

BETHLEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



Class of 2025



91st COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Thursday ■ June 26, 2025 ■ 2:00 P.M.

MVP Arena ■ Albany

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Holly Dellenbaugh, *President*
 Meredith Moriarty, *Vice President*
 Lauren Grasso
 Ewan McNay
 Katherine Nadeau
 Robert Tietjen
 John Walston

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Jody Monroe

DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT

David Hurst

DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

Douglas Morrissey

CHIEF BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL OFFICER

John McPhillips

CHIEF TECHNOLOGY OFFICER

Erin Sheevers

PRINCIPAL

David Doemel

ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

Heather Culnan
 Sean Graney
 Kimberly Sparkman

DIRECTOR OF COUNSELING AND SOCIAL WORK

Kristen Connor

BCHS COUNSELORS

Tyler Anderson
 Katherine Burkart

Lindsey Clark
 Elizabeth Colloton
 Ryan Donlon

Darnell Douglas
 Deborah Zeh

HONORARY GRADUATION MARSHALS

Michele Atallah (High School)
 Kelly Babic (High School)
 *Teresita Barcia (High School)
 Mckenzie Barrett (Middle School)
 Lester Betor (Slingerlands)
 Eileen Browne (Eagle)
 Michael Charvat (Middle School)
 Cori DiFabbio (Middle School)
 Kristy Eldeen (High School)
 Corey Fong (High School)

* Kathleen Hahn (High School)
 Evan Harley (Middle School)
 Amanda Huszar (Middle School)
 Melissa Leach (Hamagrael)
 Maryann Lynch (High School)
 Thomas Maldonado (High School)
 Sean Mooney (High School)
 * Shawn Mowry (High School)
 Mark Nealon (Middle School)
 * Kenneth Neff (High School)

* Kimberly Panaro (High School)
 Maria Qualtere (Slingerlands)
 Mackenzie Riegel (Glemont)
 Anthony Scott (Middle School)
 Stephen Smith (Middle School)
 Eileen Turo (High School)
 Michael Valenti (Elsmere)
 Anthony Wilson (High School)
 * William Wojcik (High School)
 Christine Zemsky (Middle School)

* BCHS faculty retiring in 2025

SENIOR CLASS ADVISOR

Jessica Westervelt



PROGRAM

***ProceSSIONal** Class of 2025
Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1 By Edward Elgar/ Arranged by Charles Woodhouse
Pre-recorded performance by the BCHS Wind EnsemblePatrick Beauregard, Conductor

***The Star Spangled Banner**
By F. S. Key and J. S. Smith/ Arranged by Russel Robinson Class of 2025,
Choraliers and Audience

Welcome and IntroductionsDavid Doemel, Principal

Opening Skylar M. Maurer, Class of 2025

Senior Address Clare Kathleen Megahey, Class of 2025

I am an Eagle
By Michael DeAngelis
Performed by BCHS Choraliers Jason Dashew, Director

Superintendent Address Jody Monroe, Superintendent

Board of Education President’s Address to Class of 2025 Holly Dellenbaugh,
President, Board of Education

Presentation of Graduates.David Doemel, Principal

Closing. Johanna Jane Ivy Radcliffe, Class of 2025

***Alma Mater**
By Thomas Scurrah/ Arranged by Daniel DuGuay Paoletti

***Recessional** Class of 2025
Esprit de Corps by Robert Jager

***AUDIENCE PLEASE STAND**
(The audience is requested to remain standing until the Class of 2025 has passed from the area.)

This event includes copyrighted material. Unauthorized recording or transmission is prohibited by law.

