

# Commencement

Wichita Public Schools' One Hundred and Thirty-Seventh Annual Commencement

WICHITA HIGH SCHOOL  
NORTHEAST MAGNET

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT



WEDNESDAY, THE THIRTEENTH OF MAY  
TWO THOUSAND AND FIFTEEN  
SEVEN O'CLOCK P.M.

CENTURY II  
CONVENTION HALL



## MISSION OF NORTHEAST MAGNET HIGH SCHOOL

The mission of Northeast Magnet High School is to provide a four-year program of studies for students who want to focus their education in science, visual arts or law. The magnet areas, in conjunction with an academic core, present an interdisciplinary, integrated curriculum utilizing technology and annual projects to produce a focused, well rounded education. Our goal is to empower students to engage the world creatively, critically, and responsibly.



## SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS

Akasia Farbes, President

Jenny Nguyen, Vice President

Stanley Tran, Secretary

Andrew Potvin, Treasurer



## CLASS OF 2015 MOTTO

"Laughter is Timeless,  
Imagination has no AGE,  
DREAMS are Forever."

*- Walt Disney*



## PROGRAM

Processional . . . . .	“Pomp and Circumstance” by Elgar
Presentation of Colors . . . . .	Marine Corps JROTC C/2ndLt C. Tran, C/2ndLt D. Sundine, C/LCpl J. Trevino, C/PFC S. Miskiewicz
Pledge of Allegiance . . . . .	Akakia Farbes, Class President
Call to Order . . . . .	Elia Brown, Salutatorian
Welcome . . . . .	Matt Creasman, Principal
Special Guest . . . . .	Robert Garner, Exec. Dir. of Secondary Schools
Welcome . . . . .	Valedictorians Arianna Azri, Kirsten Gier, Quailan Homann, Monica Ibarra, Andy Le & Monica Verkinderen
Senior Address . . . . .	Monica Verkinderen & Arianna Azri
Musical Selection . . . . .	Northeast Magnet Band
Senior Address . . . . .	Shannon Cabrera & Akakia Farbes
Senior Recognition	
Visual Arts Award . . . . .	Jenny Long, Visual Arts Magnet Chair
Law & Public Service Award . . . . .	Cheryl Witt, Law Magnet Chair
Science Award . . . . .	Troy Criss, Science Magnet Chair
Presentation of Class . . . . .	Matt Creasman, Principal
Acceptance of Class . . . . .	Lynn Rogers, BOE Member
Awarding of Diplomas . . . . .	Matt Creasman, Principal



## BOARD OF EDUCATION

Sheril Logan, President

Betty Arnold  
Barbara Fuller

Jeff Davis  
Mike Rodee

Joy Eakins  
Lynn Rogers

John Allison, Superintendent of Schools  
Bill Faflick, Assistant Superintendent of High Schools

## NORTHEAST ADMINISTRATION

Matt Creasman, Principal  
Wendy McDaniel, Assistant Principal  
Ernie Sweat, Assistant Principal

## FACULTY AND STAFF

Maria Ackerman	Kenneth Franklin	Jenna Pike
Shabrell Alford	Dusty Francis	Greg Plumlee
Ryan Alford	Shawn Hamm	LaShay Powell
Heidi Becker	Denise Hang	Meredith Radke-Gannon
Justin Bell	Tina Henderson	Sybil Sanusi
Nathan Bengston	Leslie Houser	Alan Schmidt
Candace Bergman	Jessica Humphries-Winfrey	Sue Shah
Kelly Blades	Tom Kiernan	Matt Shaner
Cami Boland	Cody Knutson	Rebecca Simmons
Brenda Calkins	Robin Kluge	Scott Taylor
Rustin Clark	Jennifer Larsen	Heather Thomas
Dale Crady	Jenny Long	Jera Thompson
Heather Czechowski	Dan Manion	Kelsey Thompson
Jackie Collins	Cynthia Marion	Ronda Tolbert
Wanda Como	Darren Marquez	Bruce VanOsdel
Andy Credille	Rod Martens	Leah Ward
Susan Credille	Sharon McCue	Belinda Whitten
Troy Criss	Curt Melzer	Josh Wilbert
Elizabeth Deckard	Susan Meyer	Brooke Wiseman
Marsha Diggs	Skeeter Oketch	Mary Wiseman
Jennifer Donohue	Lance Onstott	Carissa Wissman
Stan Ens	Sarah Oswald	Cheryl Witt
Larry Foster	Drew Patton	Elex Wright



