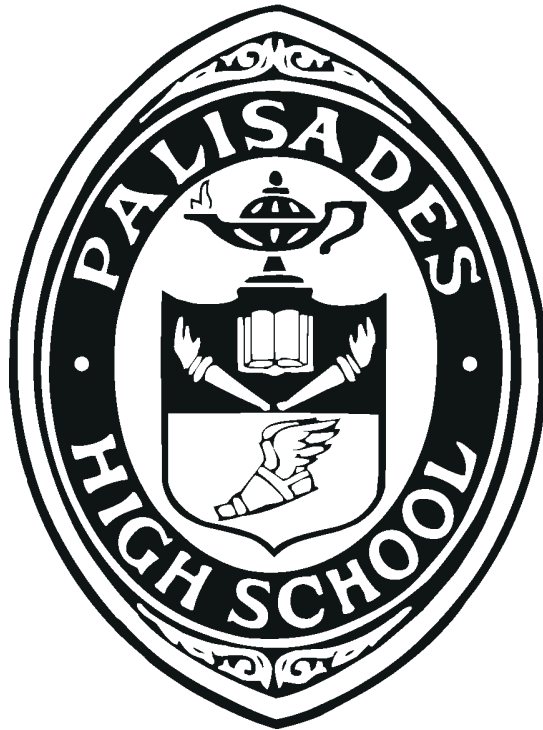


*SEVENTY FIFTH
COMMENCEMENT*



*May 29, 2026
5:30 PM*

Program

Processional – “Pomp and Circumstance”

Elgar

National Anthem

Francis Scott Key
Palisades High School Madrigals

Welcome

Mr. Richard J. Heffernan Jr.
Principal and Assistant to the Superintendent for Operations

Faculty Selected Student Speaker

Ilaria LeBlanc

Musical Selection - “I’ll Be There For You” Arr. Andy Beck

Palisades High School Madrigals

Senior Class Selected Student Speaker

Chase Smith

Remarks

Dr. Bridget O’Connell
Superintendent

Remarks

Mrs. Silvia LeBlanc
School Board President

Certification of the Class of 2026

Mr. Richard J. Heffernan Jr.
Principal and Assistant to the Superintendent for Operations

Graduation Proclamation

Mrs. Silvia LeBlanc
School Board President

Awarding of Diplomas to the Class of 2026 Mr. Richard J. Heffernan Jr. and Mrs. Silvia LeBlanc
Assisted by: Dr. Richard Spering
Associate Principal

Alma Mater

Band, Chorus and Orchestra

*Hail, Hail, Alma Mater, we’ll be ever faithful and true
Our hearts now and always, we will ever pledge to you,
Hail, Oh Hail, Dear Palisades, let our hearts and voices swell,
Hail, Hail, our Alma Mater, that we love so well.*

Presentation of 2026 Graduates

Mr. Richard J. Heffernan Jr.
Principal and Assistant to the Superintendent for Operations

