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Commencement

June 4, 2026

Mishawaka High School

**One Hundred Forty-Ninth  
Commencement  
Mishawaka High School  
Class of 2026**



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Anna Rohrer Heiny**

# Class of 2026

## Top Ten Graduates

Laya Al mahdawi, *Valedictorian*

Mason Green, *Valedictorian*

Anna Yoder, *Valedictorian*

Abbie Weil, *Valedictorian*

Ethan Cunningham-Gloster, *Valedictorian*

Maggie Bradburn, *Salutatorian*

Jack Taylor, *Salutatorian*

Douglas Hill, *Salutatorian*

Cassie Creech, *Salutatorian*

Emma Graham, *Salutatorian*



# Class of 2026

## Top CAVE Graduates

Payton Lorman, *Valedictorian*

Andrew Brennan, *Salutatorian*



### MHS ALMA MATER

Far above St. Joseph's waters, with its waves of blue  
Stands our noble Alma Mater, glorious to view  
Live the chorus, speed it onward, loud her praises tell  
Hail to Thee, our Alma Mater, Mishawaka High

Far above the busy humming, of the bustling town  
Reared against the arch of heaven, she looks proudly down  
Live the chorus, speed it onward, loud her praises tell  
Hail to Thee, our Alma Mater, Mishawaka High

# Commencement

|                                   |                                                                                          |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Prelude Music.....                | MHS Band                                                                                 |
| Pomp and Circumstance .....       | Sr. Edgar Elgar/arr. James Ployhar<br>MHS Band; Kaleb Chamberlin, Director               |
| Valedictory Addresses.....        | Laya Al mahdawi, Mason Green, Anna Yoder,<br>Abbie Weil, and Ethan Cunningham-Gloster    |
| MHS Alma Mater.....               | Tune by H.S. Thompson                                                                    |
| Lovely Day.....                   | Withers & Scarbourough/arr. Gibsson<br>MHS Chamber Choir Seniors; Rachel Sutch, Director |
| Introduction of Speaker.....      | Chad Brugh, Principal                                                                    |
| Commencement Address.....         | Anna Rohrer Heiny, MHS Alumna                                                            |
| Awarding of Diplomas.....         | Chad Brugh, Principal                                                                    |
| Principal's Address.....          | Chad Brugh, Principal                                                                    |
| Recessional - MHS Fight Song..... | arr. Dennis Gamble<br>MHS Band; Kaleb Chamberlin, Director                               |



# Graduating Class of 2026

Elizabeth Claire Adams Δ¶  
Laya Zeyad Shakir Al mahdawi Δ ❖¶§  
Landon John Adams  
Zulfikar Saif Ali §  
Brayden Joel Alspaugh  
Breeana Kay Anderson Δ  
Brycen Owen Anderson  
Jayden Christopher Anderson A  
Malik Mikel Anderson  
Michael Ray Anderson Jr.  
Eric Steven Andrews A  
Lucia Cervantes Armenta  
Amaya Louise Ash ¶  
Brooklyn Nicole Avery  
Dylan Robert Bailer  
Braden Reed Balvin  
Deanna Marshay Banks  
Samuel Edward Barker  
Kennedy Reese Beaird  
Taylor Dlorah Ann Beasley  
Kiera Evelyn Beckman ❖  
Anna Rose Alana Begley A  
Karston Joseph Bell  
Fabian Jamaiel Bermudez  
Blake Allen Blair  
Makaela Jane Blake  
Brody John Blevins Δ¶ §  
Julian Lee Bloss Δ  
Jackson Owen Bonk ¶ §  
Corbin Jay Boocher  
Benjamin Mathew Booth  
Trinity Lynn Bower ¶ §  
Jaelynn Michael Boyce  
Maggie Jennifer Bradburn Δ¶  
Andrew David Brennan A  
Montanna Ivy Briggs A  
Iyanna Loyce Brooks  
Karley Elizabeth Brothers  
Dominick Jamont Brown  
O'Shun Devion Brownlee  
Reese Sydney Brugh  
Bryce Li Burris  
Dominic Brian Butler Δ§  
Chase Michael Camacho  
Anderson Windsor Cannon Δ¶  
Elizabeth Marie-Lynn Casner §  
Kaleena Marie Choi  
Johnathan Michael Christner  
Isaiah Joseph Ciula  
Jabarri Ameer Clark  
Antwaun Breon Clay A  
Kenyariel Clemente Acevedo  
Chance Elwood Cole  
Key-Shawn Shamar Cole Δ  
Frances Noel Conley  
Shayle Lynn Cornwall  
Belle Cianne Courchene  
Ariel Crane A  
Cassie Maria Creech Δ¶ §  
Ethan Joseph Cunningham-Gloster Δ❖¶  
LeeAna Natae Damp ❖  
Alexa Marie Davis Δ¶  
Noah Matthew Deeds