ART



*Zachary Abernathy*

SCIENCE



*Sheema Ahmed*

SCIENCE



*Gabrielle Alexander*

SCIENCE



*Rose-Susie Amadi*

LAW



*Pedro Arambula*

ART



*Arianna Azri*

ART



*Shakala Bagsby*

SCIENCE



*Jordan Bani-Younes*

ART



*Jacob Barnum*



SCIENCE



*Alicia Barton*

ART



*Jaycee Baughman*

SCIENCE



*Stacey Bolder*

SCIENCE



*Waladi Boyd*

LAW



*Christopher Bray*

ART



*Caleb Breese*

ART



*Elia Brown*

SCIENCE



*Reyona Brown*

LAW



*Shannon Cabrera*





*Patiance Campbell*



LAW

*Wayman Carter, III*



LAW

*Bradley Castillo-Serrano*



SCIENCE

*Iain Chapin*



LAW

*Clayton Cheatum*



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*Brianna Cordon*



SCIENCE

*Christopher Criss*



ART

*Jessica Cross*



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*Makayla Cyphers*



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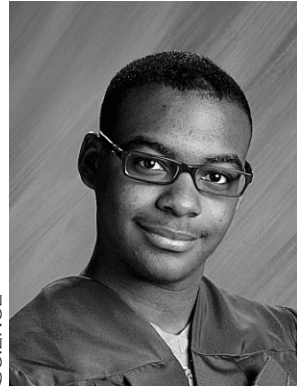
*Maria Diaz*

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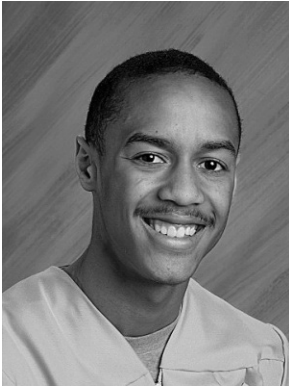
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*Ontario Durden*

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*Samuel Eckels*

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*Brianna Edwards*

ART



*Haley Ens*

SCIENCE



*Nicholas Erskin*

SCIENCE



*Zane Evenson*

LAW



*Akakia Farbes*





ART



*Stephanie Fousel*

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*Christopher Frambers*

ART



*Misha German*

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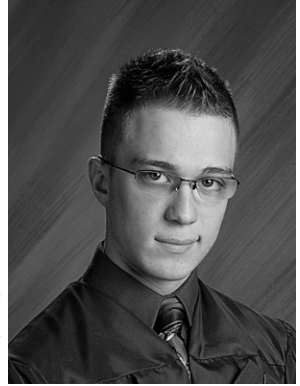
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*Richelle Gier*

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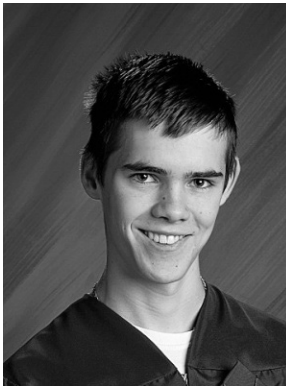
*Connor Gillespie*

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*Josue Gonzalez*

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*Jacob Green*

LAW



*Mosiac Griffin*



ART



*Rachel Hermes*

ART



*Christopher Hill*

LAW



*Erin Holloway*

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*Quailan Homann*

LAW



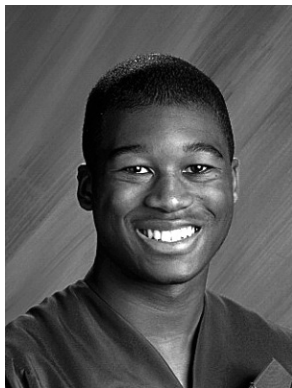
*Aleycia Howell*

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*Monica Ibarra*

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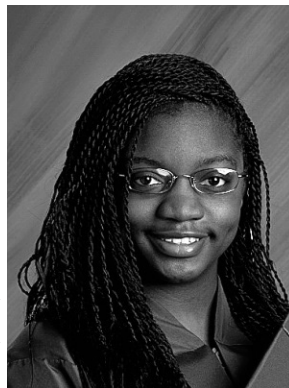
*Hausten Irving*