CLASS OF 2025

Dinorah Itzel Aguilar Hernandez ***
 Sabrina M. Aiezza
 Xavier Michael Aiezza * **
 Marwa Al Essa
 Cole L. Allen
 Yousif A. Alsammarraie ***
 Romero Cavan Ambia
 Armen Alexander Amirbekian * ** +
 Tido Anthony Aponte
 Declan Armbruster **
 Ceren Ayar <
 Sophia Ayers ** + >
 Timothy Michael Bailey * ** +
 Anna K. Baltis * **
 Katherine Marie Bannigan * ** + >
 Ruby Julia Bannister * **
 Nathan Robert Barkman
 Megan Rae Barnes <
 Lily Anne Barra *** <
 Matthew J. Barron **
 Duncan Patrick Alanson Bartholomew
 Gianna Marie Berghela <
 Jayden R. Bleyman
 Ayden C. Blockston
 Morgan Anne Blodgett >
 Sage E. Blodgett ** +
 Jacob Isaac Bloom ***
 Eva Luna Bolke * ** + >
 Markiem H. Brace ***
 William M. Bradley * **
 Andrew Joseph Bradt * **
 Hope Sutton Brown
 Katherine E. Browne * ** +
 Samantha Jeanne Buchanan **
 Nyara Nibras Bughrra * ** + < >
 Alexa R. Burger
 Lukas Jaxson Burns
 Spencer T. Buttereit *** <
 Thomas A. Carlson * **
 Amanda Catherine Caswell *** < >
 Michael A. Caulfield
 Estela Ceci * ** >
 Brody Douglas Chambers * **
 Amiryn Charpentier
 Alice Jiayi Chen ** >
 Murat Cicek
 Derek Mateo Clark * ** + >

Owen F. Clark
 Lily Ann Paige Coggins ***
 Cassandra Lynn Collen * **
 Griffin Joseph Collette * ** +
 Jordan E. Collins *** < >
 Katelyn M. Collins * **
 Andrew Kenneth Conklin * **
 Kathleen E. Connolly ***
 Nathaniel J. Contento ** <
 Bannon Michael Corbett
 Catherine M. Corbitt
 Maura K. Corbitt
 Gregory Whitman Courtney * **
 Lucia Creamer * ** + < >
 Gabriel Quinn Cronin
 Sakura Curry * ** >
 Patrick S. Dailey *** <
 Margot Kim Danziger * ** +
 Kimberly Grace Davenport *** < >
 Marcela I. De Tuyra
 Catherine Ainsley Dellenbaugh * ** >
 Chloe Anne Denno * ** >
 Natalie Burke DeSanti * ** < >
 Audrey P. Despres *** <
 Nolan Haig Devejian * ** +
 Alexis Noelle Dievendorf * ** <
 Isabella Joan DiMura * ** +
 Nova Bae DiRamio ** <
 Sierra J. Doherty ***
 Neve R. Donohoe **
 Sean Mark Donovan * **
 Logan Anthony Downs ***
 Quinn Gabriel Drury **
 Lauren Marie Dudgeon * ** + <
 Ian A. Duffy ***
 William G. DuPont ***
 Joy Aku Dzifa Dzigba *** < >
 Avery Beatrice Eick * ** + <
 Francine Charisse Arcangel Ejanda **
 Michael Roman Evangelista **
 Grace M. Evans * ** + < >
 Jay H. Felio ***
 Griffin J. Field
 Anna M. Fishburn * **
 Emma D. Fleming
 Cecilia C. Follos ** >
 Xavier Michael Foro ***



CLASS OF 2025

Benjamin V. Fugitt **	Justin B. Kibrick ***
Liam Seamus Fullem ***	Tabatha Cora Klink * **
Sarah Elizabeth Gaetano * **	Aika Moon Knox * ** + < >
Isabella G. Gambelunghe * ** <	Isao McCall Knox **
Conor Louis Garcia * ** >	Abigail D. Koennecke ***
Ariana Kaelyn Gardy ***	Rayka P. Kogut **
Ava Grace Gasson * ** + < >	Andrew D. Koller
Sofia E. Genovese * ** + < >	Jonah A. Koplik * **
Owen K. Godlewski ***	Chloe Kristen Kosoc **
Sydney Olivia Gough ** < >	Flint R. Kuznetsov ***
Angela Rose Graf ***	Autumn Labore
Christopher Scott Graham	Jacob Lambert
William F. Gray V	Hannah D. Lauenstein ** < >
Matthew Kenneth Greenblatt * ** +	Samantha Nicole Leach ***
Roman D. Greenfield	Nico A. LeFevre-Paonessa
Owen George Greenwood *** <	Treyton Lenihan * ** +
Adam Michael Griesbach **	Willow Eve Lilkas-Morse <
Luke Thomas Grimaldi **	Owen Michael Lilly
Averi Lynn Haertel * **	Grace Nicole Long **
Tyler Scott Harbinger	Jolie Virginia Lucarelli * ** <
Alexis Grace Hartson ***	Paul Douglas Lurie * ** +
Timothy J. Harwick	Brian Scott Lyda
Camilla Grace Heckman ** + <	Leah H. MacLaughlin **
Kaylin M. Heffern ** <	Jeremiah Mangini <
Erin Elizabeth Hennessy *** <	Braeden J. Manning * **
Madelyn Virginia Hennigan * ** <	Anthony J. Martin ***
Josephine Margaret Higgs * **	Benjermine H. Martin
Allison Katharine Hill ** <	Gavin Martin
Nathaniel George Holbrook *** >	Diana Evelyn Martocci ***
Kripa Hongalgi **	Nathan N. Martocci
Dillon J. Hoogkamp	Brendan R. Martone * **
Andrew W. Hopper	Feli'Sia M. Masao
Coleman L. Hughes	Sanzia Mathews >
Shayna Leah Huli * ** + < >	Seth Mathews ***
Nora Ikasalo **	Sean Thomas Matrose * **
Olivia Mona'e Jackson	William Alfred Matrose
Ila Rose Parikh Jerabek ***	Skylar M. Maurer *** <
Ian Jin * ** >	Megan Elizabeth May * **
Elyssa Hope Johnson * ** + < >	Naima Rose Mazeau * ** + <
Andrew Michael Johnston	Lily Cail Mazmanian ***
Abbott Jones	Kaylee Eileen McAllister * ** + <
Cade Owen Jones * ** +	Ellen Teresa McCaffrey * ** + <
Matthew R. Jones	Nikolai W. McCloskey
Anika Kalam * ** + >	Dylan J. McCoo ***
Muamer Kanic	Haley Bisset McDermott * ** <
Emmet Kauffman * **	Reesa Shaw McGowan
Hayley Alexa Kibrick * ** <	Ava Jacqueline McGrath * ** <

