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COMMENCEMENT 2026: CONGRATS, BULLDOGS!

On Thursday, May 21, the SMFHS Class of 2026 gathered alongside family, friends, teachers, and staff for commencement and officially became graduates.

During the ceremony, Principal Amanda Murray, Class President Presley Allendorf, and I had the opportunity to speak to the graduating class and reflect on the memories, accomplishments, and experiences that brought them to this milestone.

I would like to thank all the teachers, staff members, coaches, advisors, and families who encouraged, supported, and believed in these students throughout their journey. Your impact on the Class of 2026 is lasting and appreciated.

To the Class of 2026, thank you for the energy, personality, and memories you brought to SMFHS. We are excited to see where life takes each of you next.

Congratulations, Bulldogs.
You did it!





A FULL-CIRCLE MOMENT FOR THE CLASS OF 2026 ~ THE SENIOR WALK TRADITION

Before the Class of 2026 walked across the graduation stage, they first walked the hallways where their school journeys began.

During the Senior Walk on Tuesday, May 20, graduating seniors returned to Kimpton Middle School, Lakeview Intermediate School, and each of our elementary schools for a chance to reconnect with the teachers, staff members, and students who were part of their earliest school memories. Lined with cheering students, handmade signs, hugs, and high-fives, the visit gave seniors an opportunity to reflect on just how far they have come.

The Senior Walk has become a special tradition because it reminds our students that their story within our district began long before high school graduation day. It is also a reminder of the lasting impact our educators, staff members, and school communities have on students throughout every stage of their journey.

As the Class of 2026 prepares for what comes next, the walk through familiar hallways was a warm reminder that they will always have a home within the Bulldog family.





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DANCING AND MEMORIES AT 2026 PROM

Last Saturday, May 16, the Class of 2026 came together for Senior Prom, transforming the evening into a celebration students will remember for years to come.

With the theme “A Tale as Old as Time,” the venue was filled with elegant decorations, music, laughter, and excitement as students spent the night dancing, taking photos, and making memories with friends and classmates.

Important reminders!

- There will be no school on Monday, May 25 in observance of **Memorial Day**.
- Friday, May 29 will be the **last day of school** for the 2025-2026 school year. Participating schools will host a **Field Day** during the day in celebration.
- Monday, June 1 will begin **Summer Break.** Thank you for a great year!





KIMPTON STUDENTS EXCEL IN POWER OF THE PEN

Kimpton Middle School’s Power of the Pen team had a phenomenal year, highlighted by outstanding performances at the state competition. Both the 7th and 8th grade teams placed 2nd in the district contest, earning recognition as the 2nd best overall team in Northeast Ohio at regionals held at Kent State University.

Writers Kaitlyn Charatun and Em Magana qualified for the state competition and advanced to the prestigious championship round. Kaitlyn Charatun went on to place 11th in the state for 7th grade.









NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM TRIP

Students from Lakeview Team 52 — Mrs. Funai, Mrs. Knepp, and Mrs. Quinn’s classes — recently traveled to the Cleveland Museum of Natural History for an educational field trip connected to their Solar System unit of study.

During the visit, students participated in a Planetarium experience that brought their classroom learning to life. The presentation gave students an up-close look at planets, stars, and other features of our solar system while helping deepen their understanding of concepts they have been studying throughout the year.

PBIS TROPHIES SURPRISE STUDENTS ACROSS THE DISTRICT

At the beginning of this week, we surprised one student in each building with a special PBIS trophy. The awards recognized students who consistently went above and beyond throughout the school year through kindness, leadership, positive behavior, and by demonstrating what it truly means to have the “Heart of a Bulldog.”

Congratulations to the following students:

- **Ava** from Stow-Munroe Falls High School
- **Josh** from Kimpton Middle School
- **Madison** from Lakeview Intermediate School
- **Alexander** from Woodland Elementary School
- **Finn** from Riverview Elementary School
- **Hannah** from Indian Trail Elementary School
- **Lily** from Highland Elementary School
- **Idabelle** from Fishcreek Elementary School
- **Jack** from Echo Hills Elementary School

