The Soaring Eagle Spotlight

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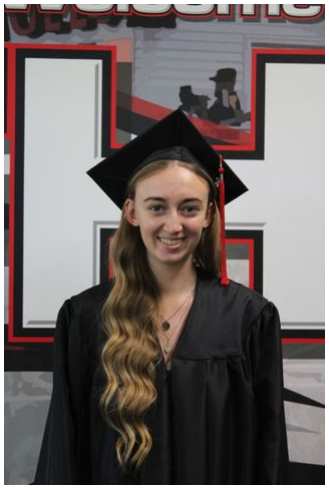
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Graduation 2026 Edition

Senecal, Concus Lead Class of 2026







By Mrs. Ashlee Hoos

Leading the way for the Class of 2026 are the two top students academically, Charlie Senecal and Gabriella Concus.

Charlie Senecal
The son of Charles and Julie Senecal, Charlie is graduating from Fremont High School as the Class of 2026 Valedictorian. He is heading to Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana, this fall to study business and pre-medicine, hoping to later attend medical school and become an orthopedic surgeon.

Earning valedictorian became his goal once he realized junior year that he was ranked number one in his class. In addition to school, he was also active as a golfer, tennis player, in student council, in NHS, and in ski club.

Mr. Dirig, Mrs. Dirig, and Mrs. Taylor were some of his favorite teachers, with physics and chemistry being classes he really enjoyed.

"Don't take things too seriously. You only have four years in high school, so don't spend them worrying about what other people think," he says as advice for underclassmen.

Gabriella Concus
The daughter of Christina and Daniel Concus, Gabriella is graduating as the Salutatorian for the Fremont High School Class of 2026.

She will be attending Georgia Southern University this fall in Statesboro, Georgia, to study secondary mathematics education.

Throughout high school, she has been active in the band, playing the flute and piccolo. She has also been active with FIST, Student Council, and NHS. She has also been a member of the FHS Academic Teams.

Math and science classes, especially with Mr. Dirig and Mrs. Taylor, were favorites for her while at Fremont.

The Soaring Eagle Spotlight wishes the best of luck to Charlie, Gabby, and all of the class of 2026.

FHS Class of 2026 Top 10 Students

By Mrs. Ashlee Hoos

The Fremont High School Class of 2026 is full of talented students who will, no doubt, go far in life. From entering the workforce to studying at colleges and universities across the country, even entering the military, the class of 2026 has big plans for their future endeavors.

Of these talented students, a select few rise above the rest as the top 10 of their class. After the valedictorian and salutatorian, these students are listed alphabetically and not in order of class rank.

These Top 10 Students are -
Charlie Senecal, *Valedictorian*
Gabriella Concus, *Salutatorian*
Ryan Baker
Jake Chilenski
Lilian Coler
Camilla Cox
Emery Laughlin
Alexis Lovell
Brayton Moss
Lela Wolf

Congratulations, Class of 2026!

Class of 2026 Graduates from FHS on May 24



(Above) The students pictured have all earned at least one course of dual credit while at Fremont High School. Pictured are all dual credit earners, freshman through senior.

(Below) The Class of 2026 has several students who are graduating with a GPA above 4.0, which is achieved by earning an A in a dual credit course with weighted grades. These students received summa cum laude honors at the all-school awards on May 8.



By Mrs. Ashlee Hoos

More than 140 years of graduates have become Fremont alumni, and the class of 2026 will join those ranks on May 24 at 2 p.m. in the Fremont High School Gymnasium.

Led by Valedictorian Charlie Senecal and Salutatorian Gabriella Concus, the class of 2026 has numerous awards and accomplishments that they should be extremely proud of.

In their four years at Fremont, this class has made numerous accomplishments in academics, athletics, music, fine arts, and beyond. Students from this class have broken school athletic records; they have won sectional, regional and semi-state athletic titles, and they have won local and state academic championships.

Students in the class of 2026 have also won state-level music and fine arts awards and have been recognized for work on projects that will shape the future for those far beyond the boundaries of Fremont.

Numerous students in this class have completed community service volunteer hours, certification training at IMPACT Institute, and hold jobs outside of school.

Most importantly, the class of 2026 have shown themselves to be exceptional humans who have a true thirst for knowledge, a passion for being the best they can, and a drive to succeed no matter what is thrown at them. Many members are earning an Indiana Academic Honors Diploma, an Indiana Technical Honors Diploma, or both. A majority also earned at least one course of dual credit while at Fremont.