CLASS OF 2025

Aiden J. McGuiness * ** +
 Dylan Rory McInerney * **
 Riley A. McInerney
 Kevin P. McNabb ** <
 Mairead Swift McPhillips * ** <
 Camryn A. McReynolds
 Courtney Medert
 Clare Kathleen Megahey * ** + < >
 Nathaniel David Menia ***
 Calla Noelle Meyer * ** +
 Stephanie Nicole Milton ***
 Sora Miyazaki #
 Mia Jennifer Moffre
 Jack Moore
 Madison Avery Mullaney
 Kiera Ruth Murphy ** <
 Michael Daniel Murphy * ** + >
 Harrison Nace
 Miriam Lee Nester * ** + < >
 Patrick David Noonan * ** <
 Brodie R. O'Connell
 Ryan Joseph O'Connell * ** + < >
 Wendelyn Armstrong-Yan O'Dell * **
 Connor Charles O'Malley * ** + >
 Charlotte Jane O'Meara * ** + < >
 Riley Anne O'Meara * ** +
 Aaditya Ojha * ** + <
 Temisan T. Oke * **
 Dylan Kenneth Pachan * ** <
 Jason Thomas Pajak **
 Constantine Palas * **
 Nicole Pan * ** <
 Joseph Carmelo Papa <
 Zara Pattison * ** + >
 Lucy Caroline Pauze ** + >
 Anna Stephanie Peles * ** +
 Maraya Perez *** <
 Justin T. Pfitz
 Sarina E. Phelps *** <
 Aidan C. Phillips
 Theodore N. Plummer
 Ellie C. Pokabla * ** + >
 Addyson Peyton Poole
 Alexander J. Porter * **
 Paul J. Puccio III * ** +
 Mitchel Geo Rens Pulimoottil **
 Deven S. Quell

Johanna Jane Ivy Radcliffe *** <
 Vikash Radosevich **
 Aaron Thomas Raker
 Sophia Rose Raydo ** < >
 Claire Emily Reilly * ** + <
 Alyona Sophia Reitz * ** +
 Lila A. Renders *** <
 Katherine E. Reynolds * ** + >
 Maya Tanner Richter ** <
 Avery Rider * ** +
 James D. Robbins * **
 Kaitlyn Rose Robbins * ** + <
 Avi A. Rodriguez
 Alexandra Roe * ** +
 Teagan Marie Rosencranse * ** <
 Olivia T. Rother
 Dylan M. Rowe ** <
 Lorelei Isabella Rufa
 Mason Anthony Ruggaber
 Phinnaeus Patrick Ruggiero
 Malena A. Sabbia
 Emily Rose Sagendorph ***
 Mysha Sajid **
 Jonathan Amos Salzer **
 Nataliah Soniah Samuels
 Abdurraheem Sanaullah
 Katherine Julia Sauders * ** + <
 Evelyn Saunders ** >
 Iris Sunshine Sawyer <
 Cole Patrick Scoville
 Jonathan A. Seedhom **
 Stephen A. Seedhom
 Thomas A. Seedhom * ** + < >
 Logan Zain Semeiks ***
 Richa Shah ***
 Miya E. Sheehan
 Justin Sherer * ** + >
 Julia E. Siegel ** < >
 Joseph D. Silvernail
 Isabella Mary Sindon * ** + <
 Ronan Fitzgerald Singh **
 Lucy M. Smith ***
 Nicholas Nolan Smith
 Sean Patrick Smith ***
 Xem Smits ***
 Emily Joan Snyder ***
 Ella Catherine Spore * **