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*Sydni James*

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*Moriah Jones*



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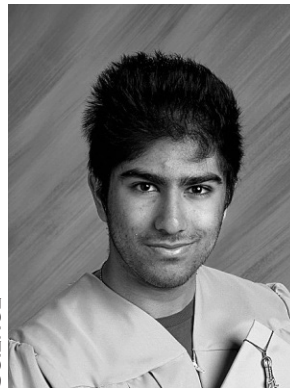
*Kimberly Kaufman*

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*Aqeel Keeling*

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*Momin Khan*

LAW



*Kayauna King*

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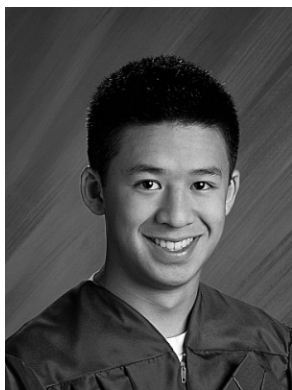
*Jovan Lawless*

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*A.J. Lawrence*

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*Andy Le*

ART



*Adam Longhofer*

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*Steven Lu*





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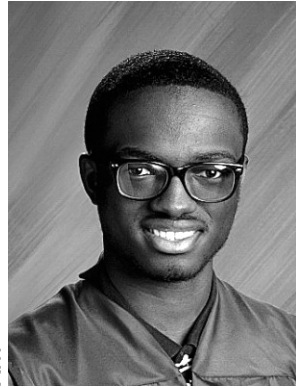
*Ammar Mahdi*

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*Joseph Mai*

ART



*Trejon Manuel*

ART



*Donovan Martin*

ART



*Javier Martinez*

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*Sarah Mason*

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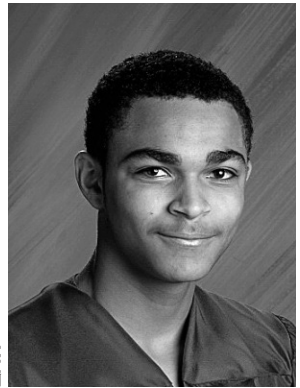
*Jayden Massey*

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*Kayla McNany*

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*Da'Aunte McPhaul*

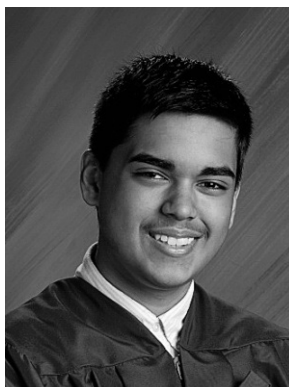


LAW



*Christopher McPherson, Jr.*

ART



*Emiliano Molina*

LAW



*Sterling Moody*

LAW



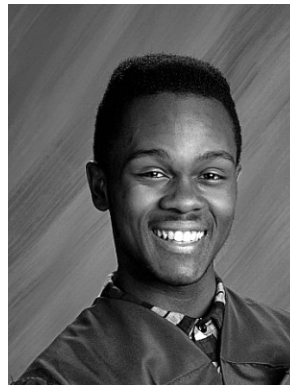
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LAW



*Sychia Moore*

ART



*Zachary Moss*

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*Peynado Nelson*

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*Angela Nguyen*

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*Jenny Nguyen*





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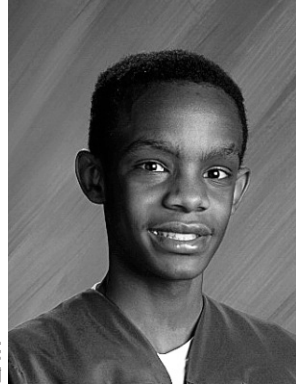
*Andrew Nicholson*

