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Stewart County Selects Maurice Culpepper as 2024 STAR Student

Stewart County High School is proud to announce that the 2024 STAR student is Maurice Culpepper Jr. Maurice is the son of Mr. Maurice Culpepper Sr. & Ms. LaQuita Culpepper of Lumpkin, GA. Maurice is an active student participates in FBLA, TSA, Gifted Program, and Dual Enrollment Program.

Maurice has been was selected as STAR STUDENT by receiving the highest SAT score in the senior class. Maurice has also achieved the highest scores on the following tests: ASVAB / PSAT/ EOCT. Maurice is also an Honor Roll student. He has achieved the highest grades in ELA, Math, Science and Social Studies courses. After Graduation, Maurice plans to enlist U.S. Space Force which is a new branch of the U.S. Military, which was created and organized under the U.S. Air Force in 2019. He has already been to MEPs. He also plans to obtain a degree in Graphic Design and Animation.

Maurice says he chose Ms. Hunter as his STAR Teacher because she always encouraged him to think outside the box, made sure he was on task, and always gave him the help he needed. Ms. Hunter has been teaching in Stewart County for 18 years. She was Maurice's 5th Grade Math and Science.

Ms. Hunter describes Maurice as an unforgettable scholar. Ms. Hunter says Maurice was a student who "taught me the concept that teaching is not one size fits all. Maurice challenged me as a teacher and for that lesson I will forever be grateful." Ms. Hunter also says, "To be chosen as a STAR Teacher is indescribable, for a student to bestow such an honor on me! The joy of teaching is not about accolades but about the joy of seeing scholars like Maurice succeeding."

Stewart County Schools is proud to have both Maurice Culpepper and Ms. Vachon Hunter representing them in the Georgia Student Teacher Achievement Recognition (STAR) program. The STAR program honors Georgia's highest achieving high school seniors and the teachers who have been most instrumental in their academic development. Congratulations Maurice and Ms. Hunter! (see page 2 of this document for photos)

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Maurice Culpepper Jr.



Ms. Vachon-Hunter

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