# CENTENNIAL HIGH SCHOOL
# 2026 COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

**UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS STATE FARM CENTER**
**MAY 26, 2026**
**4:30 PM**

**CENTENNIAL HIGH SCHOOL: COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY**

TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2026

*Centennial High School's commencement is a joyous and formal celebration of our Charger's individual and collective accomplishments. It is natural for families, friends, and supporters to feel a surge of pride when their graduate's name is announced. If you choose to express that pride with cheers, we ask that you do so briefly, allowing us to proceed smoothly through the list of graduates so that everyone's name can be heard and their moment can be honored. Thank you.*

***Prelude Music & Processional*** — ***Centennial's Combined Symphonic Band & Orchestra***

*"Fanfare and Processional – Pomp and Circumstance"*
*Mike Allen, Conducting for Band*
*Lily Samson, Conducting for Orchestra*

***National Anthem*** — ***Expressions Choir***

*Ms. Stefanie Eustice, Conducting*

***Welcome Message*** — ***Sara Sanders***

*Principal, Centennial High School*

***Musical Selection*** — ***Expressions Choir Director, Stefanie Eustice***

*"The Road Home"*
*Composed by Stephen Paulus, Words & Lyrics by Michael Dennis Browne*
*Directed by Stefanie Eustice; Mark Woolwine, Accompanist*

***Senior Address*** — ***Ashayla Bishop***

*"Our Last Lap"*
*Member, Class of 2026*

***Senior Address*** — ***Anna Knapp***

*"Nostalgia"*
*Member, Class of 2026*

***Senior Address*** — ***Safa Thameem***

*"What Centennial Taught Us"*
*Member, Class of 2026*

***Presentation of the Class*** — ***Sara Sanders***

*Principal, Centennial High School*

***Acceptance of the Class*** — ***Dr. Geovanny Ponce***

*Superintendent, Champaign Community Unit School District #4*

***Presentation of Diplomas*** — ***Board of Education***

*Tony Bruno, President*
*Fatima Ahmed, Vice President*
*Amy Armstrong, Secretary*
*Christy Arnold*
*Justin Michael Hendrix*
*Betsy Holder*
*Dr. Grace Kang*

***Senior Montage*** — ***Class of 2026***

*Created by College & Career Counselor, Aaron Chun*

***Turning of the Tassels*** — ***Class of 2026***

*Trey'von Amos, Sienna Jones, Tazyah Kinard*

***Recessional*** — ***Centennial's Symphonic Band***

*"Pageant"*
*John Cacavas, Composer*
*Directed by Brian Ford*

***(The audience is requested to remain seated during the recessional)***

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***KEY TO GRADUATION CORDS AND STOLES***

***Gold Cords*** *are worn by students with a GPA of 4.0*
***Silver Cords*** *are worn by students with a GPA of 3.500-3.999*
***Bronze Cords*** *are worn by students with a GPA of 3.000-3.499*
***AVID*** *– Blue & Yellow Cords*
***French Honor Society*** *– Red, White, & Blue Cords*
***Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)*** *– Royal Blue, Gold, & White Cords*
***Mu Alpha Theta Math Honor Society*** *– Light Blue & Gold Cords*
***National Art Honor Society*** *– Red, Blue, Yellow, & Green Cords*
***National English Honor Society*** *– Royal Blue Cords*
***National Honor Society*** *– White Cords*
***Rho Kappa Social Studies Honor Society*** *– Royal Blue & White Cords*
***Rotary Interact*** *– Royal Blue & Gold Cords*
***Science National Honor Society*** *– Purple, Green, & Gold Cords*
***Spanish Honor Society*** *– Red & Gold Cords*
***Thespian Honor Society*** *– Blue & Gold Cords*
***Tri-M National Musical Honor Society*** *– Light Pink Cords*

