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EHS June 2026 Senior Spotlight: Meet Morgan Dwyer



If you could use one word to describe yourself, what would that word be?

Patience

It is the final countdown of your senior year at Ewing High School. One door will close, and another door will open. What will you leave behind, and what will you bring with you on the next step of your life's journey?

I'll leave behind the fear of not knowing exactly what comes next and all the stress that comes with trying to have everything figured out by senior year. Ewing High School has taught me that growth happens through experiences, mistakes, and stepping outside of your comfort zone. My time at Ewing High School has helped me grow as a person and taught me the importance of friendships, hard work, and perseverance. As I move on to the next chapter of my life, I'll carry with me the lessons I've learned, the support of the people around me, and the determination and confidence to take on new opportunities. Most importantly, I'll bring along the memories and experiences that made these years so special.

Your future is bright. Is the plan to attend Messiah University in Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, this fall and major in nursing?

Yes, I'm super excited to be attending Messiah University, where I'll be majoring in nursing. I'm excited for the opportunities, new friendships, and change in environment.

Why did you choose Messiah University?

I chose Messiah University because of its strong Christian environment and the sense of community I felt when I visited. While looking at schools, I knew it was important to find a place where I could continue to grow in my faith while also pursuing my education, and Messiah felt like the perfect fit for both. I also loved how personal and welcoming the campus felt since it's a smaller school, and I knew I

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would be able to build meaningful connections with both classmates and professors. Another big reason I chose Messiah was because of their strong nursing program and the opportunities it provides for hands-on learning. I know it would prepare me for my future career. The beautiful campus and supportive environment made me feel confident that it was the right college for me.

What inspired you to choose nursing as a future career?

I chose nursing because I've always been drawn to helping people and wanting to make a difference in their lives, whether it's by supporting them, bringing them joy, or offering comfort. I really value being able to be there for others and help them feel cared for. Nursing is such a fulfilling job because every day is different, and you get the chance to show up for people when they need it most. Nursing also offers so many opportunities and different paths, there's a lot of variety within the field. On a personal level, my nana is a nurse, and seeing how she cares for her patients with kindness and compassion really inspired me. Watching her showed me what it truly means to make an impact in people's lives, and that's something I hope to do as well.

I did read that Messiah nursing students have a 97.3% passing rate on the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) exam for first-time takers. That is a pretty impressive stat.

What senior events at Ewing High School are you looking forward to these last few weeks?

I'm really looking forward to prom, senior sunset, and of course graduation. They all feel like they're going to be memorable and special because it's the last time we'll all be together, and just a great way to make some last memories. It's a little bittersweet but mainly exciting to celebrate the end of senior year with fun events before we all head different directions.

Tell us about yourself.

I would describe myself as someone who enjoys spending time with friends and making the most out of everyday moments. I like being around people who make me laugh and feel comfortable, and I really value the friendships I have built over the years. In my free time, I enjoy hanging out with friends, as well as hiking and baking, which are things I find relaxing and fun to do outside of school. I try to carry a positive mindset and appreciate the little things in life.

You have been very busy at Ewing High School. You have taken Algebra I Honors, English I Honors, World History Honors, Earth/Space Science Honors, Geometry Honors, English II Honors, Biology Honors, US History I Honors, English III Honors, Algebra II Honors, Environmental Science AP, US History II Honors, Tomorrow's Teachers Honors, Chemistry Honors, English IV Honors, and your last Honors class is this final semester, Human Anatomy and Physiology, what class did you like the best and why?

It's hard to pick just one class, but my two favorites were AP Environmental Science and Chemistry, mainly because of all the hands-on learning and experiments we did. I really enjoyed doing activities



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and labs compared to just doing notes. Some of my favorite activities were the cookie mining lab in APES and the fire experiments we did in Chemistry, which made both classes pretty enjoyable.

I am thinking you might have liked that ceramics class in your sophomore year best. Do you have a creative side?

Ceramics was definitely a fun class for me! I like making things for people and doing crafts in general. I'm not the most artistic person, but I enjoy the process of creating something and seeing how it turns out in the end. It can also be relaxing and just a way to take your mind off something. Even if it's not perfect, I find the outcome really rewarding, especially when it's something I can give to someone.

You also took Unified PE in both your junior and senior years of high school. Tell us about this class and the highlights of the course.

I took Unified PE in both my junior and senior years, and it was one of the most meaningful classes I've had. In the course, we worked alongside students in special education during gym activities, which made it inclusive and welcoming for everyone. It was honestly such a fun class. It was refreshing to see a class where there is no judgment at all, just a lot of support, teamwork, and encouragement. One of the biggest highlights for me was building connections with the students and just enjoying gym in a more positive and inclusive environment.

What words of advice do you have for incoming freshmen to have a successful Ewing High School experience? (*Be honest!*)

Just be kind to everyone and remember to enjoy your time in high school; it goes by faster than you think. I know everyone says this, but it really is true. Stay focused on your academics and try your best in your classes, because it really pays off later on. Make the most of opportunities, get involved in sports or clubs, and reach out to meet new people, since those experiences and friendships are what make high school special.

Do you have a favorite subject?

My favorite subject is science. I like understanding how things work. I took multiple science classes while at Ewing, and they have all been interesting because you learn about different things, but they all connect in some way.

What activities do you participate in at school?

At school, I participate in Unified Club, NJFEA, Sports Medicine, Student Athlete Ambassadors, and NHS. I have also been on the field hockey and softball teams all four years of high school. On these teams, I've had a blast and highly recommend playing a sport for school. Being involved in these activities has allowed me to meet new people, stay active, and make a lot of great memories throughout high school.

What activities do you participate in outside of school?

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Outside of school, I play on a travel softball team, which keeps me pretty busy. I also help in the nursery at my church, have an after-school job, and take part in community service. I enjoy staying involved and being able to spend some time doing activities I like.

What is your favorite memory of high school to date?

My favorite memory of high school so far has definitely been being part of field hockey and softball. Both teams have given me some of my most memorable moments from high school, not just because of the sports themselves, but because of my teammates and coaches. Field hockey has always been fun. We have spirit weeks, fun practices where we still get work done, but it's also really fun and lots of laughing and joking around, and even other times where we got RedBerry(frozen yogurt) after watching TCNJ play. Softball has been just as unforgettable. We have had slip-and-slide practices and Easter egg hunts that made every season feel unique and fun! More than anything, I'm really grateful for my teammates; they've made everything so memorable and fun. They have turned both sports into something I'll always look back on with a lot of love.

Who or what has positively impacted your life?

My parents have had the biggest positive impact on my life. They have always supported me through everything and are constantly there for me, no matter what. They show up to every event and game I have to support me. They are always willing to help me when I'm stuck on something or even quiz me before a test, and they always believe in me, even when I doubt myself. They never put pressure on me and always remind me that they are proud of me as long as I try my best. I honestly feel so lucky to have them. I'm really grateful for everything they do for me.

How do you define success?

I don't define success as accomplishments or grades alone. To me, success is about valuing and being happy with your life, being a kind person, and building meaningful relationships with the people around you. It's also about showing up for others, supporting the people you care about, and growing into someone you're proud of.