Alana Mia Le'Bella Delgado  
Lucas Michael DeWilkins  
Izaac Brady Dietz  
Iannona Marie-Kay Donaldson  
Mya Patrice Dooley A  
Kayleah Lynn Dowdy A  
Kyleah Rancee Dowdy A  
Isaac Matthew Dudelston  
Megan Elizabeth Dustin A  
Gage William Ebling  
Gunnar James Eby  
Kendall Marie Ernsberger  
Garrison Mitchell Evans  
Haylee Peyton Fannon-England  
Peyton Riley Filson  
McKinzie Nicole Finn Δ❖ §  
Mackenzie Rae Fisette  
Mason Michael Foster-Toth  
Brady Thomas Francis  
Carson Dean Francis  
Karmen Marie Frazier  
Sa'niya R. Frazier  
Bryce Lorn Freeman Δ  
Michael Alberto Fry-Casares Δ  
Katelynn Ann Fulford  
Dylan Michael Fulton  
Manuel Garcia-Bernal  
Corey Michael Gardner  
Trevin Jeffery-Charles Gaugler  
Ayden Alan Logan Geerts  
Drew Thomas Ginter  
Kamayah D'Nae Godinez  
Ka'mya Chandraia Lynn Godwin  
Emma Melrose Graham Δ¶  
Mason William Green Δ§¶  
Isaac Michael Greer  
Lucy Mae Grontkowski Δ¶  
Jami Elizabeth Gulyas  
Liam Gregory Hacker  
Reed Michael Hamilton  
Blake Alexander Hamman  
Kayelynn Sarah Hanback ❖  
Colten Jaxson Handley Δ¶  
Malcolm Joseph Hans  
Mariah Lynn Hanson A  
Kennedy Grace Harris  
Amira Elizabeth Hawkins  
Walker Edward Hawn  
Tahljah Roslee Henderson  
Khloe Victoria Hershey  
RyLeigh Morris Hethcote A  
Mariana Anastasia Hildebrand A  
Douglas David Hill Δ¶  
Cameron Micheal Hillebrand  
Savannah Rain Hinton  
Annaliene Nicole Holaway ❖  
Bradley Tyler Holcomb  
Ash'Ton Joseph Horston  
Brandon Keith Edward Houston  
Saevion Aaron Hughes  
Audriyana Zanae Hunt Δ❖¶  
Jesslynn Renee James  
Sadeen Mohammed JoBran

Landon Matthew Johns Δ¶  
Jaylen Lee Johnson  
Karma Leigh Johnson  
Rita Grace Johnson  
Lafaye Renee Jones  
Harmonie Mariah Jones A  
Micheal Lee Kelleybrew A  
Aydenn Andrew Kerschner A  
Alexander Robak King  
Joshua Thomas Russell Kite A  
Myha Joelean Klinger  
Aris Theodore Koehler Δ§  
Conner Joseph Konkol  
Alissa Emina Krivdic  
Maddux William Kuhnle Δ¶  
Haley Elisabeth Kuzmicz  
Gabryella Lynn Landells  
Trinity Marie Lee A  
Bradley Michael Lewis  
Abigail Reid Lichtenfels  
Trent Jacob Lidgard  
Savannah Grace Little-Seward  
Vincent Lopez-Weglowski Δ  
Payton Nicole Lorman Δ§A  
Alexandria Rae Lowery  
Evan Shawn Lynn  
Alexis Agustin Macedonio  
Emma Jean Makinen  
Brianna Marie Manda  
Allianna Alexis Marshall  
Maycee Jaden Martinez  
William Terrance Mason  
Grace Levox Matherly  
Ry'mani DeMario McClinton  
Hannah Nicole McDaniel  
Nakayla Deannah May McDonald  
Ryenne Kinzie McMahan  
Tyndall Lea McMenamin A  
Gabriel George Mehling A  
Gavin William Louis Mentag  
Cayson Brady Meyer  
Charlotte Opal Miller  
Elena Riley Miller  
Murray Christopher Modlin Δ¶ §  
Isabelle Joan Moore  
Jesus Andres Mora  
Breyana Marie Moreno A  
Giovani Moreno Castaneda  
Abby May Morin ❖  
Brianna Lee Marie Morin A  
Alexander William Myers  
Kayne Jaxson Neace  
Kole Jamison Neace  
Tyler Michael Neher Δ  
Allie Rene Nicole Niswonger Δ  
Ephraim Karanja Njuguna  
Shamma Lydia Nkhonjera  
Dolce Nicole Norris A  
Anna Michelle Northam Δ  
Nicholle Renee Nothstine❖  
Angella Nsanja II §  
Vann Phineas Obomsawin  
Addison Marie Oltman A