## PRESENTING THE CENTENNIAL HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2026

*Aikens, Ryleigh Za'marria*
*Allen, Isaiah A.*
*Alsaqri, Jamal*
*Alvarez, Derek*
*Amos, Trey'von*
*Ard, Elijah W.*
*Armea, Heaven Grace*
*Armstrong, Amysia*
*Augusto, Amirah Reese*
*Baker, Jack*
*Banks, Kendrell*
*Barker, Ekahri*
*Barker, Jamaya Georgie*
*Barry, Jakhyla*
*Basu, Sabolil*
*Beaman, Holdyn P.*
*Bengco, Jonas*
*Bhosale, Riti*
*Bialeschki, Olivia Audrey*
*Bishop, Ashayla A.*
*Blackwell, Ty'Riq-Adonis Z.*
*Bochantine, Kaleb*
*Boitnott, Mia Grace*
*Bolton, Nia J.*
*Borden, Kennedy*
*Boyd, Raygan Shylee*
*Britton, Brittani Mychell Lynn*
*Britton, Julie Ellen*
*Brock, Jonisha*
*Brown, Amere*
*Brown, Cynthia O.*
*Brown, Nina Simone*
*Brown, Preston*
*Buchanan, DaQuan*
*Buford, Celina Marie*
*Burgstrom, Breanna R.*
*Burton, Clayton T., Jr.*
*Byrne, Michael J.*
*Cadman, June*
*Caipal, Jefryl Hernan T.*
*Campbell, Keonae K.*
*Carr, Sabrina*
*Carrillo Aguilar, Alexis*
*Carson, Sophia*
*Carter, Austin*
*Casado Cock, Juan Camilo*
*Castillo Diaz, Laura*
*Cervone, Savannah*
*Chapple, Alex*
*Chapple, Raymond D.*
*Christie, Shawna*
*Cicone, Abigail Irene*
*Cicone, Tyler J.*
*Clark, Sherrod*
*Cleveland, Abigail*
*Coats, Memphis*
*Coleman, Daizit*
*Cox, Teagan*
*Craft, Ozie*
*Croom, Emanae Marcella Dezette*
*Dague, Bradyn Joseph*
*Dastgheib, Ali*
*Day, Heaven Dairyona*
*Dee, Kamille*
*Deer, Ciemone G.*
*Diamani, Diana*
*Diego Juan, Catarina M.*
*Diep, Shayla*
*Dixon, Morgan*
*Dixon, Quincy*
*Do, Tam Minh*
*Dobynes, Jazmere Marcus*
*Domingo, Alex*
*Dorris, Kaliliyah K.*
*Downs, Charles D.*
*Duma, Elie Beni M.*
*Dunklin, Kamari Lenae*
*Ebes, Jeremy Reyes*
*Edwards, Sinceer*
*El Gabardil, Youssef Zakaria*
*Elliot, Josephine*
*Ellis, Antaria Janaee*
*Fischman, Lacey*
*Fisher, Silas*
*Flaningam, Milo*
*Fleck, Katharina A.*
*Fondia, Kaniyah*
*Foster, Clement, III*
*Fuili, Bobo B.*
*Gaddy, Myleah*

