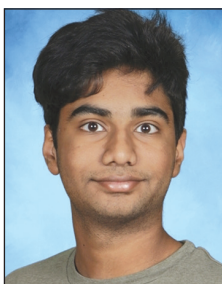


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This cluster is focused on knowledge and skills related to the preparation for careers that create, use, modify, and engage technology skills. Graphics, multimedia animation, web design, game and application development, networking, and computer repair are all possibilities. Students in this cluster are members and participate with FBLA.



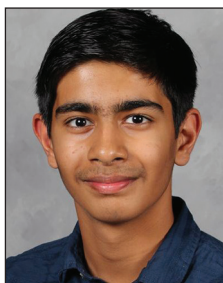
Jyotsna Vutukuri
Alliance Academy for Innovation



Rishi Sadu
Denmark High School



Jack Groover
East Forsyth High School



Shubham Prasad
Forsyth Central High School



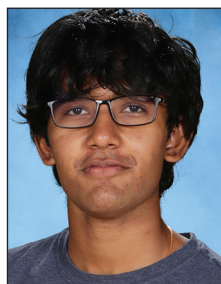
Neal Karani
Lambert High School



Morgan Niederer
North Forsyth High School



Sahiti Dasari
South Forsyth High School



Arah Ostwal
West Forsyth High School



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Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security Cluster

This cluster is focused on planning, managing, and providing legal, public safety and protective services and homeland security, including professional and technical support services. Students in this cluster are members and participate with SkillsUSA.



Kristen Seo

Alliance Academy for Innovation



Madison McGhee

Alliance Academy for Innovation



Olivia Bath

Alliance Academy for Innovation



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MCJROTC



The purpose of the Marine Corps Junior ROTC program is to prepare high school students for leadership roles while making them aware of their rights, responsibilities, and privileges as American citizens.



Colin Kowalczyk

North Forsyth High School



Abigail Wilson

North Forsyth High School



Marketing | Hospitality and Tourism Clusters



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This cluster is focused on planning, managing and performing marketing activities to reach organizational objectives and lodging, attractions, recreation events and travel related services. Students in this cluster are members and participate with DECA.



Neeva Gokhale
Alliance Academy for Innovation



Parth Shah
Denmark High School



Faith Ford
East Forsyth High School



Lilli Moon
Forsyth Central High School



Karlie Kandul
Lambert High School



Bryan Cohen
North Forsyth High School



Josh Wilson
South Forsyth High School



Quin Petty
West Forsyth High School



The mission of DECA (Association of Marketing Students) is to prepare emerging leaders and entrepreneurs in marketing, finance, hospitality and management in high schools and colleges around the globe.

Transportation Cluster

AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY |
FLIGHT OPERATIONS | DRONE TECHNOLOGY

This cluster is focused on planning, management, and movement of people, materials, and goods by road, pipeline, air, rail and water and related professional support services. Students in this cluster are members and participate with SkillsUSA.



Abi Muthukumar
Alliance Academy for Innovation



Rithika Parupalli
Alliance Academy for Innovation



Bella Bowermaster
Forsyth Central High School



Lucas Hertzler
Forsyth Central High School



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Internship Forsyth



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Internship Forsyth is a structured experience which connects classroom learning to an engaging job opportunity in our community. This educational strategy provides students with real-life work experiences where they can apply academic and technical skills and develop their employability.



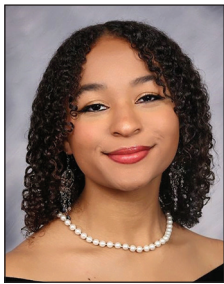
Maria Zevallos-Santander
Alliance Academy for Innovation



Varshita Mohankumar
Denmark High School



Grace Merritt
East Forsyth High School



Halijah Snyder
Forsyth Central High School



James Todd
Lambert High School



Annalise Bradford
North Forsyth High School



Ethan Brown
South Forsyth High School



Callie Garland
West Forsyth High School

CTAE Region and State Officers and Student Ambassadors

CTAE Region and State Officers

DECA	Brooke Hataway West Forsyth High School
DECA	Karlie Kandul Lambert High School
DECA	Quin Petty West Forsyth High School
FBLA	Ankit Chandra Denmark High School
FBLA	Mahanya Nimmagadda South Forsyth High School
FCCLA	Soha Ali Lambert High School
FCCLA	Isabella Supina Denmark High School
FIRST Robotics	Eshan Jaffar Alliance Academy for Innovation
HOSA	Neal Fernandes Lambert High School
HOSA	Anvita Guttikonda Alliance Academy for Innovation
SkillsUSA	Nymisha Vitta South Forsyth High School
TSA	Vaishnavi Chakka West Forsyth High School

