

CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2025 TOP ACADEMIC SENIORS



Parents Names: David and Brenda Black

Plans after High School: To attend UW-Madison and major in Biochemistry

Advice I would give to incoming Freshmen: "Build connections with staff; they can help you a lot." My favorite thing about MHS:

"Making so many friends and being able to grow into someone I'm proud to be.



Parents Names: Joe and Dorly Dahlke Plans after High School: To attend UW-Eau Claire and major in Psychology

Advice I would give to incoming Freshmen: "I would say find something you think you might like and just try it. You'll meet new people and learn new things and have a great time as long as you give it a good try."

My favorite thing about MHS: "My favorite

things about MHS were probably playing on the tennis team, having classes with my friends, and going to school events with friends.'



AUSTIN DEPIES

Parents Names: Geoff and Katrina **Depies**

Plans after High School: To attend UW-River Falls and major in Animal Science

Advice I would give to incoming Freshmen: "Get involved in school activities while you still can; you

have the rest of your life to work."

My favorite thing about MHS: "Competing in sports and hanging out with my teammates."

Parents Names: Renee and Douglas

Plans after High School: Undecided Advice I would give to incoming Freshmen: "Remember that your grades are never more important than your mental health!"

My favorite thing about MHS: "My favorite thing has been volunteering with my friends through different clubs and sports."



DANIEL VAUGHN

Parents Names: Daniel Vaughn and Natalie Lechmaier Plans after High School: To attend Milwaukee School of Engineering and

Advice I would give to incoming Freshmen: "Walk on the right side of the hallway and make sure to enjoy your time here."

My favorite thing about MHS: "Hanging out in the CAD room."



Parents Names: Amanda and Everett Herdt

Plans after High School: To attend UW-Oshkosh and major in Nursing

Advice I would give to incoming Freshmen: "My advice to incoming Freshmen would be to take advantage of dual credit classes and the Start College Now program! You would be surprised how much of a college degree you can get for free while you are still in high school. You have to do school anyway, so it's a great opportunity to get college credit for it too!"

My favorite thing about MHS: "My favorite part of high school was being part of a community and getting to see my friends every day!"



BENJAMIN THOM

Parents Names: Josh and Tina Thom

Plans after High School: To attend UW-Green Bay and major in Human

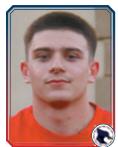
Advice I would give to incoming Freshmen: "Don't be afraid to try new things and be ready to adjust."

My favorite thing about MHS: "Making connections with my teachers."



CONGRATULATIONS **GLASS OF 2025**





Qemal Alimi



Ivan Amador-Gonzalez



Devon Ament





Colin Apprill



Blake Asinas



Meia Aventi



Elizabeth Barker



Dakota Bartz



Brody Benedict



Zachery Bergman



Devin Billington



Max Black



Irene Blennert



Bryce Bloch



Stephanie Bonke















It is not in the stars to hold our destiny but in ourselves.

— William Shakespeare

STUDENT NAME **Qemal Alimil Devan Ament Gracey Busterud Anton Countryman** Lily Dallman Ava Detert Haylea Drabek Mckenzie Ellenbecker

EMPLOYER NAME

Pine Ridge Restaurant **Pine Crest Nursing Home** Culver's Culver's Ana Blair's / Foot Locker Z's Fork Horners Trinity School- Auntie Ray's Ellenbecker Sap Farm

STUDENT NAME

Graap Mady Kaitlyn Heckendorf Elizabeth Herdt Aidan Houghton Janna Jacobson **Gage Kimmons Justin Klug** Isaac Latzig

Jonathan Leander

CERTIFIED COOPERATIVE EDUCATION-CO-OP PROGRAM EMPLOYER NAME

Helene's Orchard **MARC Center** Kwik Trip **Festival Foods** MAPS Pool/Riverside Athletic Club Pine Crest Nursing Home **Buffalo Wild Wings** Windy Hill Tree Farm