*Galan Guillen, Luis A.*
*Gaona, Miguel*
*Garcia, Lexi B.*
*Garcia, Marlex Dianne B.*
*Gaynor, Rylan D.*
*Getahun, Abigail E.*
*Gomez, Dayaneira Savanna*
*Gomez, Nathaly*
*Gomez, Treyvon*
*Gonzalez, Andrew*
*Goodreau, Zoe Ann*
*Gordon, Darrell T., Jr.*
*Gould, Cameryn*
*Grear, Ce'Azia J.*
*Green, Noah B.*
*Groesser, Isabelle Marie*
*Groesser, Zachary Tristan*
*Gross, Jeannie*
*Haines, Jennifer*
*Ham, Abigail*
*Hamilton, AhJ'ani*
*Hamilton, Carmella A.*
*Hanson, Curtis William Roch*
*Hardesty, Kylie N.*
*Hardison, Lea Harmony*
*Harrell, Barbara*
*Harris, Jayshawn*
*Harris, Keirra Jalynn*
*Havard, Olivia Beth*
*Haynes, Tourney*
*Hedrick, Danaja L.*
*Heintz, Harper*
*Hernandez-Ruiz, Mailyn*
*Hill, Izabella*
*Hill, Javon E.*
*Hinz, Charlie*
*Hooper, Veronica*
*Horton, Dariah*
*Horton, Darris*
*Huang, Jeremy*
*Jackson, Demarco Leon, Jr.*
*Jackson, Prenshawn*
*Jackson, Zion*
*Jake, Karmreanna S.*
*Jankowski, Isaiah M.*
*Jassim, Imran*
*Jaswal, Gauri*
*Jenkins, Amari S.*
*Johnson, Asionna Taliyah Denell*
*Johnson, Ermonie Nevaeh*
*Johnson, Jahleen R.*
*Johnson, Jameel, Jr.*
*Johnson, Kaidynce A.*
*Johnson, MaKenzee*
*Johnson, Kanaria Savae*
*Johnson-Joiner, Khaleysia*
*Jones, Aiden*
*Jones, Char'leah*
*Jones, Ehniya L.*
*Jones, Layla*
*Jones, Sienna S.*
*Jones, Takiyah A.*
*Jones, Tre'Shawn A.*
*Kalala, Eliana L.*
*Kasunka, Elliel M.*
*Kato, Elliott R.*
*Kavumvula, Chrinovic E.*
*Kazadi, Shawn*
*Kelts, Charlotte*
*Kendrick, Yazariah*
*Kim, Iris R.*
*Kim, John R.*
*Kim, Rebekah*
*Kimble, Alaina*
*Kinard, Tazyah Amari*
*Kirby, Ethan*
*Knapp, Anna Katherine*
*Kneller, Aaron*
*Knuffman, Kade R.*
*Kollipara, Aarnavi*
*Kulo, Faith*
*LaBau, Ethan*
*Lane, Kenyada*
*Lang, Cooper*
*LaRue-Meeks, Da'mya*
*Le, Rebecca Mi*
*Lee, Chloe*
*Lee, Dayoung*
*Lee, Jieun*
*Leon, Lidio*
*Lewandowski, Jayden J.*
*Lin, Sophie*
*Liong, Jackson W., Jr.*
*Liu, Jenny*
*Loch, Phineas Andrew*
*Lockett, Aniyah Kristene*
*Long, Ashton*
*Longo, Simeon D.*
*Louise, Flora D.*
*Lowry, Samantha Jean*
*Lucas, Frederick*
*Luga, Freon Agustin*
*Lukombo, Mechac N.*
*Lundsgaard, Claudia E.*
*Lynn, John A., III*
*Lyons, La'Marielle*
*Mafuta, Trinidad E.*
*Maligaya, Audrey Lustria*
*Mangele, Delfruna*
*Marrissette, Tyreece*
*Marshall, A'shyra Perea*
*Martinez, Alexandra*
*Martinez, Miguel Angel, III*
*Mateo Juarez, Jose Luis*
*Mbangi, Nehemie*
*McCarty, Brenden*
*Mcclellan, Kaylee*
*McGee, Zaria Sanaa*
*McGowan, Malira*
*Medina, Alano*
*Memon, Areej*
*Miller, Jessica M.*
*Miner, Abrianna*
*Mokaphan, Erika Nedthida*
*Monteiro, Samantha Rose*
*Moore, Derrick Leon Derrhel*
*Morgan, Allen*
*Mosley, Isaiah S.*
*Mosley, Ra'Quan*
*Moss, Ashley Amari*
*Mukoka, Josue*
*Munoz Zamora, Luna*
*Myles, Jakari*
*Nelson, Chris*
*Nelson, Kamiya Tammy*
*Netter, Jadai*
*Newbern, Quincy*
*Ngo, Bao*
*Ngunga, Kenaya B.*
*Nguyen, Anh Minh*
*Nguyen, Vy*
*Ngwayah, Rochelle Joy*
*Nham, Angie*
*Nigussie, Eldana*
*Nkaka, Aline Nkuedila*
*Nolting, Clare Marie*
*Ntumba Mukadi, Marc A.*
*Nudelman, Simon*
*Odeh, Fatimah A.*
*Owen, Charles E.*
*Pablo Francisco, Maria A.*
*Padilla, Jose Alfredo*
*Pak-Walch, Ronin*
*Parker, Zaria Danya*
*Pate, Molly*
*Peacock, Brooklin Carmelle*
*Pellum, Ruby*
*Pelmore, Malachi L.*
*Perez, Kayla Guadalupe*
*Perez-Quezada, Evelyn*
*Perez Sandoval, Kevin*
*Peterson, Griffin*
*Philipe Simao, Luisa Mukoko*
*Philipe Simao, Maria Tenda*
*Piercy, Nathan*
*Porter, Cayden A.*
*Potter, Josie*
*Potter, Kevin*

