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PICS | Local pupils achieve top marks in IEB, Cambridge examinations

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The Independent Examination Board (IEB) and Cambridge matriculants said they were relieved after receiving their matric results on Monday afternoon.

Many local pupils performed exceptionally well, with top achievers from St Charles College, Epworth School and Kearsney College.

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Epworth's Jenna Kunz received eight distinctions and was in the top five percent in six or more of her subjects, which placed her on the IEB's outstanding achievers list nationally. Kunz said she was elated by her results and that she did not expect to do as well as she did.

"I'm just so excited that my hard work paid off," Kunz said.

She wants to study electronic engineering with a specialisation in data engineering at Stellenbosch University.



I am excited for this new chapter of my life as it will bring change, and studying away from home will teach me how to stand on my own two feet.

Kearsney's Ryan Browning and Jack White obtained eight distinctions each and were on the IEB commendable list. Browning said he was "nothing short of ecstatic" when he received his results.

Browning said he wants to study chemical engineering at Stellenbosch University.

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White said he was proud of his achievements and would like to study actuarial sciences at UCT as he loves statistics and mathematics.

St Charles College and Hilton College saw multiple distinctions in both AS and A-Level subjects following the Cambridge exam sittings.

Thomas Brown ended his Cambridge career on an unexpectedly high note, receiving six distinctions for his AS-Level and three A-stars for his A-Levels, which means he achieved between 90-100%.

"There was some doubt, but all my efforts paid off," Brown said.

His three A-stars were in mathematics, physics and chemistry.

Sanjay Tallapaneni also brought home distinctions with four As for his AS-Levels, an A and three A-Stars for his A-Levels. His A-stars were also achieved in mathematics, physics and chemistry.

Tallapaneni said he was really happy with the results he achieved and that he is leaning toward studying either actuarial sciences or medicine at the UCT.

Top Cambridge achiever from Hilton College, William Chien, achieved the highest in the A-Level programme since its introduction in 2021. Chien received A-Level scholar of the year and achieved three A-stars for physics, mathematics and accounting.

The Wykeham Collegiate's pupil, Atiya Vally, who attained eight distinctions, wants to study chemical engineering at the University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN) in Durban.

Hilton College's Joshua Julius, who achieved nine distinctions, and William Kitching, who achieved eight distinctions, along with the school's scholar of the year, Richard Eyres who attained seven distinctions with an average of 92%, will be attending the University of Cape Town (UCT), where they will study actuarial sciences, medicine and business science respectively.

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Both saw their matric year as challenging, however, it was a bittersweet moment when it came to finally leaving.

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For five years, Hilton was home and it was an amazing time.

“I ended my year off on a good note,” Kitching said.



*Hilton College's top achiever in Cambridge,
William Chien.*



*Kearsney College's Ryan Browning received
eight distinctions.*



Hilton College pupil William Kitching.



Hilton College's Joshua Julius attained nine distinctions for the IEB exam.



Epworth School's Jenna Kunz obtained eight distinctions.



Kearsney College's Jack White received eight distinctions.



*The Wykeham Collegiate top achiever,
Atiyya Vally.*

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