STUDENT NAME

Shannon O'Malley Olivia Pajtash **Breleigh Raasch** Isabella Schoerner Elizabeth Streich Mckenna Thomas Sebastian Trevino **Kvrie Tucker** Madison Wiesman

EMPLOYER NAME

Pine Crest Nursing Home MAPS Pool WI Health Dept **County Market Deli** Pine Crest Nursing Home **Pine Crest Nursing Home** MAPS Pool **Pine Crest Nursing Home** The Pizza Shop







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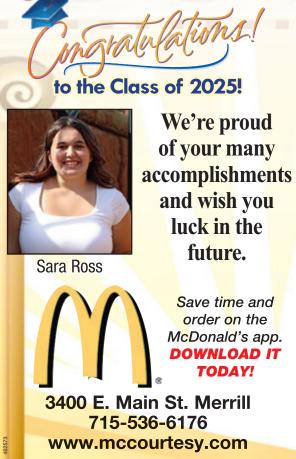
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No, sky is not the limit. It is only the beginning.

— Donovan Livingston



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Anton Countryman



Johanna Dahlke



Lily Dallman



Austin Depies



Ava Detert



Preston Dettmering



Alexis Doering



Haylea Drabek



Kellen Duerkop



Addison Dufour



Mackenzie Ellenbecker



Ayden English



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Madyson Graap



Alexzavier Green



Russell Gruetzmacher



Kaden Hannemann



Finn Hanson



Jax Hanson



Kaitlyn Heckendorf



Kaiden Henrich

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STUDENT NAME

Brody Benedict Zachery Bergman Bryce Bloch Jocelynn Broullire Parker Byer **Preston Dettmering** Haylea Drabek Ayden English **Evan Fredericks Russell Gruetzmacher** Kaden Hannemann Anna Hintz Samantha Homan

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STUDENT NAME Joseph Jensen Carter Kaminski **Lily Kerins Gage Kimmins** Marley Krueger Isaac Latzig Johnathan Leander Noah Moore Jonathan Myszka Kory Page Maya Paulus Emma Rautiola Sarah Rell

YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP 2025

EMPLOYER NAME Walmart Sparkle Wash Park City Credit Union **Pine Crest Nursing Home Brooke's School of Dance Festival Foods** Walmart **Geiss Meat Service** Merrill Millwork/Park Vue **KB Body Shop Nicolet Bank** Ana Blair Boutique **Cordova Insurance Agency**

STUDENT NAME

Joshua Riste **Austin Ronis Bray Schmidt** Shaddock Schmidt Jake Schwandt Takiyah Sell Madilynn Skic **Brandon Skomars** Aiydyn Tiffany **Landon Vullings** Aiden Wanie **Brock Wilson**

EMPLOYER NAME

B's Nest **Breaman Merrill Ford Stainless Specialists** Walmart **Park City Credit Union Daves County Market** 4G Farms Feedstore **Gold Medal Cattle Company** Walmart Two Boys and a Lawnmower Goetsch's Welding and Machine **Rib Mountain Cycles** Two Boys and a Lawnmower

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SIERRA PACIFIC FOUNDATION 2025 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Thomas Ziebell

The Sierra Pacific Foundation is awarding over \$605,000 in scholarships to 202 students as they attend trade schools, colleges, and universities during the 2025-2026 school year.

"Our commitment to education is a commitment to a brighter future for all," said Carolyn Emmerson Dietz, Sierra Pacific Foundation President. "The Foundation is proud to support these students as they broaden their learning and their training."

The Sierra Pacific Foundation grants scholarships to qualified, dependent children of Sierra Pacific Industries' employees. Recipients are eligible for the scholarship for four years, with some granted a fifth year based on their school and finalizing their undergraduate degree or trade school program.

