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Seniors Earn Associate Degrees, Forge Path for DHS Collegiate Academy Students

Remy Simpson and Christopher Hall will graduate from college before they walk the stage at Duncanville High School's commencement. Both have earned an Associate of Science degree from Mountainview College during their years at DHS. They're believed to be the first at Duncanville ISD to do both, but they will soon be followed by many more when the district's Collegiate Academy opens in the fall of 2018.

Remy saw the value of making the most of the college courses offered by the partnership between Duncanville High School and Mountainview College.

"I'll go to college and I won't have to take those extra classes that were offered here for free," she said.



Remy Simpson/DHS Senior

Skills USA Competitors Qualify for Nationals



Duncanville High School SkillsUSA students who advanced from district competitions recently competed in various state contests in Corpus Christi. Four students earned scores at the state contest that have qualified them for the National SkillsUSA contest in Louisville, Kentucky in June: Career Pathways: Cosmetology – **Yasmine Hopkins, Sophia Luong and Micah Watson**



Christopher Hall/DHS Senior

Christopher Hall is the first in his family to go to college. He'll be enrolling as a junior next fall at the University of Texas – Austin's McComb School of International Business with a full scholarship.

Christopher credits DHS history teacher Christopher Dugdale with encouraging him to take dual credit classes and to graduate high school with a college degree.

"I'm grateful Remy and I were among the first to do it, and I'm glad Duncanville is able to provide students with such a great curriculum," Christopher said.

Christopher has been a Duncanville ISD student since prekindergarten. His college degree is an Associate of Science. He plans to pursue international business at UT and one day work at the State Department.

Read [more](#).

Celebrate April's Made With Pride Honorees

This is the second year in a row these students are advancing to the National Competition.

T-Shirt Design – **Diego Flores**

All competitors from the state of Texas will be wearing Diego's design at the National Competition. See more results [here](#).

Varsity Soccer Teams Win Bi-District Championships



The boys and girls varsity soccer teams both ended successful seasons as Bi-District Champions.

The girls varsity team met two of its primary goals by taking first in district and moving beyond the first round of playoffs.

The boys soccer team ended its season with a record of 18-2-2. The team also brought home the third District Championship in the past four years. Coach Nuno



Passos won district Coach of the Year.



Wafa Husein, the Library/Media Specialist at Smith Elementary, is the Made with Pride in Duncanville – Teacher of the month. She has a great sense of humor and is always willing to help teachers. Ms. Husein launched morning announcements on video and has been instrumental in implementing new technology tools in the classroom. She fosters positive relationships with students, families and community members. Ms. Husein has created a library that serves as an inviting, professional and busy hub for students, staff and the community.

Amber Siddiqui, a sophomore at Duncanville High School, is the Made with Pride in Duncanville – Student of the month. Amber is a clarinet player who has made the All-Region band for the past four years. She is a member of Health Occupations Students of America, Distributive Education Clubs of America, Interact Club and Student Council. Amber volunteers in the community, helping doctors check vital signs at local homeless shelters monthly. She participated in an internship at UT Southwestern called H-Prep

Veronica Guillen, Instructional Bilingual Aide at Merrifield, is the Made with Pride in Duncanville – Staff of the month. Ms. Guillen volunteered to help students and teachers before becoming a full-time employee. She is committed to student learning and assists teachers with challenging students. Ms. Guillen goes above and beyond her job by helping with carnivals, creating engaging bulletin boards, treats for teachers and exciting holiday door decorations. She paid for some materials out of her own pocket, and she does it all with a smile and a kind spirit!

Apply for Summer School Positions Now



Summer School applications are now being accepted for teachers, secretaries, instructional aides, counselors and a testing coordinator. Please click [here](#) to apply.



Upcoming Events:

The Duncanville ISD Education Foundation 21st Anniversary Awards Dinner, Saturday, April 29 honoring DHS Associate Principal, Flo Judd. For ticket information, click [here](#).

Duncanville ISD Job Fair, Saturday, April 29, 8:00 a.m. - noon, 900 W. Camp Wisdom Road, Duncanville: District is seeking teachers, bus drivers, custodians and food service employees for the 2017-2018 school year.



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