CTAE Student Ambassadors

Vung Huai	Alliance Academy for Innovation
Arya Pande	Alliance Academy for Innovation
Sanjita Prabhu	Alliance Academy for Innovation
Varshita Mohankumar	Denmark High School
Shailee Shah	Denmark High School
Emma Wisenbaker	Denmark High School
Faith Ford	East Forsyth High School
Emma Read	East Forsyth High School
Ava Smith	East Forsyth High School
Joseph Berweiler	Forsyth Central High School
Josie Galdes	Forsyth Central High School
Natalie Knight	Forsyth Central High School
Phillip Porter	Forsyth Central High School
Vedant Naik	Lambert High School
Braden Smith	Lambert High School
Kieun (Christina) Song	Lambert High School
Lindsey Pirkle	North Forsyth High School
Rayan Akhtar	South Forsyth High School
Ishan Mahajan	South Forsyth High School
Margaret McRae	South Forsyth High School
Sahil Shaik	South Forsyth High School
Sriya Gouriseti	West Forsyth High School
Shyla Katoch	West Forsyth High School
Arnav Singh	West Forsyth High School



Wendy Corona

Channel 2 News Anchor, WSB-TV

Wendy Corona joined Channel 2 Action News in January 2013. She anchors Channel 2 Action News at 4pm Monday through Friday and also reports daily throughout the metro.

Before the move to Atlanta, Wendy worked at WFAA in Dallas, Texas. Wendy was also an evening anchor at KPRC in Houston, Texas. Wendy was the morning anchor at Local 10, the ABC affiliate in Miami. Her broadcast career began as a reporter in Yuma, Arizona followed by El Paso, Texas and Orlando, Florida.

Wendy has been a witness to many significant news events, starting in her college days being present at the O.J. Simpson murder trial. She is most proud of her early work as a reporter in reuniting an African refugee with her long-lost family members in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and winning an Emmy Award at WSB for reporting on

people's abuse of the lightly regulated service dog industry. Wendy had the pleasure of teaming up with Robin Roberts in Miami to support Women's Heart Health initiatives and appeared on Good Morning America to support the issue. Wendy has hosted numerous special event broadcasts from sporting to philanthropic gala events and finds joy connecting with the community this way.

Wendy is especially supportive of areas of women's health, education, literacy projects and domestic violence.

Born and raised in Southern California, Wendy is the daughter of Mexican immigrants, fluent in Spanish and the first in her entire family to graduate from college. Wendy graduated from the University of Southern California with a Bachelor of Arts and Science in Broadcast Journalism and a minor in Spanish.



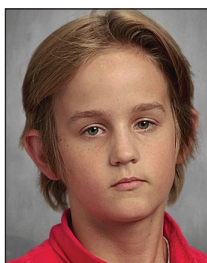
Middle School Students of the Year



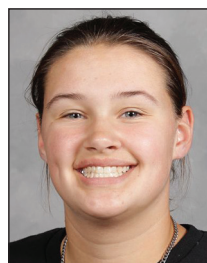
Agriculture Cluster



Cole Ryan
Liberty Middle School



Cooper Edmondson
North Forsyth Middle School



Price Green
Otwell Middle School

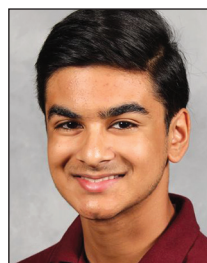
A/V Cluster



Sriram Martha
Hendricks Middle School



Austin Miller
Otwell Middle School



Evan James
Piney Grove Middle School



Sam Teater
Riverwatch Middle School



Brandon Lange
Vickery Middle School

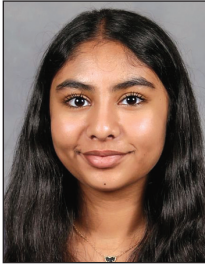


Middle School Students of the Year



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Business and Computer Science Cluster