CLASS OF 2025

Theodore J. Stainbrook
 Esiasyn L. Starr <
 Ethan Staszak *** <
 Lyla Thiessen Stebbins ** >
 Rachel Brianna Stein * **
 Benjamin Lucas Stevens * ** + >
 Mathew Gabriel Evans Stocks **
 Katherine Sutliff ** <
 Destinee A. Tanner ***
 Henry Daniel Tatrow * **
 Elizabeth M. Thela
 Racine Abou Thiam
 Amé-Jane M. Tootell **
 Logan R. Toth **
 Greta L. Traynor *** <
 Kuon Tsutsui * **
 Miles B. Tuman * **
 Owen Patrick Turner **
 Zoey P. Tutunjian ***
 Charley Elizabeth VanWie * **
 Nina Isadora Vargas ** < >
 Romeo Vasselton Vashishth **
 Jackson P. Vatter * **
 Rachael Miriam Vener * ** <
 Kelsey Marie vonWedel <
 Harper D. Wagg <
 Max Charles Waldenmaier
 Harper Mae Wallace * ** + < >
 Kevin J. Walters * ** +
 Sophie Wang * ** + < >
 Madeline G. Ward * ** <
 Ryan James Whitbeck **
 Vincent M. Whiting
 Gianna J. Wilcox

Kyle Wilcox
 Kayla S. Williams ** >
 Veer S. Williams * ** + <
 Wyatt M. Williams
 Molly Wladis * ** + >
 Phoebe Jane Wooster **
 Cassius Woutersz * ** +
 Joy J. Wu * ** + <
 Melike A. Yigit
 Mya Lo Young * ** < >
 Kaan S. Yucel * ** +
 Mahmud Zamamiri * ** +
 Thomas W. Zemsky
 Daniel Zheng * **
 Kevin Zheng **
 Vicky Zheng ***
 Mofei Zhu

* Honors graduates, Lab School honors graduates.
 and Bethlehem Academic Achievement Award
 winners with a 90% or above GPA for 3 ½ years
 (wear gold cords)

** President's Award for Educational Excellence

*** President's Award for Educational Achievement

+ National Honor Society member (wear blue and
 gold cords)

< Seal of Civic Readiness

> Seal of Biliteracy

Foreign Exchange Student

National Merit Scholarship Program 2025

National Merit Program Finalists

Armen Amirbekian

Zara Pattison

Sophie Wang



Bethlehem Central Academic Achievement

Seniors who have maintained a 95% overall average over 3½ years

Armen Alexander Amirbekian
Eva Luna Bolke
Nyara Nibras Bughrara
Nolan Haig Devejian
Grace M. Evans
Anna M. Fishburn
Ava Grace Gasson
Sofia E. Genovese
Matthew Kenneth Greenblatt
Shayna Leah Huli
Anika Kalam
Ellen Teresa McCaffrey
Clare Kathleen Megahey
Calla Noelle Meyer
Aaditya Ojha
Zara Pattison
Anna Stephanie Peles
Alexander J. Porter
Paul J. Puccio III
Katherine E. Reynolds
Kaitlyn Rose Robbins
Katherine Julia Sauders
Justin Sherer
Sophie Wang
Molly Wladis
Veer S. Williams
Mahmud Zamamiri

