

CLEVELAND METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION

HONORS THE
Class of 2026



TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2026





Dear Valedictorians and Salutatorians,

On behalf of the Cleveland Metropolitan School District and the Cleveland Board of Education, we offer our warmest congratulations to you on this important event in your life. You can truly take pride in this accomplishment. Your crowning achievement represents CMSD's core value of student excellence and achievement. We are delighted that you have achieved this noteworthy achievement through hard work and perseverance.

This evening's recognition shows our appreciation for your dedication to learning. As you now face an exciting new chapter in your life, know that your CMSD family wishes you the best and continued success in the years to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sara Elaquad'.

Sara Elaquad, J.D.
Board Chair
Cleveland Board of Education

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Warren G. Morgan II'.

Dr. Warren G. Morgan II
Chief Executive Officer
Cleveland Metropolitan School District

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VALEDICTORIANS & SALUTATORIANS



BARD HIGH SCHOOL EARLY COLLEGE

Valedictorian: Camryn Perkins

GPA: 4.00

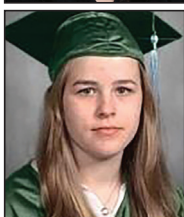
*Post-Secondary Institution: The Ohio State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$28,000.00*



Salutatorian: Esal Ali

GPA: 4.00

*Post-Secondary Institution: Case Western Reserve
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$95.00*



CAMPUS INTERNATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

Valedictorian: Elena Cox

GPA: 4.46

Post-Secondary Institution: Miami University



Salutatorian: Micah Schwab

GPA: 4.42

*Post-Secondary Institution:
Case Western Reserve University*

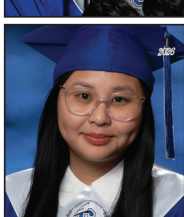


CLEVELAND EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

Valedictorian: Morgen Rosario

GPA: 4.78

*Post-Secondary Institution: Case Western Reserve University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$383,648.00*



Salutatorian: Samatha Suwarna

GPA: 4.478

*Post-Secondary Institution: The Ohio State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$112,000.00*

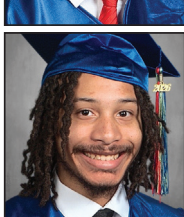


CLEVELAND HIGH SCHOOL FOR DIGITAL ARTS

Valedictorian: Gavriel Beard

GPA: 3.698

*Post-Secondary Institution: Mercyhurst College
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$165,000.00*



Salutatorian: Eugene Edward Miller

GPA: 3.667

*Post-Secondary Institution: University of Akron
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$76,000.00*

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CLEVELAND METRO REMOTE SCHOOL

Valedictorian: Arianna Ann Vogel

GPA: 3.55

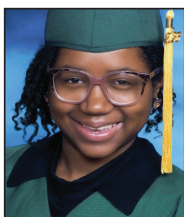
Post-Secondary Institution: The Ohio State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$40,000.00



Salutatorian: Chanell Marie Sanders

GPA: 3.28

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$20,000.00



CLEVELAND SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN

Valedictorian: Taija Coleman

GPA: 4.356

Salutatorian: Amiyah Lipscomb

GPA: 4.201

Post-Secondary Institution:
The Ohio State University



CLEVELAND SCHOOL OF SCIENCE & MEDICINE

Valedictorian: Tasneema Shaik

GPA: 4.73

Post-Secondary Institution:
Case Western Reserve University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$368,000.00



Salutatorian: Owen Pennington

GPA: 4.62

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: Approx. \$400,000.00



CLEVELAND SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

Valedictorian: Zipporah Lennon Peterson

GPA: 4.247

Post-Secondary Institution: Ohio University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$20,000.00



Salutatorian: Shyla Maranda Henriquez

GPA: 4.022

Post-Secondary Institution:
Bowling Green State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$90,000.00

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COLLINWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

Valedictorian: Marceth Coleman

GPA: 3.91



Salutatorian: Errion Edgeron

GPA: 3.80

Post-Secondary Institution: Howard University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$52,000.00



DAVIS AEROSPACE & MARITIME HIGH SCHOOL

Valedictorian: Mhekei Campbell

GPA: 4.26

Post-Secondary Institution: The Ohio State University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$312,000.00