Students from the FHS Class of 2026 are headed for the United States Military, to colleges and universities to chase their dreams, and into the workforce to help make the world a better place one day at a time.

Come celebrate the class of 2026 as they walk the stage toward their futures on May 24 at 2 p.m. in the FHS Gymnasium. Tickets are not required.

FHS Alumni Banquet on Saturday, May 23

By Mrs. Ashlee Hoos

Join other Fremont High School alumni on May 23 for the annual Alumni Banquet, held at Fremont Middle School, starting at 6 p.m.

The Class of 2026 is expected to attend. Other honor classes will also be recognized the night of the event.

Tickets for attendees may be purchased through May 21 at various places in Fremont. The Alumni Banquet has been a tradition for Fremont Graduates since 1896.

Senior Eagles Reach the Sky With Achievements

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Awards day at Fremont High School is always a joyous day, and the awards day featuring the class of 2026 was no exception. Students received a number of awards. The list is as follows:

Valedictorian — Charles Senecal
Salutatorian — Gabriella Concus
Top Ten Percent of Class — Jake Chilenski, Lilian Coler, Gabriella Concus, Emery Laughlin, Alexis Lovell, Charles Senecal, Lela Wolf
Summa Cum Laude — Ryan Baker, Sydney Burkholder, Jake Chilenski, Lilian Coler, Gabriella Concus, Camilla Cox, Lilliahnah Foreman, Alex Gilbert, Jake Hilvers, Ella Kerner, Emery Laughlin, Alexis Lovell, Katie McElhoe, Brayton Moss, Charles Senecal, Devlin Smith, Brooke Squires, Lela Wolf
President's Education Achievement Award — Hayden McNeeley
Core 40 with Honors Diplomas — Ryan Baker, Sydney Burkholder, Jake Chilenski, Lilian Coler, Taylor Colliver, Gabriella Concus, Camilla Cox, Ava Davis, Ashton Elder, Lilliahnah Foreman, Alex Gilbert, Hailey Heller, Jake Hilvers, Ella Kerner, Emery Laughlin, Alexis Lovell, Katie McElhoe, Hayden McNeeley, Gage Miller, Tyler Miller, Brayton Moss, Katie Ridenour, Thor Schemahorn, Charles Senecal, Devlin Smith, Brooke Squires, Willow Towers, Gauge Underwood, Daniel Walters, Aubrey Wills, Lela Wolf
Core 40 with Technical Honors Diplomas — Taylor Colliver, Danika-Lynne Milliman, Zander Reetz, Katie Ridenour, Gauge Underwood, Brayden Vanderpool, Daniel Walters, Aubrey Wills
"All A" Honor Roll
Grade 9: Brynleigh Bressler, Lucas Concus, Maci Dalene, Addison Kaiser, Avery Lash, Kylee Longardner, Kaylee Shoemaker, Eva Vanderpool, Elizabeth Yoder
Grade 10: Arianna Baum, Caroline Cox, Evangeline Kelley, Kaylee Sanford, Claire Senecal, Christopher Thober
Grade 11: Emily Foster, Olivia Foster, Jordan Gibson, Gavin Grogg, Mallorie Hufnagle, Bella Lofland, Catherine Mann, Lily McKnight, Kaylee Neuenschwander, Leah Probst, Grace Scharlach, Aubrey Steele
