

C.E. BYRD HIGH SCHOOL

*Class of 2026*

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES



SHREVEPORT CONVENTION CENTER  
SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2026  
7:00 P.M.

## C.E. BYRD ALMA MATER

*Byrd, we stand to honor thee,  
Alma Mater true.  
Loyal homage we will bring  
Through the years to you.  
Loyalty, honesty,  
With our friendship hold,  
Always deep within our hearts  
The Purple and the Gold!*

### CLASS SONG

*“Landslide”  
Fleetwood Mac*

### CLASS FLOWER

*Lilies*

### CLASS MOTTO

*“Forever together, never apart, maybe in distance,  
but always deep within our hearts”*

### CLASS OFFICERS

PRESIDENT .....	Averie Meshelle Jones
VICE PRESIDENT .....	Jorden Amber Wyatt
SECRETARY .....	Camrey Denae Wilson
TREASURER .....	Mason Neal Kinley
PARLIAMENTARIAN .....	Bruce Nguyen Ngo
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS .....	Hudson Jake Dye
CLASS SPONSOR .....	Jessica Blackwell
SENIOR COUNSELOR .....	Amanda Byrd
FACULTY MARSHALS .....	Jalen Bowers
	John Lary
	Whitney Lary
	Stephanie Springer
	Katie Strong
	Allie Zator

### Caddo Parish School Board Members:

Steve Umling, District 1 Jasmine Green, District 2 Dr. Terence Vinson, District 3 Don Little, District 4  
**(President)** Dr. Bonita Douzart, District 5 Mary Trammel, District 6 **(1st Vice President)** Jerry Bowman,  
Jr., District 7 Jeri Bowen, District 8 Barry Rachal, District 9 **(2nd Vice President)** Katie McLain, District  
10 Jessica Yeates, District 11 Dottie Bell, District 12

# COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

Tripp Stein Lowry, Presiding

- \*Processional.....“Pomp and Circumstance” .....C.E. Byrd High School Band
- \*Posting of Colors..... C.E. Byrd High School JROTC Color Guard
- \*Pledge of Allegiance ..... Led by Kendall Gabrielle McDuffy
- \*National Anthem ..... Mia Burke Kiihnl
- \*Invocation ..... Chloe Elizabeth Clark
- Greeting.....Gerald R. Badgley, *Principal*  
Keith Burton, *Superintendent*  
Donald Little, *Caddo Parish School Board Member, District 4*
- Reading ..... Audrey Corinne Welch
- Song .....C.E. Byrd Choir
- Challenge .....Jackson Wade Candler
- Introduction of Speaker..... Elizabeth Christian Briery
- Commencement Address .....Holly Briery, *Parent of a Graduating Senior*
- Tribute to Parents ..... Ellissa Cinet Bryant, Henry Harman Peacock,  
Duncan James Rowe, Caroline Elizabeth Schoonover
- Tribute to Teachers..... Georgia Grace Buteau, Kinsley Madison Forsythe,  
Aiden Terence Hilliard, Grayson McKinley Muller
- Tribute to Administrators ..... Tori Nicole Emminger, Ivy Rebecca Frierson,  
Camryn Ariyah Stewart, Kyler Austin Taylor
- Awarding of Diplomas ..... Gerald R. Badgley, *Principal*  
Megan Allen, *Interim Assistant Principal*  
Andrea Bryant, *Administrative Assistant* Jacob Mainiero, *Assistant Principal*  
Lisa Johnson, *Assistant Principal* Jana Panos, *Assistant Principal*
- Special Ceremony ..... Ellise Caelyn Bryant, Isabel Anne Crawford,  
Sarah Catherine Googe, Sarah Bailey Harris, Emma Grace Nichols
- \*The Alma Mater ..... Introduced by Hannah Marie Howard, Hope Elizabeth Juneau,  
Lucy Pearl Tran, Allie Elizabeth Wimberly, Aniston Marion Wimberly
- \*Benediction .....Mary Elizabeth Allen
- Recessional ..... (Audience seated)
- \**Graduates and Audience Stand*