PALISADES HIGH SCHOOL 2026 SENIOR AWARDS

<i>Academic Letter</i>	Samuel Brandes, Isabella Carson, Nathan Clapp, Stacy Fleck, Rhea Greenberg, Gianna Nastasi, Ava Reed, Jane Salva, Sophia Schulz
<i>Advanced Placement Scholars Award</i>	Isabella Carson, Stacy Fleck, Greyson George, Adam Holderer, Stuart Nohe, Jane Salva, Sophia Schulz, Kelan Turley, Andrew Woerz
<i>Advanced Placement with Distinction Award</i>	Rhea Greenberg
<i>Advanced Placement with Honors Award</i>	Raiven Brunton-Dardaris, Nathan Clapp, Nora Feather, Ilaria LeBlanc, Matthew McAnally, William Zaleski
<i>American Legion Post 399 Award</i>	Alexia Lopez, Andrew Woerz
<i>American Legion Military Commitment Certificate</i>	Alexia Lopez(Navy), Jane Salva(Navy), Mason Schultz(Coast Guard), Luke Stangs(Navy), Chase Smith(Army)
<i>American Red Cross Blood Drive Leadership Award</i>	Giovanna Kopchik
<i>Art-Outstanding AP Studio Art Achievement Award</i>	Anthony Allsop, Sophia Schulz
<i>Art-Outstanding Sculpture Award</i>	Natalie Gappa, Marissa Gunkel
<i>Athletic Tri-Excellence Award</i>	Riley Alkhas, Silas Day, Luke Guaragno, Blake Oglialoro, Jack Trickel
<i>Bucks County Foundation Maurice Neinken Memorial Scholarship</i>	Gianna Nastasi, Catherine Russo
<i>Bucks County Foundation James R. Cadwallader Scholarship</i>	Gianna Nastasi
<i>Business & Technology Outstanding Achievement</i>	Luke Guaragno, Delia Leonard
<i>Career Pathways Programs:</i>	
<i>Art & Design</i>	Anthony Allsop
<i>Business</i>	Mason Bauer, Madisyn Deem, Jack Feather, Luke Guaragno, Delia Leonard
<i>Education</i>	Luke Ruvo, Ryleigh Steinmetz
<i>Engineering</i>	Fiona Kelleher, Brandon Pool, Mason Schultz, Tobey Witt
<i>Medical</i>	Isabella Carson, Rhea Greenberg, Aaron Lang, Ilaria LeBlanc, Alexia Lopez, Jane Salva
<i>Christian J. Mann Memorial Award-Commercial Art</i>	Anthony Allsop
<i>Christian J. Mann Memorial Award-Fine Art</i>	Sophia Schulz
<i>Christian J. Mann Memorial Award-Sculpture</i>	Sean Camp
<i>College Board National Recognition Award</i>	Isabella Carson, Nathan Clapp, Nora Feather, Stacy Fleck, Rhea Greenberg, Giovanna Kopchik, Ilaria LeBlanc, Matthew McAnally, Zachary Neumayer, Jane Salva, Sophia Schulz, Ryleigh Steinmetz
<i>Colonial League Academic All Star Award</i>	Greyson George, Jane Salva
<i>Cooper Mechanical Inc. Scholarship</i>	Mason Breiner
<i>Debate Team</i>	Alexia Lopez, Sophia Schulz, Lauren Showmaker
<i>Distinguished Honor Roll-Three Consecutive Quarters</i>	Riley Alkhas, Mason Bauer, Isabella Carson, Stacy Fleck, Louise Focazio, Greyson George, Fiona Kelleher, Gianna Nastasi, Ava Reed, Luke Ruvo, Sophia Schulz, Luke Stangs, Ryleigh Steinmetz, Lila Stiansen
<i>Donna M. Parris Palisades Community Chorus Scholarship</i>	Ryan Metz
<i>Dr. Francis V. Barnes Scholarship Award</i>	Wesley Detweiler, Ryleigh Steinmetz
<i>Ed Peterson Memorial Music Award</i>	Nora Feather, Ryan Metz, Gianna Nastasi
<i>Ed Ruisz Track & Field Scholarship Award</i>	Greyson George, Mikayla Irvine
<i>E. M. Nicholas Memorial Grant</i>	William Zaleski
<i>Emmalee Bryan Memorial Scholarship</i>	Ryleigh Steinmetz
<i>English Dept. Outstanding Achievement Award</i>	Alexia Lopez, Sophia Schulz
<i>FBLA Regional Competition Award</i>	Blake Oglialoro, Eva Wirth
<i>Flinchbaugh Family Scholarship</i>	Blake Oglialoro, Lauren Showmaker
<i>Foundations Community Partnership Award</i>	Jane Salva
<i>Good Citizenship Award- Rep. Craig T. Staats</i>	Alexia Lopez
<i>Good Citizenship Award-Senator Jarrett Coleman</i>	Rhea Greenberg, Nathan Clapp
<i>Hans O. Reimann Scholarship for Environmental Education</i>	Jane Salva, William Zaleski
<i>John James Quinby Memorial Award</i>	Fiona Kelleher
<i>Krapf Family Foundational Educational Scholarship</i>	Raiven Brunton-Dardaris
<i>Link Crew Leadership and Communication Award</i>	Stacy Fleck
<i>Link Crew Mentorship and Role Modeling Award</i>	Dylan Ofner
<i>Link Crew Commitment to Responsibility and Inclusivity Award</i>	Ryleigh Steinmetz
<i>Masonic Lodge 469 Scholarship</i>	Ilaria LeBlanc, Dylan Ofner
<i>Mathematics Award-Highest Attainment</i>	Samuel Brandes, Alexia Lopez, Dylan Ofner
<i>Mathematics Award-Outstanding Achievement</i>	Stacy Fleck, Rhea Greenberg, Giovanna Kopchik
<i>Musantry Family "Pay it Forward" Award</i>	Lucinda Stevens
<i>Music-Atea Youngblood Memorial Orchestra Award</i>	Saii Reilly, Uriel Villada Gutierrez
<i>Music-County Chorus Award</i>	Nathan Clapp, Louise Focazio, Mikayla Irvine, Ilaria LeBlanc, Luke Ruvo, Andrew Woerz, William Zaleski
<i>Music-Karen Harding Memorial Instrumental Music Award</i>	Gianna Nastasi
<i>Music-Outstanding Achievement in Concert Band</i>	Alexander Ludwig, Jonah McCandless