Recipients of Awards and Scholarships

Community Awards

**American Legion Post 1040 Nathaniel Adams
Blanchard - Currey Award**

Logan Downs
Brodie O'Connell

**Bethlehem Central Teachers' Association
Scholarships**

Lauren Dudgeon
Grace Evans
Ellen McCaffrey
Johanna Radcliffe

Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce Award

Logan Toth

Delmar Progress Club Scholarship

Lauren Dudgeon
Elyssa Johnson

Hudson Valley Community College Scholarship

Marwa Al Essa

**Next Step Federal Credit Union Community
Service Award**

Joy Dzigma

School's Out Inc. Scholarship

Lorelei Rufa

The Eagle Award

Ryan O'Connell

The International Eagle Award

Nikki Milton

Memorial Awards

Anne Gibson Elbow Memorial Award

Katherine Sauders

Anthony S. "Tony" Arduini Memorial Award

Shayna Huli

Charles A. Gunner BCCO Scholarship

Lily Barra
Lacy Smith

Chris Porter Memorial Award

Destinee Tanner

Donald Robillard Education Scholarship

Rachel Stein

Dorothy McDonald Memorial Scholarship

Emily Sagendorph

Frances A. Cocozza Memorial Award

Alexis Dievendorf
Ellie Pokabla
Claire Reilly

Frederick J. Holligan Memorial Scholarship

Haley McDermott

**Honorable Judge Peter C. Wenger Memorial
Award**

Zara Pattison

James "Coach" Connolly Track Scholarship

Phoebe Wooster

Jane Hendron Memorial Scholarship

Logan Downs

Jeannette R. Earls Memorial Scholarship

Clare Megahey

Jonathan A. Albert Memorial Award

Rachael Vener

Julia O. Wells Memorial Education Foundation

Sarah Gaetano

**Katherine DePorte Memorial Scholarship,
Bethlehem Central United Employees
Association**

Skylar Maurer

Chief Kevin M. Shea Memorial Award

Kaylin Heffern

**Larry Prater Memorial Scholarship, Bethlehem
Central United Employees Association**

Christopher Graham

**Lt. Henry Klein Memorial Award, Tawasentha
Chapter, DAR**

Calla Meyer



Marcus Kaplan Spirit of Life Award

Averi Haertel
Haley McDermott

Mary Jane Hughes Memorial Award

Samantha Buchanan

May and Bill Blackmore Memorial Scholarship

Katherine Sauders

Robert “Bob” Salamone Memorial Award

Haley McDermott

Russell Ellers Memorial Award

Nolan Devejian

Sarah Renee Whiting Math Honor Society Award

Clare Megahey

Will Raub September 11 Bethlehem Central Scholarship

Griffin Collette

PTA Senior Awards**Eagle Senior Award**

Lauren Dudgeon
Shayna Huli

Elsmere Senior Award

Isabella DiMura
Claire Reilly

Glenmont Senior Award

Zara Pattison
Isabella Sindon

Hamagrael Senior Award

Riley O'Meara
Ellie Pokabla

Slingerlands Senior Award

Joy Dzigba
Molly Wladis

Art Department Awards**Andrew Masino Art Supervisor's Leadership Award**

Naima Mazeau

Art Department Service Award

Amanda Caswell
Nathaniel Holbrook
Malakhi Rufa
Abdulraheem Sanaullah
Harper Wallace

Bethlehem Art Association Award

Anna Baltis
Will DuPont

National Art Honor Society Service Award

Kiera Murphy
Sophia Raydo

Athletics Department Awards**Bethlehem Central High School Athletic Association Scholarships**

Katherine Bannigan
Avery Eick
Clare Megahey
Thomas Seedhom

Bethlehem Central High School Outstanding Senior Athlete Awards**Baseball**

Owen Turner

Basketball

Jay Felio
Kaitlyn Robbins

Bowling

Alexis Dievendorf
Gavin Martin

Cheerleading

Abby Koennecke (Fall)
Emily Snyder (Winter)

Cross Country

Michael Murphy
Charlotte O'Meara

Field Hockey

Natalie DeSanti

Flag Football

Olivia Rother

Football

Jay Felio

Golf

Liam Gray

Mya Young

Gymnastics

Nicole Pan

Ice Hockey

Theodore Plummer

Indoor Track

Markiem Brace

Charlotte O'Meara

Lacrosse

Xavier Foro

Madeline Ward

Outdoor Track

Michael Murphy

Charlotte O'Meara

Soccer

Dylan Rowe

Mysha Sajid

Softball

Katherine Sauders

Swimming

Sage Blodgett

Patrick Noonan

Tennis

Shayna Huli

Aaditya Ojha

Volleyball

Hayley Kibrick

Thomas Seedhom

Wrestling

Maraya Perez

Wyatt Williams

The Suburban Scholastic Council Excellence in Leadership Award

Avery Eick

Cade Jones

Business Education Department Awards**Outstanding Business Student**

Veer Williams

Career and Technical Education Department Awards**Bethlehem Project Lead the Way Award**