# Graduating Class of 2026

|                                  |                                 |                                 |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Kaitlyn Elizabeth Rose Osborne △ | Savannah Lorraine Saylor        | Jack William Taylor △           |
| Xavier David Blayne Overman      | Anriya Narshae' Schaffer        | Leah Abigail Thomas             |
| Andre D. Owens Jr.               | Brady Allen Ramsey Schlundt A   | Layla Jewel Tibbs               |
| Gavin James Papa                 | Landon Robert Schweisberger     | Lashawn Terrell Tillman A       |
| Mikayla Ann Parker               | Soren Olivia Sculati            | Serenity Renee Tramber Battles  |
| Brandon Leeshawn Peate           | Adrien Earon Seifert            | Nayeli Lizeth Trujillo          |
| Carson James Peebles             | Preston Alexander Shaum G       | Dante Ross Tucker               |
| Aiden Joseph Perez △             | Corin William James Shepley △   | Azariah Genesis Tutson          |
| Cameron Michael Perez            | Aaron Eugene Shields            | Greta Briann VanDeGenahte ❖     |
| Daniel John Phillips             | Andra Lynn Shields              | Blake Andrew Vandenburg         |
| Josephine Abigail Phillips △     | Holly Elizabeth Shine △△¶§      | Miley Anne Varda                |
| Gracie Laelynn Pierce A          | Kaden Alan Siders               | Gabriel Alexander Villa         |
| Orianna Emilee Pierce            | Keaira Marie Slabaugh           | Braeden Michael Vrielynck       |
| Leah Nicole Pierson △¶           | Antione Z. Smith                | Tiara Faith Wafford △           |
| Brayden Andrew Plonski           | Colby Shawn Smith               | Dontrell Deshawn Ward A         |
| Kerry Daniel Pontius △           | Jazalynn Judith Smith           | Brook Allen Way △               |
| Kamdon Anthony Putz △¶           | Jullius J. Smith                | Abbie Noelle Weil ❖             |
| Lillian Genavieve Pyburn         | Mackenzie Ryan Smith            | Jacob Daniel Weiss              |
| Joy Elizabeth Quast A            | Sariah Natae Smith △❖G          | Logan Irwin White               |
| Jessica Noelle Quintana          | Vegas LeeLynn Smith             | Jalissa Makayla Lynn Whiting A  |
| Angel Quiroz                     | Edmund James Snider △           | Derak James Wickizer            |
| Haylie Marie Raby ❖              | Lorelei Mae Solley-Mead         | Alexander Dean Williams         |
| Kayleigh Ruth Raymond △¶         | Rylie Margaret Sproles △¶       | Breanna Gracie Williams         |
| Brayden Lynn Reed                | Summer Rose Steffie             | Jazmin Jayde Williams           |
| Dylan John Gregory Reed          | Miyah J. Stemm                  | Naryah Andrea Reanae Williams △ |
| Promise Catherine Robinson       | Jacob Christopher Stephens      | Ka'niya Lacole Willis A         |
| Hannah Riley Rodick △§           | Olivia Peyton Sterry            | Khyrece Deshawn Wilson          |
| Alexander James Rodts            | Phillip Roy Sterry III          | Addison Rose Winsett ❖          |
| Uriel Romero                     | Dylan Richard Stevenson         | Lilly Marie Wittner △❖¶         |
| Payton Rae Roose                 | Ava Ann Stopczynski             | Devan Alan Wolf A               |
| Gadge Michael Rosa               | Lilly Kathryn Strohkirch        | Marisa Marie Wright             |
| Nadine Lynn Rose △               | Dasyre Unique Suggs             | Kaydence Lynne Wroblewski       |
| Evan James Rucker                | Shiayla Uniqee Suggs            | Matthew Parker Wyllie           |
| Isabelle Elizabeth Ryans A       | Imogen Radam Swan               | James Edward Yakym              |
| Aiden James Sandefur             | Cooper Joseph Szlanfucht        | Anna Rachel Yoder △¶            |
| Brady Orion Hudson Sanders       | Ethan Walter Szlanfucht         | Diego Osvaldo Zavala Marquez    |
| Jeremiah Jamaine Sargent         | Nicholas Wesley Tanner A        | Asiah Danca Zent A              |
| Alexis Nicole Richelle Sark      | Jakob Michael Timothy Tavernier |                                 |
| Vanessa Lynn Satterfield ¶       |                                 |                                 |