<i>Music- Outstanding Achievement in Jazz Band</i>	Ryan Metz, Saii Reilly
<i>Music- Outstanding Achievement in Marching Band</i>	Matthew McAnally
<i>Music-Outstanding Achievement in Vocal Music Award</i>	Louise Focazio
<i>National Honor Society Award</i>	Alexia Lopez, Sophia Schulz
<i>Palisades Alumni Association Scholarship Awards:</i>	
Achievement Scholarship	Riley Alkhas, Isabella Carson, Mikayla Irvine
Ed Ruisz Athletic Scholarship.....	Jack Trickle
Helen Lines Nast Journalism Scholarship	Sophia Schulz
Stephanie Stoneback Zisko Athletic Scholarship	Jane Salva
<i>Palisades Class of 75 & 76 50th Reunion Award</i>	Luke Stangs
<i>Palisades Community Foundation Scholarships-for the 3 Pillars of the Foundation: Arts, Education & Wellness</i>	Luke Ruvo- ARTS , Stacy Fleck- EDUCATION , Ben Naska- WELLNESS
<i>Palisades Education Association Achievement Scholarships:</i>	
Education Major	Ryleigh Steinmetz, Lucinda Stevens
Non Education Major	Raiven Brunton-Dardaris, Jane Salva
<i>Palisades School Board of Directors Service Award</i>	Jane Salva, Lucinda Stevens
<i>Palisades Softball Beyond the Bases Scholarship</i>	Catherine Russo
<i>Palisades Youth Cheerleader Award</i>	Fiona Kelleher
<i>Palisades Youth Football Award</i>	Chase Smith
<i>Penn Community Bank Award</i>	Nathan Fox
<i>Philadelphia Society of Women Engineers Award for Mathematics and Science</i>	Rhea Greenberg, Giovanna Kopchik, Jane Salva
<i>Phoenix Award</i>	Sophia Doneker, Robert Troxel
<i>Political Action Award</i>	Lucinda Stevens
<i>President's Education Achievement Award-Gold</i>	Isabella Carson, Nathan Clapp, Nora Feather, Rhea Greenberg, Giovanna Kopchik, Zachary Neumayer, Ava Reed, Sophia Schulz, Andrew Woerz
<i>President's Education Achievement Award-Silver</i>	Raiven Brunton-Dardaris, Stacy Fleck, Nathan Fox, Greyson George, Adam Holderer, Mikayla Irvine, Alexia Lopez, Matthew McAnally, Jane Salva, Tobey Witt, Max Woerner
<i>Principal's Purple & Gold Award</i>	Raiven Brunton-Dardaris
<i>Reading Olympics</i>	Sophia Schulz
<i>Riegelsville American Legion Post 950 Scholarship</i>	Jane Salva, Chase Smith
<i>Ronald Shive Memorial Music Scholarship</i>	Ryan Metz
<i>Rose Alex Memorial Scholarship Award</i>	Samuel Brandes, Gianna Nastasi
<i>S. Scott Hahn Memorial Scholarship</i>	Saii Reilly
<i>Scholars Bowl Outstanding Achievement</i>	Jonah McCandless, Noah McCandless
<i>Science Department-Outstanding Achievement Award Gold</i>	Alexia Lopez, Stuart Nohe
<i>Science Department-Outstanding Achievement Award Silver</i>	Greyson George, Rhea Greenberg, Giovanna Kopchik
<i>Scottie Segreaves Memorial Baseball Award</i>	Jack Feather
<i>Scottie Segreaves Memorial Football Award</i>	Chase Smith
<i>Silver Creek A.A. Community Baseball Scholarship</i>	Jack Feather
<i>Social Studies Department- Stanley K. Wieder Award</i>	Sophia Schulz, Robert Troxel
<i>Springfield Township Lions Club Grant:</i>	
Lion Edward A. Baumgartner-Two Year Institution.....	Cassandra Cox
Lion Thomas W. Free- Four Year Institution	Mikayla Irvine, Alexia Lopez
<i>St. Luke's Quakertown-Upper Bucks Campus Board of Trustees Academic Award</i>	Rhea Greenberg
<i>St Luke's Quakertown-Upper Bucks Campus Medical Staff Award</i>	Isabella Carson
<i>STEM Chief Science Officer Distinguished Service Award</i>	Raiven Brunton-Dardaris, Rhea Greenberg, Courtney Reguera, Jane Salva
<i>STEM Leadership Award</i>	Greyson George, Eva Wirth
<i>Steve Hohenstein Scholarship</i>	Silas Day
<i>Student Services: Customer Service Award</i>	Ilaria LeBlanc
<i>Technology and Design Department:</i>	
Application in Engineering & Design Award	Fiona Kelleher, Mason Schultz
<i>The Christ Lutheran Youth Volunteer Scholarship Award</i>	Jack Feather, Nora Feather
<i>Theater Arts Award</i>	Ilaria LeBlanc, William Zaleski
<i>Tinicum Civic Assn Community Arts, Culture & Service Award</i>	Saii Reilly, Sophia Schulz
<i>Tom Poynton Memorial Scholarship</i>	Jane Salva, Chase Smith
<i>United States Marine Corps Awards:</i>	
Distinguished Athletic Award.....	Jane Salva, Chase Smith
Scholastic Excellence Award.....	Nathan Clapp, Rhea Greenberg
Semper Fidelis Music Excellence Award.....	Gianna Nastasi, Luke Ruvo
<i>Upper Bucks Technical School:</i>	
Charles S. Graves Award	Zachary Neumayer, Ava Reed
Outstanding Technical Senior Award	Zachary Derstine (Mechatronics), Ava Reed (Exercise Science & Sports Technology)

