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### Future Educators Celebrate Signing Day at York Comprehensive High School

York, SC – Twelve York Comprehensive High School students will be continuing their academic careers at the collegiate level.

Tuesday, April 28, 2026, students signed national letters of intent during a ceremony in the York Comprehensive High School Media Center surrounded by staff, teachers, friends and family members.

Congratulations to these standout students on pursuing a future in education:

- Maygan Kimble (Art Education – Anderson University)
- Emily Dillon (Early Childhood Education – Clemson University)
- Kaleb Polk (Lander University)
- Warren Carns (History Education – USC Upstate)
- Riley Green (Elementary Education – USC Upstate)
- Ricardo Govea Mendoza (Music Education – Winthrop University)
- Drew Miller (History Education – Winthrop University)
- Javian Valentin (Elementary Education – Winthrop University)
- Levi Ward (History Education – Winthrop University)
- JD Waxman (Music Education – Winthrop University)
- Kai-Reeshia Simpson (English Education – York Technical College)
- Sam Tackett (York Technical College)

“These students impress us every day, said Jenna Markey, Principal of York Comprehensive High School, “we’re super excited for their next steps to go and give back and to inspire the next generation when they find themselves in their own classrooms. We could not be more proud.”

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“Education is the profession of all professions,” said Superintendent Branham. “Your job is a responsibility and an opportunity to shape all other jobs. I’m very proud of all of you. You’re joining a noble profession, and never let anyone else tell you you’re not.”

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