On this day the senior class remembers their friend

Wesley Dancler

There are special people in our lives who never leave us, even after they are gone.



# Regalia Key

## *Cords*

**Black:** Cavemen Academy for Virtual Excellence  
**Black/Blue:** CNA  
**Blue/Gold:** Notre Dame Intern  
**Gold:** **National Honor** Society executives  
**Gold/Royal Blue:** National Honor Society member  
**Green:** Ivy Tech Dual Credit: 15 or more credits earned  
**Light Blue:** Computer Science Honor Society  
**Lime Green:** Startup Moxie  
**Maroon:** Student Athletic Leadership Team  
**Maroon/White:** Student Council  
**Maroon/White/Gold:** Academic Honors  
**Multi-Color:** National Art Honor Society  
**Old Gold:** Beyond the Cave  
**Pink/Black:** Cosmotology  
**Pink/White:** Certified Medical Assistant  
**Purple:** National Technical Honor Society  
**Red:** Red Cross  
**Red/Black/Gold:** German Honor Society  
**Red/Silver:** Indiana College Core or Associates Degree  
**Red/White/Blue:** Military  
**Red/White/Blue:** French Honor Society  
**Red/White/Blue:** Mayor's Youth Advisory Council  
**Royal Blue:** Freshman Mentors

## *Symbols*

|   |                                        |
|---|----------------------------------------|
| ◇ | Associates Degree                      |
| Δ | Academic Honors Diploma                |
| A | Cavemen Academy for Virtual Excellence |
| z | Computer Science Honor Society         |
| ■ | Exchange Student                       |
| ∞ | Indiana College Core                   |
| △ | Military                               |
| ❖ | National Art Honor Society             |
| ♣ | National French Honor Society          |
| G | National German Honor Society          |
| ¶ | National Honor Society                 |
| § | Technical Honors Diploma               |
|   | Core 40 Diploma- no symbol             |