The Sierra Pacific Foundation is a philanthropic organization founded by the Emmerson family in 1979. Over those years, it has donated over \$10.5 million in scholarships. In addition to scholarships, the Foundation contributes to youth activities and other organizations in the communities where Sierra Pacific Industries operates. In 2024, the Foundation contributed nearly \$2 million to organizations in the local communities.



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Growing Healthy Communities



Elizabeth Herdt



Anna Hint



Dawson Herman



Samantha Homa



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Kristiana Isaacson



Janna Jacobson



Aiden Jaeger



Joseph Jensen



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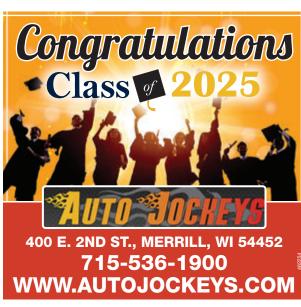
Wherever you go, go with all your heart.

— Confucius





















Jenna Krueger



Marley Krueger



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Isaac Latzig



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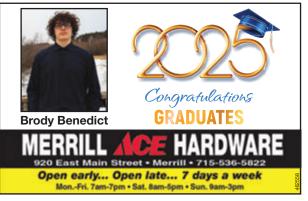


Jacob Schmeltze

The fireworks begin today. Each diploma is a lighted match, each one of you is a fuse." $_{-Ed\ Koch}$



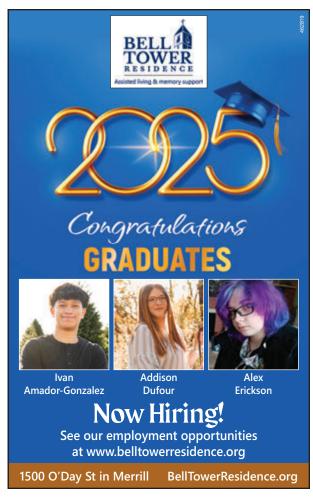






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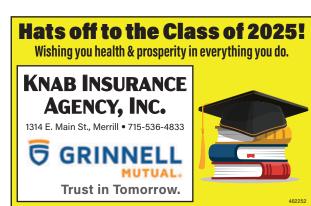
When you take risks, you learn that there will be times when you succeed and there will be times when you fail, and both are equally important.

— Ellen DeGeneres



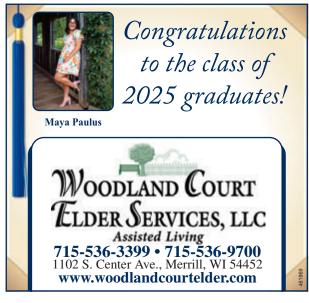


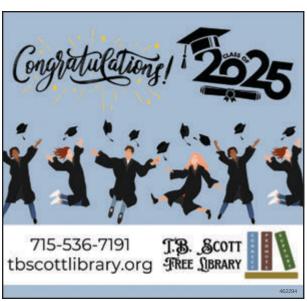


























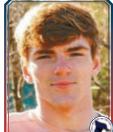
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Aiden Wanie







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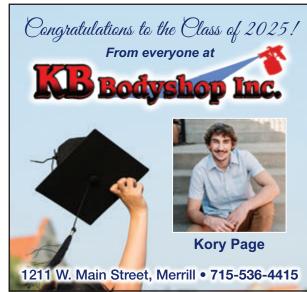
Way to go, thanks for your years served with us Gracey

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Monday-Wednesday, and Sunday 10am-10pm Thursday, Friday, and Saturday 10am-11pm





Senior Year ... We will Remember!

(2024-2025)

Beverages & Snacks

- Most Popular Soda: Coca-Cola continues to lead as America's favorite soft drink.
- Second Most Popular Soda: Dr Pepper surpassed Pepsi to become the second most popular soda in the U.S.
- **Top Energy Drink:** Red Bull continues to lead, especially among students seeking a caffeine boost.
- Favorite Snack: Flamin' Hot Cheetos dominate as the go-to spicy snack.
- Most Loved Candy: Reese's Peanut Butter Cups maintain their sweet spot at the top.
- Top Fast Food Chain: Chick-fil-A holds strong with its signature chicken sandwiches.

