

43RD ANNUAL CEREMONY

*2024 Commencement*



MAY 22, 2024  
6:30 PM  
NORTH FIELD

THE  
Gregory School

# A MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

*Dear Graduates:*

*There is a saying most often attributed as an African proverb that states, "If you want to go fast, go alone; if you want to go far, go together."*

*The Class of '24 will indeed go far in their lives because they've demonstrated the effectiveness of teamwork, collaboration and cooperation, many displaying those skills and dispositions as early as 5th grade and middle school. As new members of the class joined The Gregory School over the past several years, existing classmates embraced their unique skills, personalities and passions, as did our deeply talented and committed faculty and staff. The alchemy is a remarkably cohesive group of young people who care about each other deeply. In fact, I believe this class truly loves each other. We can't wait to see what the future brings for all of you, and we express our deepest gratitude to each graduating senior for the honor, recognition—and yes, love, that you have brought to our school.*

*With affection,*  
Julie A. Sherrill, Ph.D.  
Head of The Gregory School

## THE PORTRAIT OF A GRADUATE

The Gregory School graduates will be curious, passionate, and disciplined learners who think creatively, critically, and globally.

They will live ethically and lead compassionately.

They will respect themselves, others, and the world.

*The Gregory School Commencement Ceremony*

*live stream is available at*

*[gregoryschool.org/commencement2024](https://gregoryschool.org/commencement2024)*

# ORDER OF EXERCISES

## ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL

*Procession of the Nobles*  
Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov,  
arr. Jay Bocook

The Gregory School Advanced Band  
Dr. Christie Blute, *Director*

## SENIOR PROCESSIONAL

*Pomp and Circumstance*  
Sir Edward Elgar, arr. James Taylor

The Gregory School Advanced Band  
Dr. Christie Blute, *Director*

## HEAD OF SCHOOL WELCOME

Dr. Julie A. Sherrill

## SENIOR ADDRESS

Anna Folks-Duncan

## MUSICAL SELECTION

*Vienna*  
Billy Joel, arr. Lauren Kahn

The Gregory School Choir  
Dr. Chris Fresolone, *Director*

## SENIOR ADDRESS

Axel Carl Nelson Schulz

## SENIOR PARENT GIFT PRESENTATION

Ms. Desi Rosenfield

## MUSICAL SELECTION

*Yellow Brick Road*  
Sir Elton John

Members of The Gregory  
School Class of 2024

## INTRODUCTION OF GRADUATES

The Gregory School Faculty

## PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS

Dr. Julie A. Sherrill  
*Head of School*  
Mrs. Claudine Messing  
*President of the Board of Trustees*

## SPECIAL REMARKS

Mrs. Claudine Messing  
*President of the Board of Trustees*

## GRADUATE FAREWELL

Capra McCormick

## CLOSURE

Paloma Ann McMahon

## RECESSIONAL

*Ruckus*  
Randall Standridge

The Gregory School Advanced Band  
Dr. Christie Blute, *Director*

# MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 2024

Liam Faisal Adil (8)	Isabella Stephanie Komie (F/T)
Nicholas Robert Allen (H/I/8)	James Milton Labukas
Maiella Yarden Alpert (H/I)	Isaac Ari Lane (E)
Genevieve Simone Berry (I/T)	Kaitlynn Maria Lapan
Riley Sheridan Blute (E/H/M/P)	Axel Lehmann
Katelyn Jolene Cannon (H)	Carson Makana Lo (F/M/8)
Gavin Joseph Christiano	Bodhi Alexander Marks (I)
Cora Isabella Darcangelo (H/8)	Andrés Roberto Martínez (E/8)
Skylar Naomi Dehnert (E/H/M)	Capra McCormick (F/I)
Victoria Ecke (E/F/S)	Paloma Ann McMahan (8)
David Mikhail El (8)	Ava Elise McPeak (A/I/8)
Lauren Mockbee Falconer (A/E/I/T)	Lily Stephanie Messing (F/H)
Anna Folks-Duncan (P)	Matias Naiman-Molina (E)
Heath Folks-Duncan (F/M)	Tyler Aslan O'Masta (A/T)
Maya Fuentes (A)	Carter Steven Reynolds (8)
Gabriela Guerrero (E)	Anisa Monique Rutherford
Eva Marie Healy (T)	Axel Carl Nelson Schulz (M)
Kevin Michael Ramplin Hendershott	Sabrina Rose Shulick
Maximilian Michael Hursh	Adam Quinn Sommers (F/T)
Benjamin James Hurwitz	Malaika Devi Thiagarajan (I)
Thaleia Lelehua Jenness (F/H)	Ethan Tom-Lin (I)
Emil Antonin Jiralerspong (F/M)	Alicia Navaeh Urias
Muuya Jafara Kasimu	Edan Winter (E)
Kiana Elka Koehler (A)	Bethany Zashin (H)