## C.E. BYRD CLASS OF 2026

Addison Jade Adcock	Zack Nehemiah Bradley
Luis Giovanni Agreda Ruiz	Avery Elizabeth Brainis
Layne Anne Airhart	Mattison Anese Brayboy
Camille Denise Alford	Ta'voirs Corinthian Bridgewater
Madison Rae Allen	Elizabeth Christian Briery
Mary Elizabeth Allen	Charlotte Elaine Broad
Megan Renae Allen	Alexandra Lynn Brock
Abram Elias Anderson	Beau Ryan Brossette
Joel Hadley Anderson	Anaya Rashae Brown
Isaac Ward Andrews	Ariel Alesha Bryant
Rowan Henry Arnold	Ellise Caelyn Bryant
Aniyah Nicole Ary	Ellissa Cinet Bryant
Gabriella Grace Ball	Dansby Katherine Burford
Bernard Ellis Barfield	Georgia Grace Buteau
Madeline Grace Basco	Gentry Renee Byrd
Makinnly Rakell Baylor	Jackson Wade Candler
Braxton Parker Beard	Olivia Kate Carpenter
Maya Nicole Beasley	Bre`Anna Unshia Carter
Brooke Je`nyyah Bell	Noah Alexander Casas
Clayton Rigby Bloch	Benjamin Thomas Cathey
Emma Cate Blocker	Ean Ahmad Chaney
Roman Daeshaun Bolar	Libby Ling-Xiao Chen
Kamiyah Gabrielle Boone	Chloe Elizabeth Clark
Troy Ivan Bow	Leah Alexa Colin-Sutton
Robert Marshall Bowen	Riley Kate Collier
Adrienne Marie Braden	Nicovia Kaloni Cooks
Conly Pierce Bradford	Christopher Calvin Coutee
Cherry Veronica Bradley	Za`Niyah Renae Covington

## C.E. BYRD CLASS OF 2026

Isabel Anne Crawford	Ja`Lasia Monae Gilbert
Miya Rhea Crawford	Ti`Ara Trimece Gilbert
Madden Rolee Cromer	Ashley Rena Gilcrease
Cameron Nathaniel Davenport	Sarah Catherine Googe
Taniayh Brianna Davis	Alayijah Ajahnae Gordon
Ryder Pierce Deacon	Landon Wayne Graham
Elijah Jermaine Dean	Ian Kendall Gray
Lynley Claire Dipaul	Imani Keira Gray
Wyatt Aiden Ditt	Jazmyne Janea Green
Jonah Garrett Dupree	Sophia Louise Greer
Hudson Jake Dye	Rilen Lyn Guice
Tori Nicole Emminger	Georgia Lea Gullett
Julie Anne Epp	Cameron Deontray Hall
Dylan Matthias Eskew	Ella Cate Hall
Carmen Leilani Espree	Zariyah Ariel Hall
Raylin O`Ryan Ford	Amorie Simone Alexandria Smith Hamilton
Kathryn Abigail Foreman	Akeelah Marie Deshay Haney
Kinsley Madison Forsythe	Anayah Mae Haney
Elaine Grace Fortson	Ryan Christopher Hardey
Kolton Ryan Foster	Clark Allen Harp
Izaiah Matthew Foust	Sarah Bailey Harris
Kennedi Arneker Franklin	Carrington Elysse Harrison
Elizabeth Chase Franks	Amaree Mekhi Hayes
Ivy Rebecca Frierson	Adeline Kathleen Hays
Isaiah Christopher Fuller	Zoey Danielle Haywood
Alton Jalon Fullwood	Mackenzie Alivia Hebert
Magdalena Garcia	Nicholas Odis Henderson
Chandler Alexis Gardner	

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Brennen Cole Henley	Malik Peyton Jones
Samaira Elizabeth Grace Hill	Nysaiah Nehemiah Jones
Aiden Terence Hilliard	Palmer Madeline Jones
Reece McCain Hoffman	Tamiya Mariya Jones
Helen Ramsey Hoffpauir	Hope Elizabeth Juneau
Akema Grace Hogan	Mia Burke Kiihnl
Tommie`ya Tylayah Holden	Mason Neal Kinley
Maverick Wesley Hoskison	Jazzyana Morne' Knight
Hannah Marie Howard	Jordan Michelle LaBorde
McKinna Klaire Hudson	DeMarlon Catrell Lee
Cason Michael Hughes	Jami Christian Lee
Lauren Elisabeth Huguet	Trinity Cheyenne Lee
Wyatt Timothy Humpal	Kendall Preston Leray
Christian La`Tron Hunter	Christopher Pierre Lewis
Christopher La`Mond Hunter	Jayla Jonee' Linnear
John Ashton Hunter	Jacqueline Mccarter Loftin
Dawton Montgomery Iman	Lillian Grace Loggins
Anterrio Demetric Jackson	Tanner Reed Lollar
Johnathan Kentray Jackson Jr	Bequer Francisco Lopez Reyes
Keuna Gabriella Jackson	Tripp Stein Lowry
Marriah Heavenly James	Jacob Conrad Mangin
Remington Fisher Joe	Taylor Leigh Marion
Christoya Jachrista Johnson	Abram Cole Marshall
Ja`vion Author Johnson	Rhett Austin Marshall
Kamrein Makenzie Johnson	Jacob Alexander Martin
April Lashea Jones	A`Riyah Janese Mason
Averie Meshelle Jones	Conor Thomas Maylon
Jacob Wilson Jones	Kentravion Deshun Mayshack

