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# Omari's Success Story ...

"I am Kokomo High School Class of 2022 graduate Omari Solomon, the son of William and Elizabeth Solomon. I graduated from KHS as an International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Candidate with Academic Honors and earned Magna Cum Laude honors. I must thank Kokomo Schools for preparing me to be successful at the college level, while helping me learn to prioritize my workload. I was given so many opportunities for advancement at Kokomo High School, especially through its many rigorous Advanced Placement (AP) courses and IB Diploma courses. Because of these academic opportunities at KHS, I will begin college with 20 credits.

"One of my favorite academic memories was preparing for our PYP (Primary Years Program) Showcase Exhibition at Lafayette Park Elementary. That was a huge project, but I enjoyed the research, and it was the first time I felt "grown-up" academically. So many Kokomo Schools educators helped me during my journey but my 4th-grade teacher, Mrs. Amy Henderson, was a major influence because she cared for me as if I were one of her children. Also, my KHS counselor, Mrs. Brittanie Davis, was always ready to listen and she helped me outline a plan.

"After considering scholarship offers from Indiana State, Manchester, Morehouse, University of Evansville, and Valparaiso, I decided to attend Indiana University on the IUPUI campus while accepting several academic scholarships, including the IUPUI Dean of Science Award, an IUPUI Pledge Grant, and the Jaguar Excellence Academic Award. I plan to study Biology with a Pre-Medicine concentration with a goal of working as a doctor in one of our local hospitals, providing care to patients while giving back to my Kokomo community. I wish to thank the local sponsors for the following honors: the Dr. Dan Hogan Scholarship, the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Martin Luther King Scholarship, the Miriam Louise Showalter Fessaguet Scholarship, and the Lynn Dewhurst Memorial Scholarship."

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*The Kokomo High School Class of 2022 has handled this ongoing pandemic with grace and flexibility. These seniors adapted to procedures in their classrooms, in athletics, and in extracurriculars; while setting an amazing example for our younger students. The academic, athletic, and musical achievements – as well as the leadership and service efforts – of this class will be remembered. Some students in the Class of 2022 helped Wildkat Winter Winds, Winter Guard, and Vocal Jazz qualify for the State Finals; and they helped KHS earn a High School All Choir Award and a High School All Band Award.*

*The KHS College Prep Academy features Advanced Placement (AP) courses (corporation pays all AP exam fees), an authorized International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program, Project Lead the Way engineering classes, and a fine arts graduation pathway. Helping this Senior class earn more than \$7 million in scholarships were 10 Summa Cum Laude graduates and 14 who earned Magna Cum Laude honors.*

*Congrats to all KHS Class of 2022 graduates. If you would like to join the KHS academic family, please contact Principal Angela Blessing via email at [ablessing@kokomo.k12.in.us](mailto:ablessing@kokomo.k12.in.us).*

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