Walter T. Rohrer/Palisades Sports Boosters Scholar-Athlete Award Sean Camp, Isabella Carson
Wehrung's Home and Lumber Business Award..... Ian Horvath
Wellness/Fitness Department:
Outstanding Achievement Award..... Riley Alkhas, Carly Evleth, Nathan Fox, Blake Oglialoro
William Stanley Award..... Isabella Carson
World Language-Pennsylvania Seal of Biliteracy Award..... Raiven Brunton-Dardaris, Sean Camp, Nora Feather,
 Stacy Fleck, Rhea Greenberg, Ilaria LeBlanc, Alexia Lopez, Alexander Ludwig, Matthew McAnally,
 Courtney Reguera, Jesus Sanchez, Jane Salva, Ryleigh Steinmetz, Lila Stiansen, Uriel Villada Gutierrez
World Language Department Award..... Alexia Lopez
World Language Award-French Raiven Brunton-Dardaris, Lila Stiansen, Uriel Villada Gutierrez
World Language Award-German Giovanna Kopchik, Andrew Woerz
World Language Global Citizenship..... Raiven Brunton-Dardaris, Ilaria LeBlanc
World Language Award-Spanish Stacy Fleck, Ryleigh Steinmetz

CLASS OFFICERS

<i>Student Body President</i>	<i>Jane Salva</i>
<i>Class President</i>	<i>Lucinda Stevens</i>
<i>Class Vice President</i>	<i>Mikayla Irvine</i>
<i>Class Secretary</i>	<i>Ilaria LeBlanc</i>
<i>Class Treasurer</i>	<i>Alexia Lopez</i>
<i>2026 Class Advisors</i>	<i>Ms. Karen Pavey and Mrs. Natalie Russo</i>

BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

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<i>Scott Davis</i>	<i>Springfield Elementary Principal</i>
<i>Brian Gilbert</i>	<i>Director of Athletics</i>
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<i>Gary Adams</i>	<i>Director of Technology and Warehouse</i>
<i>Susan Keogh</i>	<i>Human Resources Associate</i>
<i>Brenda Heyward</i>	<i>Payroll Specialist</i>
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<i>Nate Michener</i>	<i>PALMS Dean of Students</i>
<i>Kelly Dobrydnia</i>	<i>Child Accounting and PA State Reporter Specialist</i>

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Cassandra Lynn Cox*
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Madisyn Dana Deem
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