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EDUCATION

Branksome Hall Asia (BHA)

Jan 2014 - Present

- *GPA: 43/45; IB Predicted Grade: 44/45*
- *SAT Scores: Math 770 | Evidence-Based Reading and Writing 730*
- *TOEFL: 115 / 120 (as of Oct 16 2024)*

LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY IMPACT

The Branksome Bear *Creator*

January 2023 - August 2024

- Bear Sculpture Installation (about 2m x 3m) @Branksome Hall Asia
- Launched for school spirit and to promote the school mascot, encouraging creativity in school for students who purely enjoy expressing their ideas

POWER Movement, *Founder*

August 2023 - Present

- Extended project of the Branksome Bear
- Expanded to 10 schools across South Korea, each installing their own mascots or symbols, embodying the belief that a single person can spark significant change, emphasized importance of personal sovereignty and the power of creativity.

Global Music Dialogue *Founder & President*, Nonprofit (G10 - Ongoing)

August 2023 - Present

- Interactive platform for global artists: bridging cultural divides and uniting musicians worldwide, fostering cross-cultural collaboration, celebrating diverse musical traditions

Prefect Council Admissions Prefect (G11, 12)

March 2023 - Present

- Elected by 300+ students, organized student life, athletics, admissions, boarding, etc; encouraged a spirit of inclusion and sustainability school-wide
- Led weekly meetings, organized open houses and information sessions; participated in school tours; Led student ambassador training club to foster more student ambassadors

MUSIC & EXTRACURRICULARS

Sonic Sculpture

October 2023 - July 2024

- Programming and crafting three unique instruments utilizing Arduino and Fusion 360 program

Symphony Orchestra *member (G7/8), First Flute Section Leader (G9/10/11)*

August 2019 - June 2022

- First Flute Section Leader
- Learned cooperation and collaboration among different instruments, performing a wide range of music repertoire on various occasions in the community.

2021 International Competition Romania Pitesti (piano) *1st place*

- Organized by Romania Pitesti Philharmonic Orchestra, 200+ Participants
- Performed Frederic Chopin Étude Op. 10, No. 12

2021 3rd Online International Music Competition - Czech (piano) *1st place*

- Organized by Music School "Zdenka Buriana" Koprivnice, CMS Vienna
- Performed Frederic Chopin Fantaisie-Impromptu in C# minor, Op.66

2023 39th Hwarang International Music Competition (flute) *Grand Prize*

- Organized by the Hwarang Association, 100+ participants
- Performed Flute Concerto in G major, K.313

2024 28th Korea Mozart International Music Concours (piano) *Piano Section Grand Prix*

- Organized by The Association of Music Professors of Korea
- Performed Schubert: Impromptu No. 3 in G-Flat Major, Op. 90, D. 899

2024 Artolab International Music Competition - Czech Praha (piano) *1st place*

- Schubert: Impromptu No. 3 in G-Flat Major, Op. 90, D. 899

ACADEMIC & RESEARCH ACHIEVEMENTS

2022 International Social Science Conference for Youth (ISSCY) Publication

- [The Impact of Covid-19 on Terrorism Trends](#)
- Considered political, psychological, and international perspectives, examining how terrorist organizations exploit crises to attract recruits, offering simple answers and scapegoating marginalized groups.

Extended Essay: The Study of Behavioral Economics in the Healthcare System of South Korea, *Primary Author*

- IB Subject: Economics
- Explored Economics of Advanced Healthcare Directives; analyzed public policy with economic principles and applied ethical consideration

2022 John Locke Essay Competition *Commendation Awards*

- Politics - "What, if anything, do rich nations owe poor nations?"

- Applied Rawls' theory to examine how ethical complexities and power dynamics shapes the Global North's moral obligations to aid the Global South.

2023 Immerse Education Essay Competition Awards + 30% Oxbridge Summer Camp scholarship

- Law - Examine the meaning and significance of 'fault' within criminal law"
- Conducted an in-depth analysis of 'fault' as a factor in both attributing guilt and mitigating a defendant's legal responsibility

Internship in Embassy of Ecuador Intern

March 2023 - April 2023

- Worked as an intern in Department of Commerce as an assistant and translator
- Participated in organizing the Macrorrueda Ecuador Business Matchmaking Forum

The 25th Diplomatic International Forum of Seoul, Junior Counselor

January 2022

- Presentation under the topic of "The Economy under Pandemic and afterward"
- Designed to give young people a new awareness of various countries with different cultures, an international perspective, and an opportunity to cultivate their skills and qualities as a diplomat with a global mindset

Trial Titans Mock Trial Club, Founder (G11)

August 2023 - Present

- Gained law-related abilities, debate skills, and further knowledge about politics and ongoing global issues
- inviting professionals for a workshop, acquiring further skills by having direct experience through the connection with professionals.

LANGUAGE & SKILLS

Language: Korean (Native), English (Highly Proficient)

Skills: ABRSM Flute Level 5 (Distinction) & 7 (Merit)