*A - National Art Honor Society*

*E - Sociedad Honoraria de Español*

*F - Société Honoraire de Français*

*H - National Honor Society*

*I - Senior Internship Superior Designation*

*M - National Merit Finalist*

*P - Arizona State Seal of Arts Proficiency*

*S - Apollo Scholarship Recipient*

*T - International Thespian Society*

*8 - 8-Year Gregory School Student*

## STUDENT COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Paloma Ann McMahan '24, **President**

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## STUDENT COUNCIL CLASS OF 2024 REPRESENTATIVES

Cora Isabella Darcangelo • Muuya Jafara Kasimu • Carson Makana Lo

## CLASS OF 2024 ALUMNI REPRESENTATIVES

Nicholas Robert Allen • Cora Isabella Darcangelo

# POST-GRADUATE COMMITMENTS

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Arizona State University, Barrett Honors College

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Northern Arizona University, Honors College

Northwestern University

Pima Community College

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SOAS University of London

Stanford University

Tulane University

University of Arizona

University of Arizona, Franke Honors College

University of California, Los Angeles

University of Denver, University Honors Program

University of Glasgow

University of Southern California

## **TOTAL OF SCHOLARSHIP OFFERS**

**\$7,895,904**

*For a complete list of Class of 2024 college acceptances, please visit our website: [gregoryschool.org/commencement2024](http://gregoryschool.org/commencement2024)*

# DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

## ENGLISH AWARD

Nicholas Robert Allen  
Capra McCormick

## MATHEMATICS AWARD

Carson Makana Lo

## CHARLES T. KENT SCIENCE AWARD

Isaac Ari Lane  
Axel Lehmann

## SOCIAL SCIENCES AWARD

Cora Isabella Darcangelo

## PETER DEALE FOREIGN LANGUAGE AWARD

Victoria Ecke

## OUTSTANDING ATHLETE AWARD

David Mikhail El  
Malaika Devi Thiagarajan

## MUSIC AWARD

Riley Sheridan Blute

## PERFORMING ARTS AWARD

Genevieve Simone Berry  
Tyler Aslan O'Masta  
Adam Quinn Sommers  
Alicia Navaeh Urias

## PHOTOGRAPHY AWARD

Katelyn Jolene Cannon  
Anna Folks-Duncan

## VISUAL ARTS AWARD

Maya Fuentes  
Kiana Elka Koehler

## MOTU PROPRIO AWARD

James Milton Labukas  
Capra McCormick

*From the Latin, "By one's own impetus." The Motu Proprio award is presented to the senior or seniors who have demonstrated, over the course of their high school career, what heights can be achieved through intelligence, academic curiosity, grit, determination, and perseverance.*

## 6 CS AWARD

Nicholas Robert Allen  
Muuya Jafara Kasimu  
Lily Stephanie Messing

*The 6 Cs Award is presented to the seniors who consistently demonstrate the essence of The Gregory School's 6 Cs: Creativity, Communication, Critical Thinking, Collaboration, Compassion, and Community.*

## RUSSELL W. INGERSOLL AWARD

Axel Carl Nelson Schulz

*Named in honor of our first Head of School, the Russell W. Ingersoll Award is presented to a leader who demonstrates the traits and values central to our mission. Their good character is built on personal integrity, compassion, and respect. Their work illustrates intellectual, physical, emotional, social, artistic, and ethical academic strength. They have demonstrated great civic responsibility within our community, showing skills in facilitating teamwork and collaboration to positively influence the actions of others.*

# FACULTY

Kerry Adams, Ph.D.\*\*

Tiffanie Bialis, M.S.

Christie Blute, D.M.A.

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Beth Cain, M.A.

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