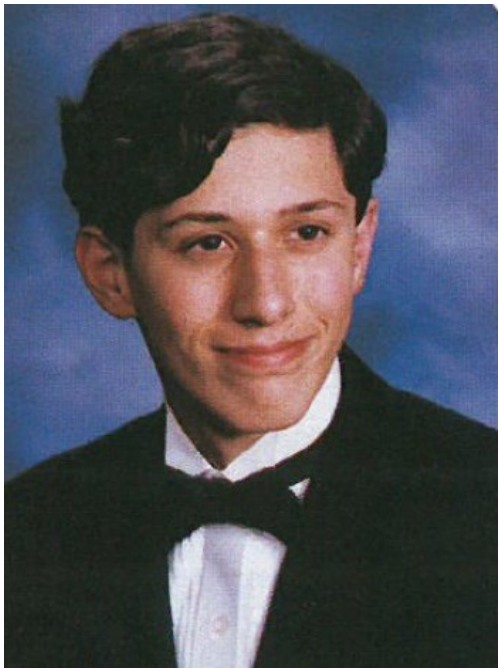


# Graduate Spotlight

Southeast Raleigh Magnet High School



**David Page - Class of 2002**

Software Developer - SAS

“The IT courses gave me a leg up in learning skills sooner, and giving me a better idea of direction - what interested me, what didn't..”

“I had computer science courses (programming is what I do for a living) and Cisco Academy courses (which was more infrastructure, embedded systems and hardware, which is what I studied in college).

“Having a background in both has been invaluable, as well as focusing my selection of majors in college.”

“I was active in STEM (Web Development team, the FIRST robotics team, Science Olympiad) and non STEM areas (technical theatre, swim team), each with their own benefits and challenges. I'm glad I didn't pigeon hole myself into one area too soon.”

