

City of Smyrna presents

The Red Carpet

Mayor's Education Awards

Dinner & Ceremony

Smyrna Community Center

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Program

Welcome & Introductions

Mark Owens

*16 year In-Game Host for the Atlanta Braves
and Smyrna Native*

Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance

Rev. Brian Sullivan

St. Benedict's Episcopal School

Opening Remarks

Mayor Derek Norton

Presentation of Special Recognition Awards

Presentation of Outstanding Student Awards

Closing Remarks



The Mayor's Education Awards began in 2006, and Mayor Derek Norton is proud to carry on the tradition of honoring outstanding students and educators for academic excellence and citizenship.

"It is our pleasure to honor this year's recipients at The Red Carpet Mayor's Education Awards Dinner & Ceremony! It is so important to give special recognition to our students and educators in Smyrna. I hope this evening will be a truly memorable experience for everyone. A huge congratulations to our well-deserving 2022-2023 honorees!"

-Mayor Derek Norton

ARGYLE ELEMENTARY

Georgette Clinton, Principal

Outstanding Student Award Recipients

**Mason Chapman
Tyren Gordon
Divania Medina**

Teacher of the Year Nominee. **Jenifer Mitacek**
Business Partner of the Year Nominee. **My Friends & Me**

BELMONT HILLS ELEMENTARY

Dr. Ashley Campoli, Principal

Outstanding Student Award Recipients

**Yandel Martinez
Bryttany Vences-Gomez
Tony Vences-Gomez**

Teacher of the Year Nominee. **Nerlie Alexandre**
Volunteer of the Year Nominee **Dan Scoggins**
Business Partner of the Year Nominee. **My Friends & Me**

CAMPBELL HIGH SCHOOL

Dr. Vanessa Watkins, Principal

Outstanding Student Award Recipients

**Komang Ardani
Peyton Bedgood
Rogelio Romero**

Teacher of the Year Nominee. **Amanda Connell**
Volunteer of the Year Nominee **Richard & Iretha Holmes**
Business Partner of the Year Nominee **Modern Woodmen of America**

CAMPBELL MIDDLE SCHOOL

Dr. Camille Havis, Principal

Outstanding Student Award Recipients

**Finn McQuade
Zoe Stemphil
Saisruthi Vijaykarthikk**

Teacher of the Year Nominee. **Brittani Clark**
Business Partner of the Year Nominee. **Zaxby's**

GREEN ACRES ELEMENTARY

Ashley Mize, Principal

Outstanding Student Award Recipients

**Christopher Figueroa-Herrera
Laura-Marie Mantilla
Leena McDowell**

Teacher of the Year Nominee. **Sonya Henry**
Business Partner of the Year Nominee. . . **Atlanta Braves Foundation**

GRIFFIN MIDDLE SCHOOL

Dr. Lorelee Hill, Principal

Outstanding Student Award Recipients

**Alyssa Hall
Maya Howard
Thomas Kelly**

Teacher of the Year Nominee. **Raven Wildermuth-Akali**
Volunteer of the Year Nominee **Dana Hoffman**
Business Partner of the Year Nominee. **Zaxby's**

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY OF SMYRNA

Ashley Haney, Head of School

Outstanding Student Award Recipients

**Camille Days
Luis Del Angel Hernandez
Bradley Louison**

Teacher of the Year Nominee. **Brandi Dixon**
Volunteer of the Year Nominee **Alma Lopez**
Business Partner of the Year Nominee . **Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.,
Cobb Alumni Chapter**

KING SPRINGS ELEMENTARY

Dr. Cindy Szwec, Principal

Outstanding Student Award Recipients

**Kendall Abney
Charlotte Caylor
Riley McCain**

Teacher of the Year Nominee. **Hannah McAlpine**
Volunteer of the Year Nominee **Sheena Stransky**
Business Partner of the Year Nominee. . . . **Restore Hyper Wellness**

NICKAJACK ELEMENTARY

Dr. Timeka L. Cline, Principal

Outstanding Student Award Recipients

**Kennedy Godbolt
Elijah Gordon
Layla Oppong**

Teacher of the Year Nominee. **Amanda Schmidt**
Volunteer of the Year Nominee **Shaun Black**
Business Partner of the Year Nominee. **Fast Signs**

NORTON PARK ELEMENTARY

Kendall Foster, Principal

Outstanding Student Award Recipients

**Edwin Cruz Flores
Crue Furlong
Heba Lodin**

Teacher of the Year Nominee. **Jennifer Chandler**
Volunteer of the Year Nominee **Maggie Grosse**
Business Partner of the Year Nominee. **Smyrna Public Library**

RUSSELL ELEMENTARY

Tammy Watson, Principal

Outstanding Student Award Recipients

**Ivanna Alvarez-Salgado
Amara Nkumeh
Avery Parrish**

Teacher of the Year Nominee. **Tiffany Draper**
Volunteer of the Year Nominee **Cindy Stigall**
Business Partner of the Year Nominee. **Bethany United Methodist**

SMYRNA ELEMENTARY

Sharon Arduino, Principal

Outstanding Student Award Recipients

**Scarlett Ortiz
GianLuigi Rincon
Emma Simms**

Teacher of the Year Nominee. **Kate Osborne**
Volunteer of the Year Nominee **Kamma Manion**
Business Partner of the Year Nominee. **Fruitea Bubbles**

ST. BENEDICT'S EPISCOPAL SCHOOL

Rev. Brian Sullivan, Head of School

Outstanding Student Award Recipients

**Divena Bhatia
Camryn Dean
Alexa Ganeriwal**

Teacher of the Year Nominee. **Melissa Crimminger**
Volunteer of the Year Nominee **Devyn Baklini**
Business Partner of the Year Nominee. **ITEACH at Kennesaw State**

TEASLEY ELEMENTARY

Leslie Mansfield, Principal

Outstanding Student Award Recipients

**Jai Gala
Tony Menefee
Kate Padron**

Teacher of the Year Nominee. **Deborah Oliver**
Volunteer of the Year Nominee **Monica Langley**
Business Partner of the Year Nominee. **Passion City Church**

WHITEFIELD ACADEMY

Dr. Kevin Bracher, Head of School

Outstanding Student Award Recipients

**Sarah Berry
Lucy Blee
Erynn Greenwood**

Teacher of the Year Nominee. **Rebecca Brown**
Volunteer of the Year Nominee **Nakeya Bazemore**
Business Partner of the Year Nominee. **PT Solutions**



Special Recognition Award Honorees

Teacher of the Year

Sonya Henry
Green Acres Elementary

Volunteer of the Year

Dana Hoffman
Griffin Middle School

Business Partner of the Year

Passion City Church
Teasley Elementary

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Mark Owens

Mark Owens is a proud Smyrna native, with family roots extending back almost 100 years. He is a 20-year Atlanta Radio veteran with stops at The Bert Show on Q100, 99X, 929 The Game and co-host of Jenn and Friends on Star 94.1. Mark served as the Atlanta Braves in-game host for 16 seasons, including the Braves historic World Series Championship run in 2021. Currently Mark works in the Radio/TV division at Impact Partnership hosting radio shows across the country. He lives in Bennett Woods with his wife Gretchen and daughter Caroline who attends King Springs Elementary. On the weekends, you can find Mark leaving divots at Fox Creek, calling the Dawgs in Athens, or sitting in the back pew at Smyrna First United Methodist Church.

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Mayor

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