Ishika Nadiminti
DeSana Middle School



Samuel Flippo
Hendricks Middle School



Kaitlyn Sickles
Lakeside Middle School



Brentley Loeffler
Liberty Middle School



William Land
Little Mill Middle School



Krishna Budim
Riverwatch Middle School

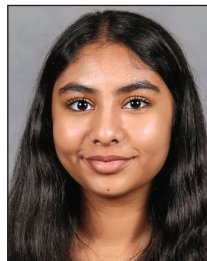


Ojas Shettigar
South Forsyth Middle School

Career Development and Leadership Cluster



Noelle Herlihy
Hendricks Middle School



Ishita Kambam
Lakeside Middle School



Elin Falkman
Liberty Middle School



Caeley Koffel
North Forsyth Middle School



Middle School Students of the Year



Construction Cluster

Food and Nutrition Cluster



Westin Castleberry
Little Mill Middle School



Sloane Gregory
Otwell Middle School

Healthcare Cluster



Anika Tiwari
Hendricks Middle School



Dhruv Purohit
Lakeside Middle School



Prisha Karani
Riverwatch Middle School



Avani Subhedar
South Forsyth Middle School



Middle School Students of the Year



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Engineering and Technology Cluster



Vishnu Tadipatri
DeSana Middle School



Bobby Williams
Hendricks Middle School



Holden Borland
Lakeside Middle School



Leila Bee
Liberty Middle School



Sam Shumake
North Forsyth Middle School



Maddie Collins
Otwell Middle School



Ashwath Lakshmanaswamy
Piney Grove Middle School



Varun Heblikar
Riverwatch Middle School



William Cheek
South Forsyth Middle School



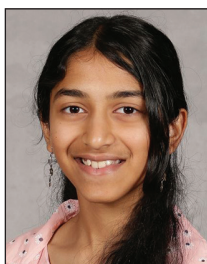
Lynlee Netzer
Vickery Creek Middle School



Middle School Students of the Year



Marketing Cluster



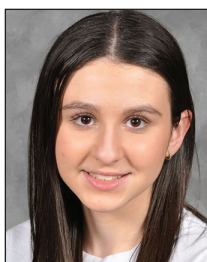
Sharanya Aher
DeSana Middle School



Hasini Vangapally
Hendricks Middle School



Yashoshree Mopuru
Lakeside Middle School



Isabella Tarantino
Liberty Middle School



Sainidhi Reddygari
Otwell Middle School



Nidhi Neelagiri
Piney Grove Middle School



Mahima Srikanth
Riverwatch Middle School



Aarav Modey
South Forsyth Middle School



Nashita Nalaballi
Vickery Creek Middle School



About Michael Gravitt: *Michael Gravitt was a strong supporter of career, technical, and agricultural education in Forsyth County. A graduate of Forsyth County High School, Michael dedicated his life to community service and volunteerism and considered Cumming, Georgia heaven on Earth. He made everyone feel important and believed that if his name was on it, then it needed to be done the best that he could. He was a member of the Forsyth County Rotary Club and board member of many local charitable organizations. He was always willing to volunteer with CTAE and was a big advocate for the Alliance Academy for Innovation through his work on the Public Facilities Authority.*

PAST RECIPIENTS INCLUDE:

- **Automation Direct**
- **Brandywine Printing**
- **Forsyth County Sheriff's Office**
- **Sawnee Animal Hospital**
- **Vertical Earth**

Michael Gravitt

CTAE Partnership Award

The purpose of the Michael Gravitt CTAE Partnership Award is to recognize an exemplary Pathway Partner who has been a strong supporter and advocate for CTAE in Forsyth County Schools. Eligible candidates should demonstrate a long-standing commitment to assisting CTAE programs, teachers, or students in one or more of the following ways:

- Assisting and supporting career and technical education teachers and their instruction (ex. visiting classrooms/labs to speak to students, facilitating real-world projects, offering teacher externships, providing funds or materials for classroom use, etc.).
- Participation in community long-range planning for career and technical education through Workforce Forsyth.
- Employing and/or mentoring student interns through Internship and Mentorship Forsyth
- Assisting, supporting, and mentoring students with class assignments, CTSO competitive events, job or career development opportunities, and mock interviews.
- Advocating for career and technical education in the community.

Thanks to Our Sponsors



A special thank you to Forsyth County CTAE Culinary Arts instructors and students for our opening reception tonight along with Kevin Morrison and the Lambert High School Saxophone Quartet for their performance.