*Powell, Eyshoun A.*
*Powell, Kamaria*
*Powell, QueMari K.*
*Price, Nevaeh M.*
*Quackenbush, Claire E.*
*Quiban, Zach Gideon B.*
*Rahman, Zaynab Abida*
*Rajamannar-Underhill, Janaki*
*Ray, Walela*
*Regassa, Elion K.*
*Rice, Devin T.*
*Richardson, Melanie*
*Riddell, Isabella*
*Rivas, Valeria Alexandra*
*Robicheaux, Aniyah Kaylin*
*Roebuck, Jadyn*
*Rojano, Zulema*
*Rooker, Alex*
*Ruth, Tattianna*
*Saavedra Perez, Janet*
*Salahuddin, Jamal*
*Salem, Lama Zeyad Hasan*
*Salgado, Julian*
*Sampson, Isaac*
*Samu, Peter Botumba*
*Sanchez, Anthony Andrew*
*Santiago, Kevin*
*Santiago, Richard D.*
*Sarol, Bryan Angelo*
*Saveley, Ashley*
*Schiro, Mekenzie*
*Schoonover, Owen*
*Scott, Braelyn*
*Sharma, Shubhika*
*Sherman, Mia*
*Shoemaker, Steven J.*
*Chow, Miriam Marie*
*Smith, Jacob Riley*
*Tawfick, Laila S.*
*Temple, Heaven Leigh*
*Thameem, Safa*
*Thomas, Alicia*
*Thomas, Aniyla O.*
*Thomas, Paressa F.*
*Thomason, Alyvea K.*
*Thompson, Parish*
*Thompson, Raighen*
*Thrower, Duane F., Jr.*
*Tillman, Eboni*
*Toler, Keyen*
*Tran, John*
*Tran, Louis*
*Trinh, Truc*
*Troy, Tanisha Tristina*
*Tshibanda, Meliane*
*Tshidibi Tshiteya, Grace*
*Tuniyants, Dilan D.*
*Turner, Charles E., Jr.*
*Turner, Claire Amilie*
*Tzoy Pu, Emerson A.*
*Ubaldo, Alondra Leslie*
*Viser, Crisella M.*
*Viser, Re'Anna Marie*
*Wade, Juewelz L.*
*Wade, Lauryn Navaeh*
*Wade, Sadiq D.*
*Walker, Kayla Sienna*
*Walker, Kimora S.*
*Walker, Madison Elizabeth*
*Walls, Nick*
*Walton, Elijah Levi June*
*Ward, Ka'Morah Jarae Lee*
*Watson, Ryleigh*
*White, Celina Faith*
*Whitehead, Ne'vaeh A.*
*Wiggam, Brelyn Elizabeth*
*Wilber, Brynley*
*Williams, Anna*
*Williams, Donteese*
*Williams, Jew'ell Skye*
*Williams, Kalarah E.*
*Williams, Ra'Zera Javae*
*Williams, Ra'Ziya Navae*
*Wilson, Arnell, Jr.*
*Wilson, Josiah*
*Winfrey, Aciya N.*
*Wingo, Elizabeth P.*
*Wognin, Beni*
*Wright, Linton*
*Yakoub, Natalie*
*Yakunina, Yekaterina*
*Zavala, Sofia Noel*
*Zheng, Nicole*

## CUMULATIVE SEVENTH SEMESTER GRADE POINT AVERAGE

***Highest Honors*** *- GPA of 4.0 (over seven semesters of coursework)*
***High Honors*** *- GPA of 3.500-3.999 (over seven semesters of coursework)*
***Honors*** *- GPA of 3.000-3.499 (over seven semesters of coursework)*

### HIGHEST HONORS

(GPA: 4.0)

*Kaleb Bochantine*
*Nia J. Bolton*
*Kennedy Borden*
*Tam Minh Do*
*Katharina A. Fleck*
*Marlex Dianne B. Garcia*
*Gauri Jaswal*
*Iris R. Kim*
*John R. Kim*
*Dayoung Lee*
*John Lynn, III*
*Alexandra Martinez*
*Molly Pate*
*Shubhika Sharma*
*Safa Thameem*
*Yekaterina Yakunina*

### HIGH HONORS

(GPA: 3.500 TO 3.999)

*Isaiah A. Allen*
*Heaven Grace Armea*
*Amirah Reese Augusto*
*Jack Baker*
*Sabolil Basu*
*Riti Bhosale*
*Julie Ellen Britton*
*Amere Brown*
*Preston Brown*
*Jefryl Hernan T. Caipal*
*Alexis Carrillo Aguilar*
*Juan Camilo Casado Cock*
*Savannah Cervone*
*Abigail Irene Cicone*
*Ali Dastgheib*
*Diana Diamani*
*Shayla Diep*
*Quincy Dixon*