# High School Faculty & Staff

## Mishawaka High School Administration

Chad Brugh, *Principal*

Dr. Jessica Mann, *Associate Principal*

Clara Bepe, *Assistant Principal*

Bryon Scoggin, *Assistant Principal*

Laura Sigler, *Assistant Principal*

Evan Fras, *Athletic Director*

Derrick DeShone, *Assistant Athletic Director*

## Cavemen Academy for Virtual Excellence Administration

Brandon Trtan, *Principal*

## School Counselors

Melissa Raffelock, *Department Chair*

Michelle Centilli

Karen Hernandez

Deb Thompson

Paula Richardson, *CAVE*

### Art

Ryan Sergeant, *Chair*

Heather Ashton

Mike Buchmann

Chris Penzenik

Katie Smith

### Business Education

Toni Forler, *Chair*

Brock Foze

Julie Fisette

John Huemmer

Sharon Meribela-Long

Vincent Powell

Nathanial Szajko

### English

Jeff Halicki, *Chair*

Christie Buchmann

Lance Carpenter

Randy Ebright

DeeDee Gerber

Cathy Gillen

Loren Oboikovitz

Joshua Olsen

Kyle Schrader

Mark Schreiber

Kaitlyn Stutzman

### Exceptional Learners

Jennifer Grimm, *Chair*

Maria Bennett

Sheila Clements

Peter Essig

Rhonda Hesch

Joycelyn Kemp

Christy Motsinger

Traci Starkweather

### Program Assistants

Tiffany DeHart

Maddie Gruber

Rhonda Whitledge

### Family & Consumer Science

Cathy Gillen, *Chair*

Wendy McNeely

Julie Nelson

Erica Puetz-John

Heather Unger

### Health/Physical Education

Chadd Blasko, *Chair*

Cory Betzer

Joseph Calderone

Mike Szerszen

Virginia Gerndt, *P.E. Aide*

### Industrial Technology

Ben Modlin, *Chair*

Erica Ehara

Matt Lewinski

Dennis Murphy

Kylie Pixley

Matt Rendall

### Mathematics

Brian Baumer, *Chair*

Mike Brickner

Vincent Ferro

Justine Fought

Robert Haas

Melissa Horvath

Melissa Johnson

Steve Sheltraw

Joe Szajko

Matthew Went

Gina Wisler

### Multi-Language Learners

Darcy 'Malu' Lyman

Loren Oboikovitz

### Music

Kaleb Chamberlin, *Chair*

Patrick Lipscomb

William Niederer, *Accompanist*

Rachel Sutch

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# High School Faculty & Staff

## Science

Pat Hahn, *Chair*  
Anna Boes  
Johnathan Cooper  
Amy Foley  
Albert Gongwer  
Courtney Hahn  
Hanna Hess  
Steve Kreinbrink  
Amie Sandsmark  
Dan Witt

## Social Studies

Shelley Yoder, *Chair*  
Nathan Blair  
Randy Cook  
Tate Gerndt  
Lori Kitkowski  
Chris Kowalewski  
Scott Stoner

## World Languages

Anita Hosinski, *Chair*  
Kristina Dambrauskas  
Bryce Williamson

## Attendance

Keith Kinder, *Coordinator*

## Alternative Education

Emma McDonald  
Kyle Shaw

## Office Personnel

Jennifer Addison  
Danielle Bonk  
Erin Czyz  
April Hathaway, *Adm. Secretary*  
Kathy Heckaman  
Sarah Kuehn  
Shelly Murphy, *Registrar*  
JoAnn Sergeant  
Serena Spencer

## Technology Services

Kelly Cardenas

## Study Hall

Bradley Sanders, *ISS*  
Ashley Greene  
Doug Kronewitter  
Dave Rendall

## Monitors

James Bassier  
Gayle Bernicky-Turk  
Jerry Devorkin, *ID Coordinator*  
Deb Klotz  
Brian Linson  
Jack Plummer  
Pat Portolese  
Dave Richards

## Cafeteria Staff

Donna Morrow, *Kitchen Manager*  
Trudy Lietzan  
Gail Lyvers  
Melissa Rauch  
Corrine Wyllie  
Kayla Thompson  
Amanda Kuzmich  
Sarah Rupert  
Eileen Davis  
Toni Desimone  
Pat Fenters  
Savannah Holderman  
Lori Ullery

## Custodial Staff

Leroy James, *Head Custodian*  
Will Adams  
Bob Berndt  
Zachary Feltes  
Lindsey Hanback  
Mike Montana  
John Steele  
Victor Tucker  
Tom Vines

## Health Office

*St. Joseph Regional Medical-Center, Inc.*  
Carla Hinton, *R.N.*  
Cynthia Huemmer, *Health Aide*

## School Resource Officer

Phillip Herman

## Athletic Trainers

Hanna Hess  
Maddie Heying

## Cavemen Academy for Virtual Excellence

Holly Giden  
Susan Henderson  
Brandy Mann, *Registrar*  
Jessica Monroe  
Emma McDonald  
Angela Stillson

## Permanent Substitutes

Letonia Booker  
Karl Columbus  
Cheryl Harris  
Ethan Johnson



2026  
CLASS MOTTO

*"So close no matter how far  
couldn't be much more from the  
heart forever trusting in who we are  
and nothing else matters."*

– Metallica

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