



DREHER HIGH SCHOOL

2020-2021 AAAA RENAISSANCE SCHOOL

Academics Arts Activities Athletics



Jazhara Solan (above) and **Leon Wang** (below) were admitted to Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



Leon Wang is the Subway SC Male Student Athlete of the Year.



Leon Wang (above) and **Zoe Maltarich** (right) qualified for the National Chemistry Olympiad.

Achievements in Academics

US New and World Report named Dreher the **9th best high school in South Carolina** and **second best in the Midlands**.

Jamie Porter (right) was selected as Heyward Technology and Career Center's Student of the Year.



In the Class of 2021 were

- 19 Palmetto Fellows Candidates,
- 48 High School Scholars/ Academic All-Stars,
- 40 graduates of the AP Institute,
- 40 graduates of the Engineering and Science Academy,
- 45 graduates of the Humanities Academy, and
- 46 graduates from the Fine Arts Academy.

Based upon AP exams taken by this year's seniors through May 2021, Dreher recorded **16 AP Scholars, 8 AP Scholars with Honor, and 16 Scholars with Distinction**.

End-of-Course (EOC) Assessment Scores in all four areas tested (English, Algebra, US History, Biology) were above State averages.

Our four-year cohort **graduation rate** for the Class of 2021 was 88.1% - above the State average.

In the graduating class of 2021 were **19 AP Capstone Diploma Recipients** and an additional **14 Capstone Diploma Candidates**.

Mock Trial Team members **Gabriella Cruz** and **Catherine Willm** were awarded SC Bar's Mock Trial Scholarships.



Talia Maldonado (left) was awarded nearly \$66,000 in scholarships to Furman University. **James Welch** (right) won a competitive Teaching Fellows Award worth \$24,000 at U of SC and received the District's Stevenson Music Scholarship



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Committing to pursuing the arts in college were:

Pierson DeJames, Dance at College of Charleston

Eliana Pinckney, Musical Theatre at Temple.

Mary Smith, Theatre/Music at Newberry.

Breckin Marple, Theatre at American Academy for Dramatic Arts.

Enrique Garcia, Sound Engineering at Savannah College of Art and Design.

Kevin Slade, Music Education at Howard.

and at U of SC:

Catherine Gillam and Peyton Hagen, Carolina Band.

Hallie Tam, Music Industry.

Bryson Stakely, Jazz Studies.

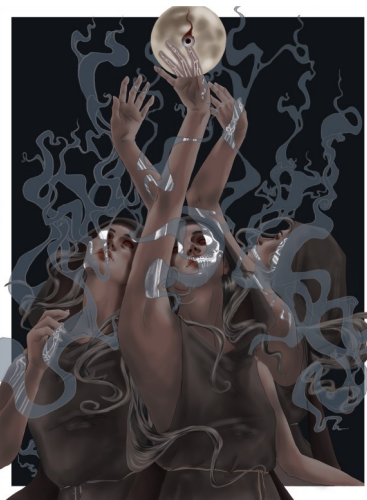
James Welch, Music Education.

Anna Swearingen, Vocal Performance.



Layla Davis's digital work on the theme of "What it Means to be a Man" was selected by the SC Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault for their statewide awareness campaign.

Layla Davis (below) and Gayle Boyd won Golden Key Awards from the Alliance for Young Artists and Writers. Julia Gonzalez-Del-Valle won the Silver Key Award.



Catherine Akhvediani, Blake Craig, Samuel Schatz, and Eleanor Wachtel (alternate) were named to the All-State Orchestra.

Dreher singers selected to All-State Chorus were **Hannah Ammons, Alexandria Brown, Deronne Davis, Arrington Jones, Ella Parker-Harley, Morgan Schmidt, and Lucy Semmelmeier.**

Named to the All-State Guitar Ensemble were **Ethan Adams, Sean Adams, Enrique Garcia, Margaret Grayson Moss, Mason Sonefeld, Ellie Spicer, Hannah White and Rion Williams.**

Achievements in the Arts

Thespians earning Superior Ratings at the **Palmetto Dramatics Association/SC International Thespian Society (PDA/SCITS)** competition and thereby qualifying for nationals were **Kristin Adelle Fuller, Arrington Jones, Sofia Jones, Emmi Lee, Eliana Pinckney, Anna Swearingen, Melody Driggers and William Barr.**

Eliana Pinckney and Anna Swearingen won \$1000 scholarships at PDA/SCITS.

All-State Band members are **Julia Benitez-Nelson, Lauren Grier, Elizabeth Nobles, Emma Marie Rowland, Bryson Stakely, and Daniel Wright.**



Julia Benitez-Nelson (left) and **Alton Blake Craig** (right) won first place scholarship awards from the Music Clubs Scholarship Fund.



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Signing to play in college were:

Sophie Burkett, soccer at Coker.

Jordan Foy, football at Concordia College.

Landon Harrison, basketball at Newberry.

Shane Keup, baseball at Winthrop.

Jaida Mack, track at Columbia College.

Claude Mattison, football at Methodist

Eseose Amora Okoduwa, track at Converse.

Jania Roberts, beach volleyball at Spartanburg Methodist.

Devario Sheppard, basketball at Newberry.



Eseose Amora Okoduwa is All-State in track.



Bryson Harper is All-American in wrestling.

Shane Keup is All-State in baseball.



Samuel Kolowith achieved All-State status on both cross country and track teams.

Achievements in Athletics



Amber Burton is All-State in basketball.



Jane Koch is state champion in the 50-yard freestyle and All-State in swimming.



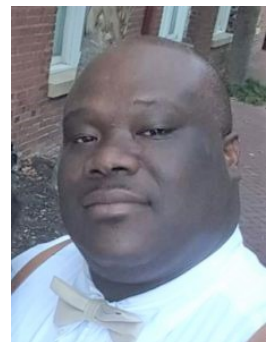
Micaiah Settles is All-State in football. His teammate **Joshua Smith** was Honorable Mention.

Outstanding Activities



Theatre director and teacher **Kathleen Pennyway** was named the SC Theatre Association's Outstanding Mentor Teacher. Ms. Pennyway is also Secretary for the Thespian Chapter of SC.

Damien Jackson, beloved husband, father, math teacher, coach of football and track, and True Blue Devil from the Class of '96, died on March 29, 2021. Rest in peace, Coach Jack.





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Dreher's Proud Principal

Kevin J. Hasinger



We are so proud of our Class of 2022 National Scholars!



Our 2022 National Merit Semifinalists are (left to right) Cassandra Escorcia, Shane Keup, and Zoe (Zuzu) Maltarich.

These honors are based upon the PSAT these students took in October 2020.



Our 2022 National Commended Scholars are Ada Shavo (left) and Parker Shea (right) .

