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Brians's Success Story ...

"I am Kokomo High School Class of 2021 graduate Brian Linus Ngatunga, the son of Peter Linus and Juliana John. I am an International student from Tanzania. I joined Kokomo High School in unprecedented times during my senior year. The COVID-19 pandemic and the closure of the U.S. Embassy in Tanzania forced me to complete most of my first semester virtually from Tanzania. At times, the virtual program was challenging due to low internet connectivity and power outages in Tanzania.

"Despite these obstacles, I persevered and participated in my classes by contributing to discussions and asking questions. I am an extreme extrovert; and so, I wasn't afraid to interact with both in-person and virtual students at KHS through the video conferencing technology. The students at Kokomo High School were awesome even before I arrived in the United States. Every day, virtually, they asked when I would be in Kokomo. The KHS students embodied positive energy. I thank my KHS teachers for their commitment and passion for helping students learn. I also must thank Kokomo School Corporation officials for investing in technology that made learning accessible, even to virtual students many miles away.

"I completed 3 Advanced Placement classes and took 3 AP exams through the KHS Advanced College Preparatory Academy. While at KHS, I lived in the Kokomo Schools Residence Hall in downtown Kokomo. I was a member of the KHS International Student Council and the KATS Together Group. Because of my experiences at Kokomo High School both virtually and in person, I am confident that I am prepared for both college and life.

"I look forward to attending a U.S. college in the fall to earn a degree in computer science to become a software engineer. I plan to use my education to develop solutions that will help schools in Tanzania improve digital learning by making academic materials more accessible. I see myself as a global citizen, problem-solver, and leader, in the years to come."

B. Linus

[BRIAN LINUS NGATUNGA]



The Kokomo High School Class of 2021 definitely has experienced unprecedented times during its final school year of high school. These KHS seniors have persevered to a stressful environment by being adaptable and flexible, while continuing to pursue academic excellence.

Even though Kokomo Schools could not do our annual Onward "group" photo session, the Onward Committee believed it was important that the KHS Class of 2021 not miss this opportunity. Individual photo sessions were scheduled throughout the day so the Kokomo School Corporation could meet pandemic protocols while celebrating student success.

The KHS College Prep Academy features 25 Advanced Placement (AP) courses (corporation pays all AP exam fees), an authorized International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma program, Project Lead the Way engineering classes, and an award-winning Music and Arts programs.

Congrats to all KHS Class of 2021 graduates. If you would like to join the KHS academic family, please contact Principal Angela Blessing via email at ablessing@kokomo.k12.in.us.

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