

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

CA FROST ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL



Monday, May 19, 2025 at 5:00 pm
Houseman Field | Grand Rapids, MI



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Dear Class of 2025,

This night represents a significant milestone -- one that marks not just the end of your high school journey, but the beginning of a new chapter filled with endless possibilities.

As you step into the world beyond high school, I want to leave you with a powerful reminder: Your voice matters.

In your time here, you've grown as leaders, teammates, artists, advocates, and friends. Along the way you've gained not just knowledge from the classroom, but the courage to ask tough questions, stand up for justice, and dream without limits. Now, more than ever, our world needs those voices -- your voice -- to shape a future that is more just, more compassionate, and more united.

No matter where your path leads you, don't underestimate the impact of speaking up. Your ideas, experiences, and perspectives can challenge the status quo. They can ignite change in your community and beyond.

We are proud of the legacy you leave behind and even more excited for the story you're about to write. The world is waiting for what only you can say.

Congratulations!

Leadriane Roby, Ph.D.
Superintendent

Honors & Recognitions

VALEDICTORIAN

Olivia Gaudet

SALUTATORIAN

Dalton Kimball

ACADEMIC TOP TEN

Olivia Gaudet

Dalton Kimball

John Barnes

Cheyla Bravo-Flores

Quaneice Dillard

Chloe Gust

Gabriel Henriott-Jauw

Charles Jespersen

Jaheim Jones

Jackson Sickels

SEAL OF BILITERACY RECIPIENT

Cyndy Morales

SENIOR CLASS ADVISOR

Mrs. Nicole Shilton

Commencement Ceremony

PROCESSIONAL MARCH

“Pomp and Circumstance” by Edward Elgar

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Colors presented by Union High School JROTC Color Guard

“Star Spangled Banner” performed by CA Frost Middle High School Choir

WELCOME

Mr. Dalton Kimball, Salutatorian

SUPERINTENDENT’S REMARKS

Dr. Leadriane Roby

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REMARKS

Mr. Chad Nielsen

PRINCIPAL’S REMARKS

Mr. Bradley Lundvick

PERFORMANCE BY CA FROST MIDDLE HIGH SCHOOL BAND

“Viva la Vida”, arranged by Michael Brown; directed by Andrew LaJoie

VALEDICTORIAN’S REMARKS

Miss Olivia Gaudet

CA FROST FACULTY MEMBER REMARKS

Mr. Neil Syrek

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS

Mr. Aaron McBride, Counselor

CELEBRATION OF THE CLASS OF 2025

Grand Rapids Board of Education Trustee

RECESSIONAL

“Carl Goes Up” by Michael Giacchino

CONGRATULATIONS!

CLASS OF 2025!

John Barnes

Natalie Barnett

Cagni Battles-Mitchell

Angelina Branch

Cheyla Bravo-Flores

Alexus Bridges

Aricah Caldwell

Adrian Cooley

Sammy Diaz

Quaneice Dillard

Isaac Doane

Adrianna Ensley

Dana Fradette

Olivia Gaudet

Keith Griffin

Chloe Gust

Gabriel Henriott-Jauw

Quinn Hodgman

Parker Holbrook

Charles Jespersen

Jaheim Jones

Audrey Kaye

Dalton Kimball

Kya Knight

Cameron Lewis

Noah Long

Manuel Luna-Marquez

Deyna Macias

Rafael McCullough-Gonzalez

Jase Mondy

Cyndy Morales

Am'Mar Pirtle

Jackson Sickels

Joshua Snell

Isaiah Suarez

Theo Williams

Denium Worden

Jackson Zerweiss

Gold Cord - 3.5+ GPA

Blue & Orange Cord - Superintendent's

Scholar Advisory Council

CONGRATULATIONS!

CLASS OF 2025!

Our CA Frost Middle High School graduates will serve as ambassadors for Grand Rapids Public Schools in various avenues, including the workforce, military service, and at the following institutions of higher education: Aquinas College, Central Michigan University, Douglas J. Aveda Institute, Grand Rapids Community College, Grand Valley State University, Jackson State University, Michigan State University, Ohio Northern University, University of Michigan and Western Michigan University.

CA FROST MIDDLE HIGH SCHOOL

Administration

Brad Lundvick, M.S.

Principal

Katheryn Hudson, M.Ed.

Assistant Principal

Instructional & Support Staff

Melinda Barnes

Child Care Worker

Brian Bish, B.S.

Behavior Specialist

James Bosscher, M.S.W.

Mental Health Clinician

Makenna Chavez, B.A.

Registrar

Dan Covey, M.Ed.

Phys. Ed. | Social Studies Teacher

Corey Cross

Custodian

Deb Doss, M.F.A.

Art Teacher

Ann Foley

Food Service

Madeline Ford, B.A.

Spanish Teacher

Zac Ford, B.S.

Math Teacher

Tracey Furlong, B.S.N.

Nurse

Lindsey Gender-Walters, M.A.

Math | Social Studies Teacher

Ashley Greenup, B.S.

Language Arts Teacher

Elyse Horak, M.Ed.

Science Teacher

David Kraff, M.A.

Environmental Science Teacher

Andrew LaJoie, B.A.

Music Teacher

Travis Lasley

Resource Room

Instructional & Support Staff

Robert Lee, B.S.

Social Studies Teacher

Heather Lewis, M.S.

Social Studies Teacher

Kaitlyn Ludeker, B.A.

Youth Advocate

Emily Makarewicz, B.A.

Head Secretary

Aaron McBride, M.Ed.

School Counselor

Bea McPherson, B.S.

Language Arts Teacher

Jennifer Patten

Resource Room

Emmy Rodriguez

Paraprofessional

Robin Schilstra, M.Ed.

Environmental Science Teacher

Nicole Shilton, M.S.

Math Teacher

Julius Smith

Security Officer

Neil Syrek, M.A.

Science Teacher

Jesse Tomkins, M.A.

Environmental Science Teacher

Mariah Welch, M.F.A.

Language Arts Teacher

Wendy Winston, B.A.

Math Teacher

Grand Rapids Learning Center

Administration & Staff

Rodney Brown, M.Ed.	Principal
Ricky Belton, B.A.	Transition Specialist
Linda Buford, B.A.	Support Teacher
Maria Cerda	Head Secretary Registrar
Ashley Covington, M.A.	Counselor
Terence Gaule, M.Ed.	Teacher
Yvette Orr	Social Worker
Kim Price, M.A.	Special Ed Teacher
Renee Speed, B.A.	Teacher

Southeast Career Pathways

Administration & Staff

Troy Wilbon, M.Ed.	Principal
Wilford Aponte, B.A.	Spanish Teacher
Nicole Beukema, M.Ed.	History Teacher
Lisa Cook, M.S.	Head Counselor
Jeff Czyzyk, M.Ed.	Math Teacher
Bonnie Engebretsen, M.Ed.	English Teacher
Nicole Gonzales	Head Secretary
Donna McIntosh, B.A.	Instructional Parapro
Kim Price, M.A.	Resource Teacher
Kristen Strojny, B.A.	English Teacher

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Forever Frosties!



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Quaneice Dillard

Isaac Doane

Charles Jespersen

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Kya Knight

Deyna Macias



THANK YOU

We would like to extend our gratitude to the Management Information Systems, Facilities and Operations, Public Safety & School Security, and Communications teams for their invaluable contributions in making this graduation ceremony a success. Their hard work and dedication behind the scenes ensured this special day was memorable for all.

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CA FROST MIDDLE HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SPOTLIGHT VIDEO



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