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EDUCATION

George School

Newtown, PA

High School Diploma, College/University Preparatory Program

Sep. 2021 – May 2026

- Took gap year 2024-2025 to focus on competitive programming, winning multiple university contests and exploring machine learning, robotics, and heuristic optimization through deep technical learning
- **Relevant Coursework:** Advanced Programming: Artificial Intelligence, Advanced Physical Computing & Robotics, AP Calculus BC, Linear Algebra

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: C, C++, Java, Python, Swift/SwiftUI, HTML/CSS/JavaScript

Frameworks & Tools: PyTorch, Git, Xcode, iOS Development, CAD, Teensy/Embedded Systems

Areas: Algorithms, Data Structures, Machine Learning, Mobile Development, Embedded Programming, Competitive Programming

PROJECTS

RotateMate – Image Rotation ML Model

github.com/markjough/RotateMate-model

Personal Project

2025 – Present

- Built end-to-end machine learning system to automatically detect and correct mis-rotated images on iOS devices
- Optimized for on-device efficiency: designed 3M parameter model, implemented quantization pipeline, and engineered hardware-accelerated preprocessing to achieve <1ms inference latency on modern NPUs
- Developed complete pipeline from custom dataset creation and PyTorch training to production iOS deployment with Swift/SwiftUI

Competitive Programming Library

github.com/markjough/cp-library

Open Source Project

2023 – Present

- Authored comprehensive library of highly efficient, clean, and generic C++ implementations of advanced data structures and algorithms for competitive programming
- Designed implementations suitable for Codeforces contests, ICPC competitions, and educational reference
- Gained adoption in competitive programming communities for code quality and performance

EXPERIENCE

Algorithms Club – President & Co-Founder

George School

Leadership Position

Sep. 2024 – Present

- Co-founded and lead school's Algorithms Club with 30+ active members
- Organize weekly meetings covering competitive programming techniques, algorithm design, and problem-solving strategies
- Foster collaborative learning environment for students interested in computer science and mathematics

Math Tutor

George School

Volunteer Position

Sep. 2024 – Present

- Provide weekly peer tutoring in advanced mathematics including combinatorics and other topics
- Help students develop problem-solving skills and mathematical intuition through one-on-one instruction

HONORS & AWARDS

USACO Platinum

USA Computing Olympiad

Highest division of premier US high school algorithmic competition

Mar. 2025

Codeforces Master (Rating: 2219)

Codeforces

Top 1% of competitors worldwide in timed algorithmic contests

Aug. 2024

First Place – CMIMC Programming Contest

Carnegie Mellon University

1st overall and 1st in Optimization round, team-based algorithmic challenges

Apr. 2025

First Place – Massachusetts Computer Science Olympiad	MACSO
<i>Won in-person high school finals with 278 participants from 182 schools in 40 countries</i>	<i>Nov. 2024</i>
First Place – PClassic Programming Contest (Advanced)	University of Pennsylvania
<i>1st overall in Advanced Division, four-hour algorithm and data structure contest</i>	<i>Apr. 2024</i>
First Place – TJ Invitational Open in Informatics (TJIOI)	Thomas Jefferson High School
<i>1st overall in two-person team, multi-hour algorithmic coding challenges</i>	<i>Apr. 2024</i>
Second Place – TJIOI	Thomas Jefferson High School
<i>2nd overall in team competition</i>	<i>Apr. 2025</i>
Second Place – CMIMC Programming Contest	Carnegie Mellon University
<i>2nd overall, 1st in both New Language and Optimization rounds</i>	<i>Apr. 2024</i>