

CLEVELAND METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION

HONORS THE

Class of 2023

VALEDICTORIANS
&
SALUTATORIANS

TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2023





Dear Valedictorians and Salutatorians,

On behalf of the Cleveland Metropolitan School District and the Cleveland Board of Education, we offer our warmest congratulations to you on this important event in your life. You can truly take pride in this accomplishment. We are delighted that you have reached this noteworthy achievement by hard work and perseverance.

Tonight's recognition shows our appreciation for your hard work and dedication to learning. As you now face a new chapter in your life, know that your CMSD family wishes you the best and continued success in the years to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anne E. Bingham".

Anne E. Bingham
Board Chair
Cleveland Board Of Education

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Gordon".

Eric S. Gordon
Chief Executive Officer
Cleveland Metropolitan School District

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VALEDICTORIANS & SALUTATORIANS



BARD HIGH SCHOOL EARLY COLLEGE

Valedictorian: Kaylen Harmon

GPA: 4.00

Post-Secondary Institution: College of Wooster

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$240,000.00



Salutatorian: Aleidy Calderon

GPA: 4.00

Post-Secondary Institution: Case Western Reserve University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$280,000.00

CAMPUS INTERNATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL



Valedictorian: Catherine Mullin-Vanneste

GPA: 4.36

Post-Secondary Institution: Case Western Reserve University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$284,400.00



Salutatorian: Tyler B. Young

GPA: 4.28

Post-Secondary Institution: Case Western Reserve University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$256,400.00

CLEVELAND EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL



Valedictorian: Desirae Lanae Crosby

GPA: 4.51

Post-Secondary Institution: Miami University, Oxford, OH

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$350,000.00



Salutatorian: Jeffrey Gregory

GPA: 4.34

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$30,000.00

CLEVELAND HIGH SCHOOL FOR DIGITAL ARTS



Valedictorian: Aaron Krzemien

GPA: 3.76

Post-Secondary Institution: The Ohio State University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$10,000.00



Salutatorian: Jaynell Ceasor

GPA: 3.48

Post-Secondary Institution: Bowling Green State University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$36,000.00

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CLEVELAND METRO REMOTE SCHOOL

Valedictorian: Abbigail Marie Mondry

GPA: 3.50

Post-Secondary Institution:
Bowling Green State University



Salutatorian: Angelique Williams

GPA: 3.30

Post-Secondary Institution:
City of Cleveland



CLEVELAND SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN

Valedictorian: Fatima Coats

GPA: 4.40

Post-Secondary Institution: American University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$62,000.00



Salutatorian: Ana Castillo

GPA: 4.30

Post-Secondary Institution: The Ohio State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$144,000.00



CLEVELAND SCHOOL OF SCIENCE & MEDICINE

Valedictorian: Ogesi Okonkwo Kalu

GPA: 4.64

Post-Secondary Institution: Columbia University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$85,967.00



Salutatorian: Reni Patel

GPA: 4.62

Post-Secondary Institution: Case Western Reserve University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$86,000.00



CLEVELAND SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

Valedictorian: Sarai A Murdock

GPA: 4.07

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$32,000.00



Salutatorian: Pieper Marlene Bell

GPA: 4.00

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$28,000.00

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COLLINWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

Valedictorian: Damiya White

GPA: 3.98

Post-Secondary Institution: Ohio Nation National Guard and attend Central State University.



Salutatorian: Star Reed

GPA: 3.60

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University

DAVIS AEROSPACE & MARITIME HIGH SCHOOL



Valedictorian: Gabriel Leonard

GPA: 4.44

*Post-Secondary Institution: Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$950,000.00*



Salutatorian: Florin Gargarita

GPA: 4.11

*Post-Secondary Institution: The Ohio State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$120,000.00*

DESIGN LAB EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL



Valedictorian: Justin Kyle Eaddy

GPA: 3.74

*Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland Institute of Art
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$33,000.00*



Salutatorian: Zeshawn Tyrell Woods

GPA: 3.43

*Post-Secondary Institution: Kent State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$5,000.00*

EAST TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL



Valedictorian: Reauna Walker

GPA: 4.08

*Post-Secondary Institution: Morgan State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$13,800.00*



Salutatorian: Tayjha Hupcej

GPA: 4.04

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University

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FACING HISTORY NEW TECH HIGH SCHOOL

Valedictorian: Jayden Allen

GPA: 4.00

Post-Secondary Institution: Kent State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$81,000.00



Salutarian: Ruben Rivera Quinones

GPA: 3.90

Post-Secondary Institution: Kent State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$66,400.00



GARRETT MORGAN

SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING & INNOVATION

Valedictorian: Walga Kasalo

GPA: 3.85

Post-Secondary Institution: The Ohio State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$71,388.00



Salutarian: Natasha King

GPA: 3.75

Post-Secondary Institution: Ohio University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$26,000.00



GINN ACADEMY

Valedictorian: Gerald Goodwin

GPA: 3.62

Post-Secondary Institution: Youngstown State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$89,000.00



Salutarian: Dae'Shawn Malone

GPA: 3.40

Post-Secondary Institution: Kentucky State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$75,000.00



GLENVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

Valedictorian: Lavonna Carter

GPA: 4.36

Post-Secondary Institution: Kentucky State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$15,500.00



Salutarian: Ny'Arie Taylor

GPA: 3.61

Post-Secondary Institution: Todavía no ha decidido

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JOHN ADAMS COLLEGE & CAREER ACADEMY

Valedictorian: Caleb Joe'l Stewart **GPA:** 3.72

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$15,000.00



Salutatorian: Amari Shanice Larkin **GPA:** 3.47

Post-Secondary Institution: Cuyahoga Community College
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$3,000.00



JOHN F. KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL

Valedictorian: Lauryn Stephens-Porter **GPA:** 3.41

Post-Secondary Institution: Arizona State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$24,694.00



Salutatorian: Aariona Trader **GPA:** 3.38

Post-Secondary Institution: Tri-C o Central State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$8,895.00



JOHN MARSHALL

SCHOOL OF CIVIC AND BUSINESS LEADERSHIP

Valedictorian: Oma Dahal **GPA:** 4.30

Post-Secondary Institution: Ursuline College
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$174,040.00



Salutatorian: Binita Biswa **GPA:** 4.27

Post-Secondary Institution: The Ohio State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$105,804.00

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JOHN MARSHALL SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

Co-Valedictorian: Diana Sameeh Al-Banna **GPA: 3.90**

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$50,000.00



Co-Valedictorian: Leysharie Rodriguez **GPA: 3.90**

Post-Secondary Institution: The University of Akron
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: Over \$50,000.00



Salutatorian: Nouh Shaikh **GPA: 3.80**

Post-Secondary Institution: The Ohio State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: Over \$100,000.00



JOHN MARSHALL

SCHOOL OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Valedictorian: Nariel M. Rahmon **GPA: 4.66**

Post-Secondary Institution: The Ohio State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$17,734.00



Salutatorian: Pranay Ryang **GPA: 4.53**

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$12,500.00



LINCOLN-WEST

SCHOOL OF GLOBAL STUDIES

Valedictorian: Valerie Solano **GPA: 4.07**

Post-Secondary Institution: Miami University of Ohio
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$28,000.00



Salutatorian: Ester Serafine **GPA: 3.83**

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$24,000.00

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LINCOLN-WEST SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND HEALTH

Valedictorian: Khandah Abdullah **GPA:** 3.80

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$1,000.00



Co-Salutarian: Mariam Walubila **GPA:** 3.60

Post-Secondary Institution: Kent State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$10,000.00



Co-Salutarian: Mohamad Nour Moussa **GPA:** 3.60

Post-Secondary Institution:
Kent State University

MAX S. HAYES HIGH SCHOOL



Valedictorian: Benson Ta **GPA:** 3.90

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$61,700.00



Salutarian: Keily Damaris Gramajo-Barrios **GPA:** 3.80

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$7,000.00

METROPOLITAN CLEVELAND

CONSORTIUM STEM HIGH SCHOOL (MC²STEM)



Valedictorian: William Wimbiscus **GPA:** 4.49

Post-Secondary Institution: Case Western Reserve University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$256,000.00



Salutarian: Simon Massengale **GPA:** 4.34

Post-Secondary Institution: Kent State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$118,400.00

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NATIVIDAD PAGAN **INTERNATIONAL NEWCOMERS ACADEMY**

Valedictorian: Nsango Kalani **GPA:** 4.00

Post-Secondary Institution: Cuyahoga Community College
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$15,000.00



Salutatorian: Jishanty Santos **GPA:** 3.80

Post-Secondary Institution: Cuyahoga Community College
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$10,000.00



NEW TECH WEST HIGH SCHOOL

Valedictorian: Ron Nguyen **GPA:** 4.09

Post-Secondary Institution: Kent State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$4,500.00



Salutatorian: Jamieliz Acosta **GPA:** 3.96

Post-Secondary Institution: Tiffin University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$18,000.00



RHODES COLLEGE & CAREER ACADEMY

Valedictorian: Jenelis Rubi Morales **GPA:** 4.13

Post-Secondary Institution: Baldwin Wallace University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$30,000.00



Salutatorian: Emilee Rodgers **GPA:** 4.11

Post-Secondary Institution: University of California, Santa Cruz
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$30,000.00



RHODES SCHOOL OF **ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**

Valedictorian: Shauntae Nicole McPherson **GPA:** 3.75

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$65,000.00



Salutatorian: Katherine Alejandra Diaz Diaz **GPA:** 3.73

Post-Secondary Institution: Cuyahoga Community College
Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$5,000.00

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THE SCHOOL OF ONE

Valedictorian: Meana Johnson

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$54,668.00

GPA: 3.70



Salutatorian: Amina Anderson

Post-Secondary Institution: Cleveland State University

Awarded Scholarship Dollars: \$52,649.00

GPA: 3.30



Special Thanks

Thank you to all the teachers, administrators, staff, friends and especially all of the family members that supported each and every one of our scholars. Your support and encouragement helped each of them to reach this incredible achievement of academic excellence.

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