Salutatorian: Noa Bazile

GPA: 4.10

Post-Secondary Institution: The Ohio State University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$500,000.00



EAST TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

Valedictorian: Jaiden M. Copley

GPA: 3.87

Post-Secondary Institution: University of Cincinnati

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$20,000.00

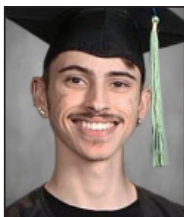


Salutatorian: Ariyon S. Robinson

GPA: 3.604

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$8,000.00



FACING HISTORY NEW TECH HIGH SCHOOL

Valedictorian: Angel Omar Torres-Lugo

GPA: 3.978

Post-Secondary Institution:

Cuyahoga Community College



Salutatorian: Debora Uwiringiyimana

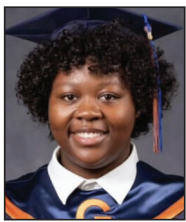
GPA: 3.60

Post-Secondary Institution: John Carroll University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$213,800.00

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GARRETT MORGAN **SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING & INNOVATION**

Valedictorian: Rainin J'Nae Kelly **GPA:** 4.139

Post-Secondary Institution: Oberlin College

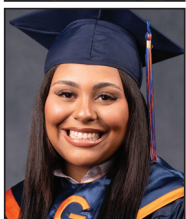
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$96,695.00



Salutatorian: Michael D. Perkins **GPA:** 3.96

Post-Secondary Institution: Kent State University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$104,000.00



GARRETT MORGAN **SCHOOL OF LEADERSHIP & INNOVATION**

Valedictorian: Iris Gamez Hernandez **GPA:** 4.162

Post-Secondary Institution: John Carroll University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$55,895.00



Salutatorian: Lisbeth Guilamo DeJesus **GPA:** 3.765

Post-Secondary Institution:

Columbus State Community College

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$4,000.00



GINN ACADEMY

Valedictorian: DeVonte Bonner **GPA:** 3.98

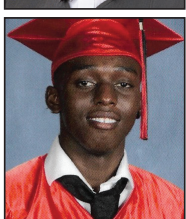
*Post-Secondary Institution: Universal Technical Institute/
Cleveland Public Power*



Salutatorian: Cincere Johnson **GPA:** 3.907

Post-Secondary Institution: The Ohio State University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$235,000.00



GLENVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

Valedictorian: Alex Ezira **GPA:** 3.676

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$100,000.00

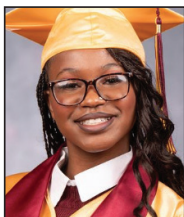


Salutatorian: Amari Rouse **GPA:** 3.543

Post-Secondary Institution: Ohio University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$128,000.00

Class of 2026 VALEDICTORIANS & SALUTATORIANS



JOHN ADAMS COLLEGE & CAREER ACADEMY

Valedictorian: Alia'Richae E. Miller

GPA: 3.93

Post-Secondary Institution: The Ohio State University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$268,000.00



Salutatorian: Anyiah Y. Terrell

GPA: 3.87

Post-Secondary Institution: Kent State University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$160,000.00



JOHN F. KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL

Valedictorian: Jazalin Bowman

GPA: 3.88

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$40,250.00



Salutatorian: Ramierra Doss

GPA: 3.243

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$72,920.00



JOHN MARSHALL

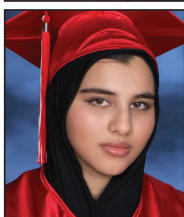
SCHOOL OF CIVIC AND BUSINESS LEADERSHIP

Valedictorian: Suzana Nyota

GPA: 4.289

Post-Secondary Institution: The Ohio State University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$135,880.00



Salutatorian: Reem Alzin

GPA: 4.242

Post-Secondary Institution: Baldwin Wallace University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$172,960.00

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JOHN MARSHALL SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

Valedictorian: Jalsha Basnet

GPA: 3.97

Post-Secondary Institution:
Cleveland State University



Salutatorian: Depika Magar

GPA: 3.90

Post-Secondary Institution:
Cleveland State University



JOHN MARSHALL SCHOOL OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Valedictorian: Quynh Tran