Grade 12: Ryan Baker, Jake Chilenski, Gabriella Concus, Camilla Cox, Emery Laughlin, Alexis Lovell, Katie McElhoe, Brayton Moss, Charles Senecal, Daniel Walters, Lela Wolf
National Honor Society Senior Members—Ryan Baker, Jake Chilenski, Lilian Coler, Gabriella Concus, Emery Laughlin, Charles Senecal
NECC All-Academic Team — Gabriella Concus, Alexis Lovell, Charlie Senecal
Academic All-Star Nominee — Alexis Lovell
Rising Stars of Indiana — Emma Creager, Jordan Gibson, Leah Probst, Aubrey Steele
Fremont High School Academic Team Members
English: Ava Kitch, Amelia Morrissette, Tristan Price, Ella Weible
Fine Arts: Oliver Chorpenning, Gavin Grogg, Elliot Teeple
Mathematics: Jake Chilenski, Gabriella Concus, Jordan Gibson, Brayton Moss, Avi Patel
Science: Jake Chilenski, Lilian Coler, Avi Patel, Thor Schemahorn
Social Studies: Ava Kitch, Brayton Moss, Thor Schemahorn, Ella Weible
Fremont High School Key Club Awards
President: Thor Schemahorn; *Vice President*: Oliver Chorpenning; *Treasurer*: Michael Fisher; *Secretary*: Ava Kitch; *Webmaster*: Amelia Morrissette
Outstanding Community Service Members of Key Club
Ava Kitch: 125 hours; Brayton Moss: 108 hours; Thor Schemahorn: 99 hours; Emma Blotter: 72 hours; Amelia Morrissette: 54 hours; Alex Gilbert: 51 hours; Jordan Gibson: 50 hours; Lucy Heller: 48 hours; Michael Fisher: 44 hours; Mercadies Vaughn: 44 hours; Avi Patel: 43 hours; Addilyn Crist: 35 hours; Oliver Chorpenning: 34 hours; Abby Jordan: 26 hours
Steuben County Art Show: First Place — Lilliahnah Foreman, Second Place — Bella Holmes, Third Place — Valorie Geller, Honorable Mention — Kati Gillespie, Valorie Geller, Teacher's Choice — Caroline Cox, Bella Holmes
Drama Awards
Star Performers, Seniors Awards: Brayton Moss, Thor Schemahorn
Student Council Awards
President: Emery Laughlin
Vice President: Leah Probst
Secretary: Christopher Thober
Treasurer: Ryan Baker
Attendance Officer: Avery Lash
Fremont High School Student Council Scholarship — Lilliahnah Foreman
Red Cross Scholarship — Lilian Coler
Fremont FFA Awards — *Green Hand Awards*: Raven Appleton, Lucas Concus, Emma Creager, Maci Dalene, Lilliahnah Foreman, Aubri Pica, Leah Probst, McKinzie Quear, London Senecal, Hawkin Wise, Elizabeth Yoder
Star Green Hand: Lilliahnah Foreman
Chapter FFA Degree: Elizabeth Yoder
Skills USA State Competition
Audio Production: Interactive Media, Bronze Award — Jonathan Garcia
Criminal Justice: Bronze — Taylor Colliver
Senior Class Officers
President: Gabriella Concus; *Vice-President*: Emery Laughlin; *Secretary*: Aubrey Wills
Junior Class Officers
President: Leah Probst; *Vice President*: Emma Creager; *Secretary*: Mallorie Hufnagle
Sophomore Class Officers
President: Caroline Cox; *Vice President*: Christopher Thober; *Secretary*: Elizabeth King
Freshman Class Officers
President: Avery Lash; *Vice President*: Makena Moxie; *Secretary*: Elizabeth Yoder

