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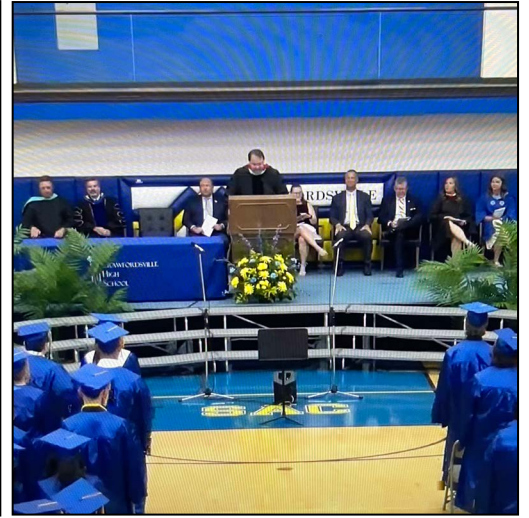
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## Congratulations to the Class of 2023!



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On the evening of Friday, June 2, 2023, the entire 153 classmates of 2023 gathered together to celebrate the end of their four-year high school education.

The Crawfordsville High School band, directed by Jon Tebbe, began the graduation processional with the playing of “Athenians March” followed by “Pomp and Circumstance.”

Attendees were welcomed to the event by class president, Olivia Fichter. Assistant Principal Mark Melton introduced the class valedictorian, Adelyn Morgan and the title of her speech, “Embracing Change.” Following Morgan’s speech was class salutatorian, Claire Edwards’ speech, “Memento Vivere.”

After the speeches, the CHS choir, directed by Jennie Swick, sang “I Was Here” and “I Am Still Your Dreamer.”

Following the speech of Principal Jay Strickland, the class was presented and awarded their diplomas as their name was called. Superintendent Scott Bowling followed with the official congratulations and declaration of the graduates to the class of 2023.





## Students ready for kindergarten

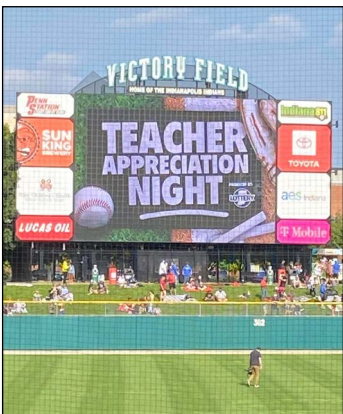
The Willson Preschool students celebrated their graduation by class throughout the last week of school. Students donned their cap and gown and received their graduation certificates.



## American Legion Award winners presented

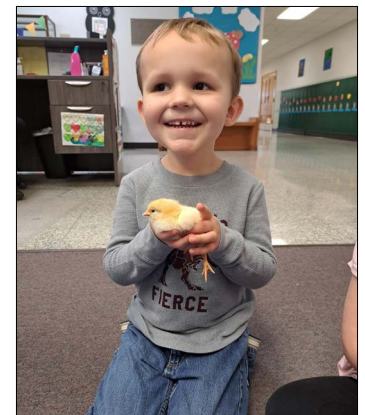
Crawfordsville Middle School held its honors and awards ceremony on May 17 honoring students for numerous academic and athletic achievements. This year's American Legion Award winners were Landon Gerold and Sydney Elizondo. They are pictured above with CMS Principal, Brent Bokhart.

This award represents the highest honor that a student can achieve at Crawfordsville Middle School. It is awarded to students who exhibit the highest levels of courage, honor, leadership, patriotism, scholarship, and service throughout their entire career at Crawfordsville Middle School. The American Legion Award has been given every year since 1963.



## Jones honored at Victory Field

Congratulations to Hoover 5th grade teacher, Mrs. Carrie Jones. Mrs. Jones was recognized as an outstanding teacher by the Indianapolis Indians and Indiana Association of School Principals at Victory Field. Mrs. Jones was unable to attend in person as she was busy exercising her servant's heart by assisting with making food bags for local Montgomery County families.



