CCHS GRADUATES ITS CLASS OF 2026, WHICH AQUIRES MORE THAN $2 MILLION IN SCHOLARSHIPS





Above: Chris Cerda's soccer teammates celebrate his go-ahead penalty kick goal while members of the Crockett baseball team cheer him on from their perch on the terrace. (Photo by Ron Barry)



Taking a night off from all of the spring sports teams that have been collecting district, region, and sectional championships, Crockett County High School got down to the more serious task of distributing diplomas to its senior class during a jam-packed graduation ceremony at Cavalier Stadium Friday.

Festivities featured addresses by valedictorian Claire Evans and salutatorian Ryan Beene, as well as a sendoff speech by Class President Carrington Smith; a rousing version of Elton John's "I'm Still Standing" from Rachel Coleman's choir; the presentation of graduates by Dawn Byrum, Crockett's 6-12 Supervisor of Instruction (with a brief relief stint from Principal Jerrod Shelton); and the presentation of diplomas and a short challenge by Director of Schools P. A. Pratt.

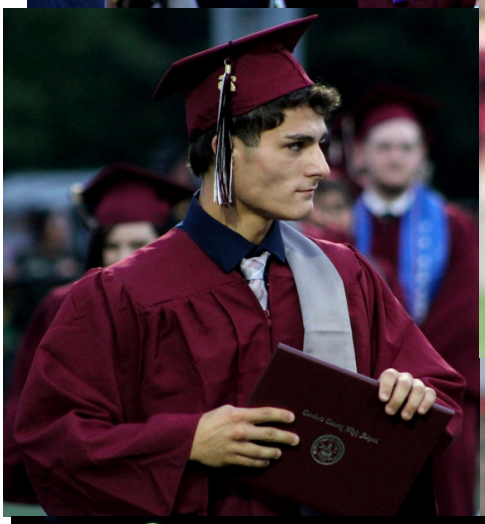


Shelton informed the capacity crowd that the senior class of 2026 had acquired well over $2 million in scholarship money from various sources. He also recognized groups of students such as the Cavalier Scholars; Academic Excellence achievers; Star Students; Beta Club members; National Technical Honor Society members; Graduates with Distinction; Honors students; Military Dependents; Ready graduates; students who would be entering military service; and the first group of graduates from the CCHS Middle College – students who simultaneously received an associate degree from Dyersburg State Community College.



Following are some of the sights of the graduation ceremony…




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