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FHS Awards Day Recipients Continued...

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Snow Lake Cottagers Association — Ryan Baker
Aquinas College Scholarship — Hailey Heller
Ball State University Presidential Scholarship — Emery Laughlin
Bowling Green State University Design Engineering Technology University Freshman Academic Scholarship, Choice Scholarship — Tyler Miller
Carroll University Donor Scholarship, eSports Scholarship — Carmyne Moreno
Georgia Southern University Out-of-State Scholarship — Gabriella Concus
Indiana University IU Excellence Scholarship — Charles Senecal
Purdue Fort Wayne Academic Scholarship — Lilliahnah Foreman
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology Merit Scholar, Provost Scholarship — Lela Wolf
The Salon Professional Academy Scholarship — Kailyn Peet
Trine University CIT Chair Scholarship, Trine Opportunity Award, Allen Engineering Award, eSports Award — Brayton Moss
Trine University Ketner School of Business Chair Scholarship for Finance — Devlin Smith
Trine University Trustee Scholarship, Dual Enrollment Scholarship, Scholarship Day Award, and Pre-Health Track Award—Katie McElhoe
Trine University Trustee Scholarship, Scholarship Day Award, Dual Enrollment Scholarship, and Legacy Scholarship — Sydney Burkholder
Trine University Dean's Scholarship, Trine Opportunity Award — Zander Reetz
Trine University Computer Science Chair Tuition Scholarship, Dual Enrollment Scholarship, Scholarship Day Award, Allen Engineering Scholastic Award — Jake Chilenski
Trine University/Fremont High School Tuition Scholarship, Legacy Scholarship, Allen Engineering Scholastic Award — Hayden McNeeley
Trine University Dual Enrollment Award, University Scholarship — Corbin Book
Trine University Allen School of Engineering and Computing Scholarship, Allen Engineering Scholastic Award, Dual Enrollment Grant — Alex Gilbert
Trine University Mechanical Engineering Chair Tuition Scholarship, Allen Engineering Scholastic Award, Legacy Scholarship — Jake Hilvers
Trine University Allen School of Engineering Scholarship, University Scholarship, Trine Legacy Award — Gage Miller
University of Notre Dame University Scholarship, Notre Dame Scholarship — Alexis Lovell
Universal Technical Institute "Imagine America" Scholarship — Ryan Baker
Fremont American Legion Auxiliary Scholarships — Sydney Burkholder, Katie McElhoe
Fremont American Legion Riders Scholarships — Sydney Brukholder, Lilian Coler, Lilliahnah Foreman, Jake Hilvers
Sons of the American Legion Scholarships — Lilian Coler, Gabriella Concus, Lilliahnah Foreman, Kailyn Peet, Brooke Squires
Elks Academic Scholarship — Lima, Ohio Chapter — Tyler Miller
Joe Stempien Community Leadership Scholarships — Michael Fisher, Trace Handshoe, Carmyne Moreno
FCTA Scholarship — Gabriella Concus
Tri Kappa Scholarship — Lilian Coler, Lilliahnah Foreman, Emery Laughlin
101 Lakes Kiwanis Club — Thor Schemahorn
101 Lakes Kiwanis Club Trine Scholarship — Ava Davis
Land of Lakes Lions Club—Lilian Coler, Katie McElhoe
SDI Scholarship — Harlee Wise
Pleasant Lake Lions Club Scholarship — Harlee Wise
Clear Lake Lions Club — Ryan Baker, Jake Chilenski, Camilla Cox, Kailyn Peet
Clifford Abbott Scholarship — Gabriella Concus
Fourever Friends 2011 Memorial Scholarship — Gabriella Concus
Joy of Music — Gwen Baker Scholarship — Gabriella Concus
Pauline Hand Memorial Scholarship — Gabriella Concus
SCCF Circle of Friends Scholarship — Gabriella Concus
Richard L. Baker Memorial Scholarship — Gabriella Concus
Angola Rotary Club Scholarship — Katie Ridenour
Greg Shively Memorial Scholarship — Katie Ridenour
Clifford Abbott Scholarship Fund — Charles Senecal
Lakeland Marine Retailers Association Scholarship — Charles Senecal
SCCF Circle of Friends Scholarship — Charles Sencal, Lela Wolf
F.I.S.T. Service Recognition Award — Gabriella Concus
College Board First Generation Recognition Award — Thor Schemahorn, Lela Wolf
College Board Rural and Small-Town Recognition Award — Lilian Coler, Emery Laughlin, Thor Schemahorn, Charles Senecal, Lela Wolf
College Board School Recognition Award — Lilian Coler, Gabriella Concus, Emery Laughlin, Thor Schemahorn, Charles Senecal, Lela Wolf

Prom 2026 Royalty Crowned



Two seniors and two juniors received new titles during the 2026 Junior/Senior Prom. Senior Reice Morton was crowned Prom Queen and Senior Trace Handshoe was crowned Prom King. Juniors Jaret Laughlin and Grace Scharlach were crowned Prom Prince and Prom Princess. This year's prom was held at the Steuben County Event Center, Angola, and had an Arabian Nights theme. The After Prom event, held at Fremont Middle School, was Kentucky Derby-themed and gave students who attended the opportunity to play games and win prizes, donated by generous sponsors and donors. The after-prom event was open to students even if they didn't attend prom.



Interdisciplinary Academic Team Wins State

By Mrs. Ashlee Hoos

The Fremont High School Academic Teams had a spectacular season, with three teams making it to the state meet.

The Interdisciplinary Team came out on top at that meet, winning a state title. The Math Team took third place in the state after the tie-breaker, and the Science Team took second place, also after a tie-breaker.

Each season, the Academic Super Bowl is themed, and this year's theme was The American Revolution. Students on the teams all spend a considerable amount of time preparing for competitions, with local competitions being held as qualifiers for the state event.

Subject-areas eligible for competition in Academic Super Bowl are English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Interdisciplinary, and Fine Arts.

This year's state event was held in West Lafayette, Indiana. Fremont's teams are coached by high school teachers Mr. Jim Dirig, Mrs. Laura Harris, Mrs. Laura Taylor, and Mrs. Angela Wirick.

Congratulations, Academic Team Members, and seniors you will be missed! Best of luck in your future endeavors!