## Preschoolers explore baby chicks

Willson Preschool students had the opportunity to anticipate and watch baby chicks hatch and then later on were able to touch, hold them, and watch them explore their surroundings.





# Annual Pioneer Day full of fun and learning

The 4th graders at Hoover Elementary had their annual Pioneer Day listening, learning, and making items the old-fashioned way.

Classes began with a story-teller in the cafeteria followed by a variety of stations. Stations provided opportunities to dip and make their own candles, churn their own butter by shaking a small jar of cream, eat their

butter on a biscuit while learning about cooking over a fire, listen and learn about music and how they made instruments, learn about medicine and examine an old medical kit, which happens to be one of only a few remaining, pet chickens and discover egg-laying facts, try their hand at wood carving tools, and kick up their heels for square dancing.

# 4th graders visit local and Indianapolis landmarks



Students completed a walking field trip to local sites including the Lane Place and General Lew Wallace Study and Museum.



Students also had the opportunity to travel to Indianapolis to visit the Statehouse.







## Annual track meet is a blast!

Hoover had a beautiful day for the Annual 5th grade track day at Crawfordsville High School. Students competed in a variety of races and afterward they enjoyed a sack lunch outside at the athletic facility.



## Class ends with a beach party!

Ms. Jones' class at Nicholson ended the year with a beach theme party with related fun and games.



## CMS staff receive special lunch

The CMS A-Team had a staff luncheon to show the CMS staff that they are loved and appreciated for the work they do in the front office, classrooms and many more areas of CMS!



# Students walk the red carpet with new book

Mrs. Gilland's class brought out the red carpet for their Publishing Party on a class book project that began during Kindness Week in February. Their book is titled, "We Put the Kind in Kindergarten!"

During Kindness Week, the class talked about different ways to be kind. Each student wrote how they could be kind and drew a picture to complete their page.

Gilland said, "It was so fun to see their ideas come together, not only being kind, but the writing strategies they have learned over the course of Kindergarten."

To celebrate the project, Gilland transformed the classroom into a red carpet celebration and invited parent to also come and celebrate their accomplishments. Each student got to walk the red carpet and read the audience their page of the book. The party ended with refreshments and parents also had the opportunity to purchase a book.



# Muffins with Mom offers special connection time

Ms. Paxton's class at Hose Elementary hosted a Muffins with Mom event filled with fun activities for everyone to participate. The morning started with breakfast and then continued with planting Marigolds, performing songs, coloring pictures, reading stories, and also taking a special picture with their guest.

Paxton said she loves opportunities to help school life and home life connect for students. She said it helps show how they are supported in both area and how the two can be integrated.

"I love having parental figures in the classroom because it solidifies the child's support systems," she said.

Paxton also said that each child had a mom or special guest that was able to attend so it was extra special.



# Hensley's class performs "The Grouchy Ladybug"

Parents came to a special production of "The Grouchy Ladybug" put on by Mrs. Hensley's class during the last week of school. Students in this kindergarten room each played a part in the story based on Eric Carle's book. Students designed their characters, rehearsed together, created props, and then put on a show for their crowd.

The class also performed two songs they learned about ladybugs including information on how beneficial ladybugs are to the ecosystem.



# DARE graduates receive K9 demonstration



# Hose Elementary Field Day offers many activities

Hose Elementary hosted a field day for all students on Thursday of the last week of school. This event, which helped students celebrate the successful completion of the

school year, was organized by a team of teachers and staff. Students went with their teacher to each station where they completed a unique task or game. Some of the stations

included rock climbing and scooters, minute games, hula hoops, basketball and soccer, parachute, dancing in music, sidewalk chalk in art, and more.

# Smiling faces fill the yard at Nicholson Field Day



# Book Dragons give principal an end-of-the-year party



Students at Hoover celebrated reading over 400,000 minutes throughout the school year! Principal Marci Galinowski was a good sport by letting the students decorate her with toilet paper.