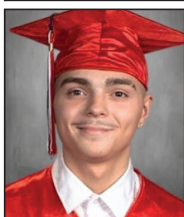
GPA: 4.491

Post-Secondary Institution: Dartmouth College
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$365,000.00



Salutatorian: Kirkneil Williams

GPA: 4.323



LINCOLN-WEST SCHOOL OF GLOBAL STUDIES

Valedictorian: Reyniel Gonzalez De Jesus

GPA: 4.063

Post-Secondary Institution:
Cleveland State University



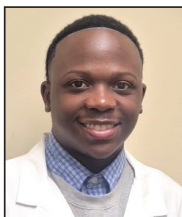
Salutatorian: Gabriel Garcia Rivera

GPA: 3.926

Post-Secondary Institution:
Wooster College

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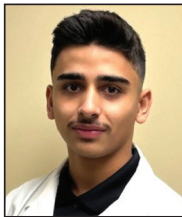
VALEDICTORIANS & SALUTATORIANS



LINCOLN-WEST SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND HEALTH

Valedictorian: Tyler Cowart **GPA:** 4.025

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$50,750.00



Salutatorian: Omar Moussa **GPA:** 3.975

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$30,900.00

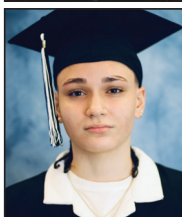
MAX S. HAYES HIGH SCHOOL



Valedictorian: Ana Contreras **GPA:** 4.092

Post-Secondary Institution: Baldwin Wallace College

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$195,556.00



Salutatorian: Haydee Mateo **GPA:** 4.0

Post-Secondary Institution:

Cuyahoga Community College

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$29,580.00

METROPOLITAN CLEVELAND CONSORTIUM STEM HIGH SCHOOL (MC²STEM)



Valedictorian: Elianna Gorman **GPA:** 4.125

Post-Secondary Institution: Kent State University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$54,000.00



Salutatorian: Anthony Morrow Jr. **GPA:** 4.034

Post-Secondary Institution:

Bowling Green State University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$20,000.00

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NATIVIDAD PAGAN **INTERNATIONAL NEWCOMERS ACADEMY**

Valedictorian: Yanira Portillo Romero **GPA: 3.90**

Post-Secondary Institution: Cuyahoga Community College
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$40,000.00



Salutatorian: Nadeen Abu Shabayek **GPA: 3.80**

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$76,000.00



NEW TECH WEST HIGH SCHOOL

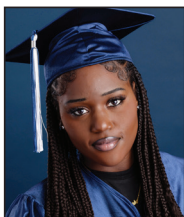
Valedictorian: Rooj Adhikari **GPA: 4.55**

Post-Secondary Institution: Case Western Reserve University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$360,000.00



Salutatorian: Christian Harris **GPA: 4.07**

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$16,000.00



RHODES COLLEGE & CAREER ACADEMY

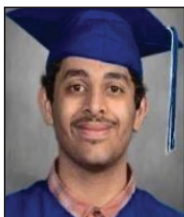
Valedictorian: Cari Nolaan Hunter **GPA: 4.532**

Post-Secondary Institution: Howard University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$120,000.00



Salutatorian: Iyanna Delaboin Clark **GPA: 4.413**

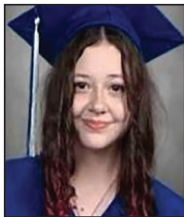
Post-Secondary Institution: University of Toledo
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$116,000.00



RHODES SCHOOL OF **ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**

Valedictorian: Omar Zaghari **GPA: 4.426**

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$180,000.00



Salutatorian: Kendra Hess **GPA: 4.37**

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$140,000.00

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THE SCHOOL OF ONE

Valedictorian: Jude Klatte

GPA: 4.30

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University



Salutatorian: Isabella Akins

GPA: 3.70

Post-Secondary Institution: Cuyahoga Community College

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$5,000.00



Special Thanks

Thank you to all the teachers, administrators, staff, friends and especially all of the family members that supported each and every one of our scholars. Your support and encouragement helped each of them to reach this incredible achievement of academic excellence.

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