Matthew Greenblatt

Megan May

Excellence in Technology

Seth Mathews

Excellence in Culinary Arts

Courtney Medert

Excellence in Family and Consumer Sciences

Naima Mazeau

English Department Awards**English Department Award**

Declan Armbruster

Andrew Bradt

Katherine Brown

Estela Ceci

Elyssa Johnson

Anika Kalam

Aika Knox

Skylar Maurer

Katherine Sauders

Lyla Stebbins

Max Tootell

Harper Wallace

Sophie Wang



Mathematics and Computer Science Department Awards

Harold Reissig Award

Aaditya Ojha

Dr. Philip Gibbons Award

Clare Megahey

John G. Sterling Award

Sophie Wang

Dr. David F. Hurst Computer Science Award

Matthew Greenblatt

Music Department Awards

Bethlehem Music Association Award

Samantha Buchanan

Kimberly Davenport

Ellie Pokabla

Director's Award for Band

Kimberly Davenport

Director's Award for Choir

Nathaniel Holbrook

Director's Award for Orchestra

Samantha Buchanan

John Philip Sousa Band Award

Griffin Collette

Louis Armstrong Jazz Award

Treyton Lenihan

National School Choral Award

Ellie Pokabla

National School Orchestra Award

Ian Jin

Physical Education Awards

NYSAPERD Student Leadership Award

Reesa McGowan

Temisan Oke

Owen Turner

Science Department Awards

The Andrew Joachim Memorial Award

Aaditya Ojha

The Thomas Watthews Memorial Award

Chloe Denno

Social Studies Department Awards

Social Studies Department Award

Aaditya Ojha

Katherine Sauders

Society of the Mayflower Descendants Award

Justin Sherer

Mahmud Zamamiri

Achievement in Government Award

Grace Evans

World Language Department Awards

BC Love of Language Award

Ellie Pokabla

Molly Wladis

Francophone Award

Ava Gasson

Sophie Wang

Honor Hispano

Sofia Genovese

Harper Wallace

Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica - Premio de Honor

Clare Megahey

New York State Scholarship for Academic Excellence

Nolan Devejian
Ava Gasson
Sofia Genovese
Anika Kalam
Aaditya Ojha
Zara Pattison
Katherine Reynolds
Sophie Wang

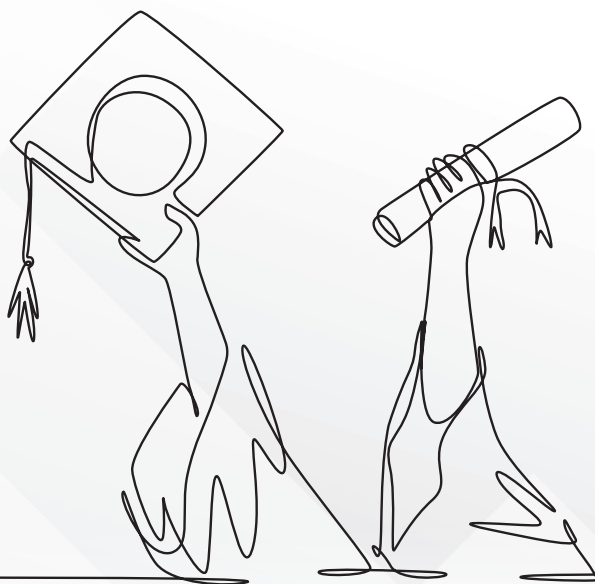
Student Senate President

Lauren Dudgeon

2025 Class Officers

Grace Evans, President
Avery Eick, Vice President
Clare Megahey, Secretary
Abdulraheem Sanaullah, Treasurer

Class officers are wearing red cords.



ALMA MATER

*Near the mountain's silent splendor
And the Hudson wide;
Nobly stands our Alma Mater
Filling us with pride.*

CHORUS

*Sing the praise of Bethlehem Central
Fight to bring her fame
Conquer all who dare to challenge
Glorify her name
Though we pass outside her portals
When our days are through
Orange and black, her grand old colors,
We will honor you.*

BETHLEHEM CENTRAL
HIGH SCHOOL



BETHLEHEM
CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Delmar, New York

MISSION

To educate and prepare all students to reach their potential, discover their purpose and be engaged community members.