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*Tyler Nolan, Jr.*

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*Bryan Nyagah*

LAW



*Adam Olayan*

LAW



*Isabeau Orozco*

ART



*Allison Orth*

ART



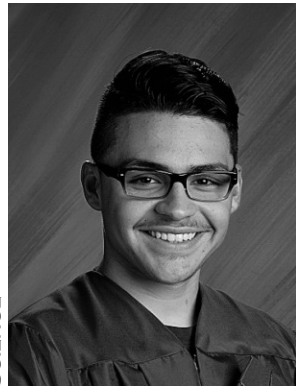
*Mikayla Overton*

LAW



*Jaraya Owen*

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*Esteban Perez*



LAW



*Meagan Perrymore*

LAW



*Amani Porter*

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*Andrew Potvin*

LAW



*Cheyenne Radig*

SCIENCE



*Takoda Ray*

SCIENCE



*Alexis Reed*

LAW



*Journey Reed*

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*Myesha Reed*

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*Ayanna Reed-Steward*



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*Carlos Rice*

ART



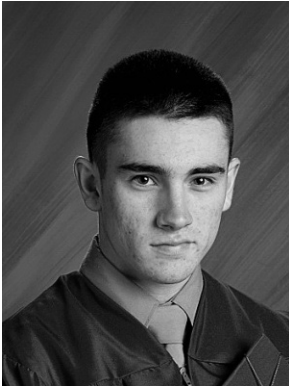
*Shelby Robertson*

ART



*Mariah Rodriguez*

SCIENCE



*Jacob Romero*

LAW



*Kyler Root*

SCIENCE



*Torri Rush*

ART



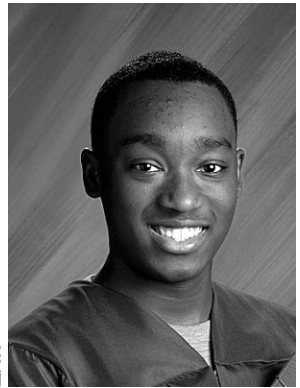
*Julianna Saga*

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*Ricardo Sanchez*

LAW



*Jaelon Sapp*





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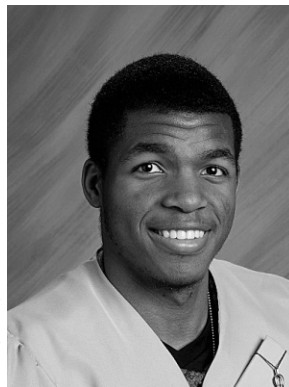
*Josephine Seery*

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*Brionna Smith*

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*Willie Sneed, III.*

ART



*Joshua Talbert*



*Alexandra Taylor*

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*Aspen Thomas*

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*James Tong*

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*Stanley Tran*

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*Brandon Trefethen*



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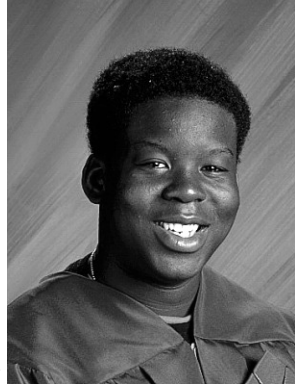
*Amanda Van*

ART



*Nicole Veasey*

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*Andrew Verge*

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*Monica Verkinderen*

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*Cordell Whitetree*

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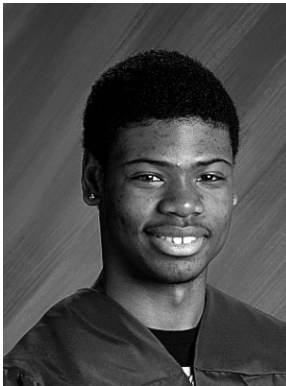
*Elaija Williams*

ART



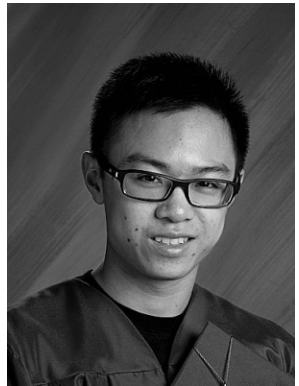
*John Williams*

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*Henry Wilson*

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*Tommy Wong*





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*Mikhail Yeremin*

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*Placido Zapote*

SCIENCE



*Michelle Zheng*

## NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY SENIOR MEMBERS

Quailan Homann, President

Amanda Van, Vice Presidents

Mikhail Yeremin, Secretary

Joseph Mai, Treasurer

Arianna Azri, Student Council Representative

Sheema Ahmed	Brianna Edwards	Angela Nguyen	Takoda Ray
Stacey Bolder	Haley Ensز	Ammar Mahdi	Alexis Reed
Elia Brown	Monica Ibarra	Jenny Nguyen	James Tong
Shannon Cabrera	Momin Khan	Mikayla Overton	Monica Verkinderen
Kayla Dowell	Andy Le	Meagan Perrymore	Tommy Wong
	Steven Lu	Andrew Potvin	