## C.E. BYRD CLASS OF 2026

Darius Hayes McClendon	Annalise Nicole Noble
Mittiekathryn Saniyah McCoy	Emma Mae Oakley
Thomas James McCoy	Shau`Mya Marshay Odom
Reagan Brianna McCrary	Lynnae Ann Offord
Stephen Tyler McCutcheon III	Ava Elizabeth Osbon
Jake Bradley McDaniel	Lola Holliday Overdyke
Kendall Gabrielle McDuffy	Caroline Elizabeth Pace
Sally Suzanne McKenzie	William Stephen Palmer
Alex De`Shun McNeil	Mia Bailey Patterson
Alexis Roshae McNeil	Henry Harman Peacock
Molly Katherine McQueary	Jayda Sky Pearson
Adam Gordon Mercer	Jordan Rain Pearson
Haley Nicole Miles	Ka`Leatha Danyell Pennywell
Da Marsae Marcellis Mitchell	Geremiah Jaylan Phill
Karlecia Aniyah Ross Mitchell	Ashleigh Marie Pleasant
Jataviya Jamysha Moore	Thomas Walter Poljak
Michael Godfrey Morrow	Grayson James Pouncy
Alex Walker Moton	Aubrei Lynne Powell
Grayson Mckinley Muller	Morgan Marie Pratt
Alexis Annette Mullone	Cordarly Lamount Prelow
Asher John Murray	Mya Bell Prestopine
Mia Lyn Murray	Sha`Myiah Yazanae Pugh
Dereyon Montrez Myles	Hanna Jane Afable Quintana
O`Rian Marquel Ned	Landry Nicole Rainey
Russell Connor Neely	Kalen Jace Rawls
Bruce Nguyen Ngo	Margaret Lynn Ray
Markeith Landale Niblett Jr	De`Shaun Jakell Reed
Emma Grace Nichols	Brooks Michael Reid

## C.E. BYRD CLASS OF 2026

Wesley Lane Remedies	Braeden Scott Smith
Angelina Marie Renaud	Isaiah Bernard Smith
Cash Elliot Revere	Sarah Avery Smith
Keirah Ameana Rhymes	Wyatt Vance Smith
Zadarrion Dawilliam Richardson	Jillian Suzanne Snyder
Khloe Ja`Mya Roberson	Clayton Riley Sojka
Emma Claire Robinson	Sydney Anne Sotak
Isaiah Donte Lamar Robinson	Sydnei Nicole Spearman
Sydney Marie Robinson	Demario Cortez Spearman-Lewis
Railey Grace Rodgers	Peyton Tyler Speckman
Madeleine Rodriguez	Hayden Reese Spivey
Chris Daniel Rosales	Christopher Jaiden Square
Jeffry Romel Rosales	Audri Lee Ann Stevens
Taylor Addison Rossitter	Camryn Ariyah Stewart
Duncan James Rowe	Kingsley Cook Stewart
Shunience L`ena Rushing	Melanie Lenese Stewart
Romina Salazar	Amya Rhynae Stokes
Daniel Ayala Sanchez	Joseph Michael Stratton
Vushunn Terrell Sanders	Andie Loren Tabor
Jocelyne Evolet Sands	Jamiya Meshae Taylor
Caroline Elizabeth Schoonover	Kyler Austin Taylor
Calista Scott	Keyanna Keyshawn Thomas
Ava Claire Sepulvado	Sha`Diamond Jasmiere Thomas
Owen Brooks Sepulvado	Skyy Lynn Thomas
Christa Chantrel Shaw	Treasure Quinnae Thomas
Jo`Elle Nevaeh Simmons	Antavia De`Miyah Tillman
Layla Cheyanne Simmons	Ta`Lesha Renee Tilmon
Connor Patrick Simpson	Lucy Pearl Tran