Music & Artists

• Top Global Artist (Spotify 2024): Taylor Swift with over 26.6 billion streams globally.

- Billboard's Greatest Pop Star of 2024: Kendrick Lamar topped the list for his impactful music and performances.
- Top Pop Artists of 2025 (Fan Rankings):
 - · Sabrina Carpenter
 - Billie Eilish
 - · Ariana Grande
- Top Male Country Artist (ACM Awards 2025): Chris Stapleton won Male Artist of the Year.
- Top Female Country Artist (ACM Awards 2025): Lainey Wilson secured Entertainer of the Year and Female Artist of the Year.
- Most Popular Male Country Artists (Fan Rankings):
 - · Morgan Wallen
 - Luke Combs
 - George Strait

- Top Pop Song (Billboard Hot 100 Year-End 2024): "Lose Control" by Teddy Swims
- Top Country Song (Billboard Hot 100 Year-End 2024): "I Had Some Help" by Post Malone featuring Morgan Wallen.
- Longest-Running No. 1 Song (Billboard Hot 100 2024): "A Bar Song (Tipsy)" by Shaboozey, with 19 weeks atop the chart.
- Top New Artist (Billboard Hot 100 Year-End 2024): Benson Boone with "Beautiful Things."
- Top Collaboration (Billboard Hot 100 2024): "I Had Some Help" by Post Malone featuring Morgan Wallen.
- Top K-pop Group (IFPI 2024): SEVENTEEN.

Film & Television

- Top Grossing Movie Worldwide (2024): *Inside Out 2* with \$1.698 billion.
- Second Highest Grossing Movie (2024): Deadpool & Wolverine grossed \$1.338 billion.
- Top Grossing Movie Worldwide (2025): *Ne Zha 2* with \$1.898 billion.
- Best Limited Drama (BAFTA 2025): Mr. Bates vs The Post Office won Best Limited Drama.
- Best Comedy Performance (BAFTA 2025): Ruth Jones for *Gavin & Stacey: The Finale.*
- Best Single Documentary (BAFTA 2025): *Ukraine: Enemy In The Woods*.
- Top Streaming Series (2024): Beast Games by *MrBeast*, with 50 million viewers within 25 days of release.
- Most Watched Netflix Original Show (2024): Fuller House Season 1 with 8.7 million views.

- Most Popular Film Actors (Fan Rankings 2025):
 - Chris Hemsworth
 - Tom Holland
 - · Pedro Pascal
- Top Male Lead Performance (IMDb 2024): Timothée Chalamet for *A Complete Unknown*.

Politics & World Events

- 2024 U.S. Presidential Election Winner: Donald Trump, defeating Kamala Harris.
- Significant Global Conflict: Continuation of major armed conflicts, including the Russian invasion of Ukraine, the Myanmar civil war, and the Sudanese civil war.
- Economic Highlight: Gold prices surged over 20% post-2024 U.S. election due to global economic uncertainty.

Sports & Achievements

- Top Athlete (2024): Simone Biles returned to gymnastics with recordbreaking performances.
- Best Team Performance (2024): Kansas City Chiefs clinched the Super Bowl.
- Top Esports Team (2024): Team Liquid dominated in multiple gaming tournaments.
- Most Inspiring Moment (2024): Paralympian Jessica Long's achievements inspired many worldwide.
- Breakthrough Athlete (2024): Naomi Osaka made a powerful comeback in tennis.









Congratulations
to the 2025 High School Graduates,

Especially those who were the 2021 graduates of **St. John Lutheran School!** God's blessings to you as you begin new adventures in your life.

Brody Benedict, Lilly Dallman, Ayden English, Janna Jacobson, Evelyn Peroutka, Mia Smith, and Lydia Szeto- Graduating from Northland Lutheran H.S.

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." – Joshua 1:9