## MAGNET MEDALS & HONOR CORDS

Art Magnet Medal	Purple Ribbon
Science Magnet Medal	Silver Ribbon
Law & Public Magnet Medal	Black Ribbon
National Honor Society	Gold Cord
International Thespian Society	Blue & Gold Cord
Student Council	Silver Cord



## AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Ahmed, Sheema	WSU: \$10,000, WSU Honors College: \$2,500, KU: \$8,000, KSU Medallion Schol. \$2,800 KSU: \$6,000
Azri, Arianna	WSU: \$2,500*, \$1,500*, Friends: \$13,000*, KU: \$1,000*, Bethany Mind Fire: \$2,500*, Cowley \$2,500*
Baughman, Jaycee	Friends University: \$10,500
Boyd, Waladi	Sigma Gamma Rho Schol. \$250
Breese, Caleb	WATC \$500
Brown, Elia	Ft. Hays Bronze Award: \$1,400, Ft. Hays Academic Opportunity Art: \$650, Housing Schol. \$250
Castillo-Serrano, Bradley	Camarena Adelente Foundation Schol. \$1,000
Edwards, Brianna	WSU: \$4,000, Drake University: \$48,000, Newman Univ. \$10,000
Ensz, Haley	KSU Fairchild Schol.: \$1,000, WSU: \$2,000*, Friends University: \$13,000*
German, Misha	Loras Merrit Award: \$19,000*, Loras College Grant: \$1,850*, Loras Music Schol. \$250
Hermes, Rachel	KSU Putnam Schol.: \$9,000
Homann, Quailan	University of Kansas: \$4,000*, KU: \$3,000*, KU: Deans Engineering Schol. \$2,000*
Ibarra, Monica	Jesus Raul & Luz Martinez Schol. \$1,000, WSU Morrison Merrit Schol. \$2,500*, Honors College \$500*
Irving, Hausten	Iowa State George Washington Carver schol. \$19,500*, Officials Against Cancer: \$1,200, Real Men Real Heros: \$500, Beautillion \$8,900
Keeling, Aqeel	WSU: \$750
Khan, Momin	Morrison Merit Schol. \$2,500, WSU Honors Col. Merit Schol. \$500*, KU: \$5,000*
Lawless, Jovan	KSU Memorial Schol. \$1,100, North Carolina A&T; \$3,500*, Hesston College: \$5,000*

\* notes yearly renewable scholarships

Lu, Steven	Cowley Presidential: \$1,000*, Theatre: Full Tuition/Books, Sterling College: \$54,000, Southwestern College, \$5000*, Independence: Full Tuition/Books, Central Christian College: \$16,000, Newman Univ: \$2,000*, \$36,000
Mahdi, Ammar	WSU Freshman Merit Schol. \$2,500
Mai, Joseph	WSU: Morrison Merit Schol. \$10,000
Massey, Jayden	Emporia State \$5,000*, Star Lumber Volunteer Achievement: \$500 books, Wagonmaster Leadership Youth: \$500 books*, Wichita State \$1,000*
Nguyen, Angela	WSU: \$2,500*, KU Rock Chalk Merit Schol. \$1,000*
Nguyen, Jenny	Newman Academic Schol. \$44,000, ASC Leadership (Newman) \$12,000*, Southern Nazarene Academic Schol. \$35,000*
Nolan, Tyler	WSU: \$1,500*, WSU Heritage Schol. \$500*, WATC: \$500*
Overton, Mikayla	Kansas City Art Inst. Merit Schol. \$26,000, WSU Founders Merit Schol. \$2,000, Cowley County Comm. College: Full Tuition/Books, Friends Univ. \$8,500
Ray, Takoda	KSU Medallion Schol. \$2,800*, Memorial Schol. \$800, WSU Morrison Merit Schol. \$2,500
Reed, Alexis	Newman's Merit Schol. \$11,000*, Marquette University Merit Based Schol. \$14,000*
Tran, Stanley	WSU: \$6,000
Van, Amanda	WSU: \$8,000*
Verge, Andrew	Beautillion 40: \$1,582.75
Verkinderen, Monica	Emporia: \$2,400, Emporia Valedictorian Schol. \$500
Wong, Tommy	WSU: \$4,000

By the middle of April, Northeast Magnet Seniors had been offered over \$530,000 dollars in total yearly awards.

## JUNIOR USHERS

Kevin Cao  
Anna Jenney  
Kathy Phan

Kaylee Shadid  
Caleb Soliday

Thomas Spillman  
Audrey Webb  
Jimmy Vu