

RMA Odessa



*Class
of 2026*

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“People might not get all they work for in this world, but they must certainly work for all they get.”

- Frederick Douglass



RMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2025-2026



Dear Class of 2026,

Today marks more than a milestone. It is a defining moment in your story. On behalf of the faculty and staff of RMA Public Schools, I am honored to celebrate you and extend my deepest congratulations.

Each of you arrived with a different journey, a different set of challenges, and a different vision for your future. Yet you stand here together, having made a powerful decision to keep going. You chose growth. You chose resilience. You chose to finish what you started. That is the mark of an RMA graduate.

As you step into what comes next, carry that same determination with you. Whether your path leads to college, a career, or a new direction still unfolding, trust your ability to adapt, to rise, and to lead your own life with purpose. You have already proven that you can overcome obstacles and create opportunities where others may not have seen them.

Take time to honor the moments that brought you here. The relationships you built, the lessons you learned, and the strength you discovered within yourself are not behind you. They are part of you. They will continue to guide your decisions and shape your future.

Hold tightly to the values that carried you to this day. Stay grounded in integrity, lead with perseverance, and pursue excellence in all that you do. You represent something powerful, and you carry that forward with every step you take.

Remember that your connection to RMA does not end today. You are part of a community that believes in you, supports you, and will always celebrate your success. We will be watching, proud of who you are and even more proud of who you are becoming.

Walk forward with confidence. Be bold in your choices. Stay committed to your vision. The future is not something you wait for. It is something you build.

With pride and unwavering belief in you,

A handwritten signature in dark blue ink, reading "Armard Anderson".

Dr. Armard Anderson
RMA Superintendent of Schools



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Good evening, graduates, families, and staff!

Today we celebrate more than a ceremony—we celebrate the courage, the curiosity, and the commitment each of you has shown. You’ve faced challenges, learned from mistakes, lifted one another up, and discovered strengths you didn’t know you had. Those lessons matter more than any test score.

As you leave these halls, remember three simple things: be curious—keep learning; be kind—your character matters; and be brave—take chances, even when the outcome is uncertain. Success will follow hard work, but fulfillment comes from purpose and service to others.

I believe in you. Go forward with confidence, lift others as you climb, and make a life you’re proud of. Congratulations, Class of 2026. Your future starts now.

Thank you,
Latoya Jackson M.Ed



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PROCESSIONAL.....	“Pomp and Circumstance”
WELCOME.....	Latoya Jackson
GREETINGS FROM RMA SCHOOL DISTRICT	Dr. Leslie Bonds
INTRODUCTION OF THE VALEDICTORIAN.....	Latoya Jackson
VALEDICTORIAN ADDRESS.....	Victoria Arispe
INTRODUCTION OF THE SALUTATORIAN.....	Dr. Leslie Bonds
SALUTATORIAN ADDRESS.....	Ciara Gonzalez
PRESENTATION TO VALEDICTORIAN & SALUTATORIAN.....	Latoya Jackson
GUEST SPEAKER.....	Daisy Heaberlin
RECOMMENDATION OF GRADUATES FOR DIPLOMAS.....	Latoya Jackson
CONFERRING OF DIPLOMAS.....	Dr. Leslie Bonds
CLOSING REMARKS & TURNING OF THE TASSELS.....	Latoya Jackson
RECESSIONAL.....	“Pomp and Circumstance”

(Guest to remain seated until the platform and graduates have exited).



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GRADUATES

Brady Abila

Victoria Arispe*

Gene Beamon

Dusten Bramble

Ciara Gonzalez**

Erick Hernandez

Crystal Lopez

Terry Olivarez

Kolden Rand

Melanie Ramirez

Johnesty Smith

Isaac Soto

*Valedictorian

**Salutatorian



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HONOR STUDENTS

Valedictorian: Victoria Arispe

Salutatorian: Ciara Gonzalez



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SASH and CORD RECOGNITION

VALEDICTORIAN/SALUTATORIAN..... Red/Gold
CCMR..... Green
DISTINGUISHED..... Blue
FIRST GENERATION.....Purple



RMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2025-2026



FACULTY AND STAFF

Superintendent of Schools.....	Dr. Armard Anderson
Executive Director of Academics.....	Dr. Uneeda Givens
District Instructional Coordinator.....	Dr. Leslie Bonds
District CCMR Director.....	Jerel Showers
Principal.....	Latoya Jackson
Student & Community Liaison.....	Predis Walker
Registrar.....	Tylena Barrandey
Admin. Secretary.....	Carolyn Reschman
Operations Manager.....	Maria Fernandez
Teacher.....	Antonio Ramos
Teacher.....	Brenda Gastelum
Teacher.....	Jitha Thomas
Teacher.....	Pedro Cortez
Teacher.....	Tracy Serna
Teacher.....	Hayley Medina
Teacher.....	Tami Price
Teacher.....	Yvette Soto
Teacher.....	Kelcey Burrow
Teacher.....	Ana Tarango
Teacher.....	Kabra Taylor

Teacher

(N) TEE-CHER: A MULTI-TASKING
EDUCATIONAL ROCKSTAR WHO LIVES TO
INSPIRE AND LOVES TO ENCOURAGE.
THEY'RE KIND OF A BIG DEAL.



**Empowering students to
graduate, prepared to exceed all
expectations.**



**Every student will be empowered
to make choices for lifelong
success.**

**GRADUATING
CLASS OF 2026**



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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We would like to thank all our faculty, staff, volunteers, students, and parents for making this year one to remember.

Congratulations! Today is your day.

You're off to Great Places!

You're off and away!

You have brains in your head.

You have feet in your shoes.

You can steer yourself
in any direction you choose.

You're on your own.

And you know what you know.

You are the guy who'll decide where to go...

Dr. Seuss, "Oh, the Places You'll Go!"



DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO NEEDS A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA?

RMA Public Schools helps students take the next step toward graduation through flexible, personalized support designed to meet students where they are and help them finish strong.

INVITE A FRIEND OR FAMILY MEMBER!

If you know someone who has not yet earned a high school diploma, encourage them to scan the QR code to learn more about enrollment opportunities at RMA Public Schools.



ENROLLMENT FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR IS OPEN!



CONGRATULATIONS
CLASS OF 2026