*Charles D. Downs*
*Kamari Lenae Dunklin*
*Jeremy Reyes Ebes*
*Youssef Zakaria El Gabardil*
*Josephine Elliot*
*Myleah Gaddy*
*Abigail Getahun*
*Dayaneira Savanna Gomez*
*Andrew Gonzalez*
*Zoe Ann Goodreau*
*Noah B. Green*
*Jennifer Haines*
*Abigail Ham*
*Lea Harmony Hardison*
*Barbara Harrell*
*Mailyn Hernandez-Ruiz*
*Imran Jassim*
*Amari S. Jenkins*
*Kaidynce A. Johnson*
*MaKenzee Johnson*
*Takiyah A. Jones*
*Elliel M. Kasunka*
*Charlotte Kelts*
*Rebekah Kim*
*Alaina Kimble*
*Ethan LaBau*
*Rebecca Mi Le*
*Chloe Lee*
*Jieun Lee*
*Lidio Leon*
*Sophie Lin*
*Jackson W. Liong, Jr.*
*Jenny Liu*
*Phineas Andrew Loch*
*Claudia E. Lundsgaard*
*Delfruna Mangele*
*Areej Memon*
*Jessica M. Miller*
*Abrianna Miner*
*Erika Nedthida Mokaphan*
*Samantha Rose Monteiro*
*Anh Minh Nguyen*
*Vy Nguyen*
*Angie Nham*
*Eldana Nigussie*
*Simon Nudelman*
*Charles E. Owen*
*Ronin Pak-Walch*
*Nathan Piercy*
*Cayden A. Porter*
*Josie Potter*
*Kevin Potter*
*Claire E. Quackenbush*
*Zaynab Abida Rahman*
*Janaki Rajamannar-Underhill*
*Aniyah Kaylin Robicheaux*
*Peter Botumba Samu*
*Bryan Angelo Sarol*
*Mekenzie Schiro*
*Steven J. Shoemaker*
*Miriam Marie Chow*
*Jacob Riley Smith*
*Laila S. Tawfick*
*John Tran*
*Louis Tran*
*Claire Amilie Turner*
*Crisella M. Viser*
*Re'Anna Marie Viser*
*Kayla Sienna Walker*
*Madison Elizabeth Walker*
*Brynley Wilber*
*Anna Williams*
*Elizabeth P. Wingo*
*Beni Wognin*
*Natalie Yakoub*

## HONORS

(GPA: 3.000 TO 3.499)

*Jamal Alsaqri*
*Trey'von Amos*
*Elijah W. Ard*
*Holdyn P. Beaman*
*Jonas Bengco*
*Olivia Audrey Bialeschki*
*Breanna R. Burgstrom*
*Michael J. Byrne*
*Keonae K. Campbell*
*Sophia Carson*
*Austin Carter*
*Abigail Cleveland*
*Teagan Cox*
*Bradyn Joseph Dague*
*Elie Beni M. Duma*
*Silas Fisher*
*Miguel Gaona*
*Zachary Tristan Groesser*
*Keirra Jalynn Harris*
*Ehniya L. Jones*
*Tazyah Amari Kinard*
*Anna Katherine Knapp*
*Aaron Kneller*
*Aarnavi Kollipara*
*Jayden J. Lewandowski*
*Ashton Long*
*Flora D. Louise*
*Mechac N. Lukombo*
*Audrey Lustria Maligaya*
*Miguel Angel Martinez, III*
*Nehemie Mbangi*
*Zaria Sanaa McGee*
*Derrick Leon Derrhel Moore*
*Josue Mukoka*
*Jakari Myles*
*Kamiya Tammy Nelson*
*Bao Ngo*
*Zaria Danya Parker*
*Kayla Guadalupe Perez*
*Luisa Mukoko Philipe Simao*
*Elion K. Regassa*
*Melanie Richardson*
*Jadyn Roebuck*
*Zulema Rojano*
*Janet Saavedra Perez*
*Lama Zeyad Hasan Salem*
*Alicia Thomas*
*Paressa F. Thomas*
*Duane F. Thrower, Jr.*
*Truc Trinh*
*Grace Tshidibi Tshiteya*
*Kimora S. Walker*
*Elijah Levi June Walton*
*Ryleigh Watson*
*Celina Faith White*

**CLASS OF 2027 JUNIOR MARSHALS**

**Minna Adoni,** *Interact*
**Yessoh N'Guessan,** *Interact*
**Lauren Dizon,** *National English Honors Society*

**FACULTY/STAFF READERS**

***Andrew Cheun**, Math Department*
***Aaron Chun**, College & Career Counselor*
***Karen Klebbe**, English Department/Librarian*
***Amy Westfield**, World Languages Department Chair*

# *Congratulations to the Centennial High School Class of 2026!*

***With Special Thanks To:***

*~ The State Farm Center for hosting the Centennial High School Commencement Ceremony*
*~The Centennial Faculty, Staff, and Administration for all of their support for our students, families, and school community.*
*~Our Centennial School Counselors for their unwavering dedication, guidance, and support in helping our students achieve this important milestone and reach graduation day!*
*~Our Charger Junior Marshals and our Expressions Choir, Symphonic Band & Orchestra, Directors, and our piano accompanist.*
*~Vicki Thomas, Deaf/Hard-of-Hearing Interpreter for providing services during the ceremony.*
*~The Unit 4 District Leadership & School Board for your commitment and loyalty to our schools and community.*