## C.E. BYRD CLASS OF 2026

William Gerald Trudnak

Colton Lane Tucker

Keleah Pamela Tucker

Nicholus Thi Veal

Mckenzie Nicole Waffer

Jordan Deshaun Walker

Sh`Ruben Yvette Walpool

Ava Mayre Walters

Ricardo De`mon Ware Jr

Ja`Nayvion Cedric Warner

Kate Nicole Warner

Tayvious De`micheal Wayne  
Washington

Cristen Joy-Michelle Webb

Catie Ann Webster

Audrey Corinne Welch

Christian Rayone Wesley-Cawthorn

Ta`Tyana Ali Whitaker

Donald James Wilhelm

Brooke Elise Wilkinson

Camron Tracy Williams

George Thomas Williams

Ja`Cari Dewayne Williams

Ja`Lynn Nicole Williams

Mikaila Tulana Williams

Nigel Holland Williams

Seandes Dewayne Williams

Ta`mon Bee Williams

Taylor Renae Williams

Abigail Alyse Wilson

Camrey Denae Wilson

William Murphy Wilson

Allie Elizabeth Wimberly

Aniston Marion Wimberly

Hannah Lyle Winklepleck

Ja`Kayla Nicole Woodard

Hayden Khristopher Wright

Jorden Amber Wyatt

Avery Santana Young

Tatum Mckay Young

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- ◆ Purple/Gold cords signify Honor graduates
  - ◆ Purple/Gold Medallions signify All A's in Grades 9-12
  - ◆ Purple/Gold/White cord signifies C.E. Byrd Student of the year
  - ◆ Gold/White cords signify Departmental Students of the Year
  - ◆ Blue/Green cords signify AP Capstone Students
  - ◆ Purple/White cords signify National Technical Honor Society members
  - ◆ Purple/ Gold/ Green cords signify Science National Honor Society members
  - ◆ Turquoise/Gold cords signify Mu Alpha Theta members
  - ◆ Lilac/Silver cords signify International Thespian Society members
  - ◆ Blue/Gold single cords signify Quill and Scroll members
  - ◆ Maroon cords signify National History Scholar Society members
  - ◆ Multicolor cords signify National Art Honor Society members
  - ◆ Gold/ Silver and Gold cords signify Work Keys Recipients
  - ◆ White BHS stoles signify Math/Science Magnet students
  - ◆ White V-Neck stoles signify National Honor Society members

# **CLASS OF 2026 HONORS AND AWARDS**

## **C.E. Byrd Student of the Year**

Tripp Lowry

## **C.E. Byrd Student of the Year Finalists**

Georgia Buteau, Hudson Dye, Kinsley Forsythe, Elaine Fortson, Palmer Jones, Grayson Muller, Emma Nichols, William Palmer, Joseph Stratton

## **Departmental Students of the Year**

Ellissa Bryant (English), Kingsley Stewart(Math), Jackson Candler(Science), Tripp Lowry (Social Studies), Hannah Quintana(Spanish), Antavia Tillman(French), Kendall McDuffy & Hope Juneau (Latin), Nicholas Henderson (Vocational), Molly McQueary(Art), Layne Airhart (Drama), Lillian Loggins (Choir), Lillian Loggins (JROTC), Caroline Schoonover (TAP Drama), Grayson Pouncy (TAP Instrumental Music), Sarah Googe (TAP Vocal Music), Emma Nichols (TAP Visual Arts), Kinsley Forsythe (Gateway)

## **All A's Grades 9-12**

Mary Allen, Ellissa Bryant, Georgia Buteau, Jackson Candler, Chloe Clark, Isabel Crawford, Tori Emminger, Kinsley Forsythe, Ivy Frierson, Sarah Googe, Hannah Howard, Palmer Jones, Mia Kiihnl, Jacqueline Loftin, Grayson Muller, Emma Nichols, Henry Peacock, Emma Robinson, Camryn Stewart, Lucy Tran, Audrey Welch, Abigail Wilson, Allie Wimberly, Aniston Wimberly

## **Army JROTC General John W. Trigg Award**

Lillian Loggins

## **CODOFIL French Award**

Antavia Tillman

## **Colonial Dames Essay Award**

Tripp Lowry, Duncan Rowe, Audrey Welch

## **DAR Good Citizen**

Kinsley Forsythe

## **Dr. John Bahcall Science Award**

Audrey Welch

## **Jacque Treese Math Award**

Joseph Stratton

## **National Council of Teachers of English Writing Award**

Mittiekathryn McCoy, Duncan Rowe, Cason Hughes, Jackson Candler

## **Woodmen of the World Award**

Jacqueline Loftin

## **C.E. BYRD AWARDS**

### **C. E. Byrd Citizen of the Year**

Tripp Lowry

### **C. E. Byrd Principal's Award**

Kinsley Forsythe

### **R. Lynne Fitzgerald Student of Excellence Award**

Antavia Tillman

## C.E. BYRD AWARDS

### AP Scholars

Abram Anderson, Joel Anderson, Maya Beasley, Emma Blocker, Benjamin Cathey, Riley Collier, Kathryn Foreman, Alton Fullwood, Ella Hall, Clark Harp, Brennen Henley, McKinna Hudson, Cason Hughes, John Hunter, Jacob Martin, Alex Moton, Emma Oakley, William Palmer, Aubrei Powell, Morgan Pratt, Sydney Robinson, Romina Salazar, Lucy Tran, Brooke Wilkinson, William Wilson

### AP Scholars with Honor

Mary Allen, Isaac Andrews, Clayton Bloch, Isabel Crawford, Madden Cromer, Elizabeth Franks, Ivy Frierson, Sophia Greer, Georgia Gulett, Nicholas Henderson, Averie Jones, Palmer Jones, Kendall McDuffy, Michael Morrow, Kalen Rawls, Margaret Ray, Caroline Schoonover, Connor Simpson, Sarah Smith, Jillian Snyder, Peyton Speckman, Camryn Stewart, Andie Tabor, Allie Wimberly, Hannah Winklepleck

### AP Scholars with Distinction

Beau Brossette, Georgia Buteau, Jackson Candler, Chloe Clark, Wyatt Ditt, Hudson Dye, Tori Emminger, Kinsley Forsythe, Elaine Fortson, Sarah Googe, Hannah Howard, Lauren Huguet, Wyatt Humpall, Mia Kihnl, Jacqueline Loftin, Tripp Lowry, Grayson Muller, Emma Nichols, Lola Overdyke, Henry Peacock, Thomas Poljak, Cash Revere, Emma Robinson, Duncan Rowe, Kingsley Stewart, Joseph Stratton, Audrey Welch, Abigail Wilson, Aniston Wimberly

### Advanced Industry Based Certifications

Roman Bolar, Ean Chaney, Nicovia Cooks, Elijah Dean, Landon Graham, Malik Jones, Alexis McNeil, Adam Mercer, De'shaun Reed, Owen Sepulvado, Braeden Smith, Colton Tucker, George Williams

**Edward C. "Pete" Aldridge Scholarship:** Audrey Welch

**Tem McElroy Award:** Grayson Muller

**Charles Ravenna Award:** Kate Warner

**Dunkelman Memorial Band Award:** Cordaryl Prelow

**Susan Marie Langford Meekins Award:** Wyatt Humpal

**Nancy Evans Shillcut Award:** Camryn Stewart

**Nancy Monzingo Art of Giving Award:** Elizabeth Briery

**General Joseph G. Gray Award:** Kendall McDuffy

**Breon A. Dennis Jr. Hometown Award:** George Williams, Sh'ruben Walpool

**Roy Keene Memorial Award:** Peyton Speckman, Abigail Wilson

**Arthur Burton Memorial Award:** Ellissa Bryant

**Buddy Shaw Award:** Emma Nichols

**Grover C. Koffman Award:** Jackson Candler, Audrey Welch

## **COAT OF ARMS**

The C. E. Byrd Coat of Arms, in purple and gold, is a scrolled shield depicting strength and protection. The mascot, a Yellow Jacket, rises above a winged torch, which symbolizes light and achievement.

The symbols of the school are contained in the body of the shield. The scale of justice represents the balance, which exists between the administration and the student; the lamp represents knowledge gained from experience; the open book symbolizes high academic standards; and the winged foot of Mercury represents excellence in athletics. The four stars in the center of the shield denote the freshman, sophomore, junior, and senior classes.

The shield rests on a wreath representing honor and excellence. The banners below contain the school's name, the date of its founding, and its location.

## **TO OUR GRADUATES**

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as your principal, especially as we celebrate this remarkable milestone- the graduation of C.E. Byrd High School's 101st class. Thank you for the memories and for allowing me to be a part of your journey. Once a Jacket, always a Jacket.

- Jerry Badgley Class of '76

## **TO OUR GUESTS**

Commencement, the solemn but joyful climax and recognition of the graduates' years of study, is an important and meaningful occasion to the school and its faculty, staff, and students. In keeping with this feeling, all guests and participants are requested to avoid unnecessary conversation or moving about during the exercises. Guests are also requested to refrain from making any noise other than that of applause after all graduates have received their diplomas.

The decorum of the event will be further enhanced if, after the exercises are in progress, guests refrain from entering the floor where graduates are seated.

Following the awarding of diplomas, the audience should stand for the benediction and then be seated until the recessional is completed.

We welcome you to the commencement exercises of C. E. Byrd High School.