



Eugene High School senior Rohy Birdsong helps classmate Bailey Budzinski with her confetti cannon at the close of Sunday's graduation ceremony.



Eugene High School senior Madisyn Kempker solemnly stands, hand over heart, for the National Anthem at the start of Sunday's graduation ceremony.

# Tassels turn at Eugene



Eugene High School graduating senior Shaelyn Boessen turns her tassel to the left side of her cap at the close of Sunday's graduation ceremony.



Aleyah Chapman, vice president of the Class of 2025, announces the turning of the tassels during Eugene High School graduation ceremonies Sunday, May 18.



Eugene school board President Spencer Hoskins presents Macie Statler with her diploma during the Sunday, May 18 graduation ceremony.



Eugene school board member Christina Busch presents her son Isaac with his diploma during the Sunday, May 18 graduation ceremony.



Tuscumbia High School graduating senior Ann Fizer receives her diploma from her dad and former school board member Jimmy Fizer (Photo by Connie Wyrick)



Members of the Tuscumbia High School Class of 2025 pose for a group photo at the school. Pictured are, from left, front row: Mikyla Ziegler, Brooklyn Pendleton, Elly Tellman, Nicole Schulte, Shelby Rolin, Ann Fizer; back row: Carter Nutter, Colin Stokes, Colbie Monks, Blake Wansing, Bradley Miller, Zack Cline, Grant Basham and Lane Nixdorf. (Photo by Connie Wyrick)



From left, Tuscumbia High School graduates Nicole Schulte, Shelby Rolin, Brooklyn Pendleton, Carter Nutter, Lane Nixdorf and Colbie Monks toss their caps into the air during Friday's graduation ceremonies (Photo by Connie Wyrick)

# Pomp & circumstance in Tuscumbia



Tuscumbia High School graduating seniors Bradley Miller and Colbie Monks walk the aisle Friday, May 16 during the graduation processional (Photo by Connie Wyrick)

# Eugene High School Graduates

## Class of 2025



**Justice Allen**  
Justice Allen is the son of Kevin and Tina Allen.  
His plans after graduation include finishing his flooring installation apprenticeship with Allen Floors, Inc., then join the family business as part of the fourth generation.



**Ava Bax**  
Ava Bax is the daughter of Rob and Kim Bax.  
Her plans after graduation include going into agriculture. She is not sure which college to attend yet. It may be a two-year college so she can stay home and run her small sheep farm.



**Ryder Belt**  
Ryder Belt is the son of Jessica Morgan and Sid Belt.  
His plans after graduation involve attending State Tech to pursue digital marketing.



**Rohy Birdsong**  
Rohy Birdsong is the son of Elizabeth Birdsong and Josh Weddington.  
His plans after graduation include starting a business.



**Shaelyn Boessen**  
Shaelyn Boessen is the daughter of Shawn and Carrie Boessen.  
Her plans after graduation include attending Ozark Technical Community College and getting a degree in physical therapy assistant.



**Bailey Budzinski**  
Bailey Budzinski is the daughter of Samantha and Brad Siegel and Chris Budzinski.  
Her plans after graduation include attending MACC to hopefully further her interest in their OTA program.



**Isaac Busch**  
Isaac Busch is the son of Marcus and Christina Busch.  
His plans after graduation include getting a degree in business finance while planning on playing college basketball.



**Addison Carr**  
Addison Carr is the daughter of Roger and Jennifer Carr.  
She is undecided about what she will be doing after graduation.



**Aleyah Chapman**  
Aleyah Chapman is the daughter of Shanin and Angie Boesson.  
Her plans after graduation include attending Missouri Valley College to obtain a degree in exercise science while playing volleyball, then transferring to a university to earn a doctorate in physical therapy.



**Austin Colvin**  
Austin Colvin is the son of Jeff and Jen Colvin.  
His plans after graduation include attending State Fair for construction management.



**Blake Colvin**  
Blake Colvin is the son of Jeff and Jen Colvin.  
His plans after graduation include working for Kempker Fencing.



**Megan Cook**  
Megan Cook is the daughter of Melissa Cone and Chris Cone and Joshua Cook.  
Her plans after graduation include becoming a registered nurse.



**Jarett Daiprai**  
Jarett Daiprai is the son of Wes and Ange Daiprai.  
His plans after graduation include attending Iron Eagle Welding Academy in Stockton to become a master welder.



**Blake Doerhoff**  
Blake Doerhoff is the son of Gary and Ashley Doerhoff.  
His plans after graduation include attending State Tech for the Electrical Technology Program.



**Emma Frey**  
Emma Frey is the daughter of Mark and Michelle Frey.  
Her plans after graduation include attending SFCC using her A+ to get an associates degree in elementary education then finishing up by getting her bachelor's degree in elementary education at Lincoln University.



**Maximo Garcia**  
Maximo Garcia is the son of Alicia and Martin Ennor.  
His plans after graduation include moving to Iowa.



**Hannah Hale**  
Hannah Hale is the daughter of Michael Hale and Beth Hale.  
Her plans after graduation include attending State Fair Community College to become a registered nurse.



**Drew Hart**  
Drew Hart is the son of Scott and Becky Hart.  
His plans after graduation include attending S&T to study mechanical engineering.



**Ava Jobe**  
Ava Jobe is the daughter of Nathan and Heather Jobe.  
Her plans after graduation include attending SFCC for CIS web development.



**Jada Kemna**  
Jada Kemna is the daughter of Larry and LuAnn Kemna.  
Her plans after graduation include attending MIZZOU's ag animal science program and studying to be a veterinarian.



**Madisyn Kempker**  
Madisyn Kempker is the daughter of John and Sarah Kempker.  
Her plans after graduation include attending MACC in Columbia to become an occupational therapist assistant.



**Olivia Kempker**  
Olivia Kempker is the daughter of Ben Kempker and Julie Kempker.  
Her plans after graduation include studying early childhood education at Moberly Area Community College and Missouri State University.



**Zoe Kliethermes**  
Zoe Kliethermes is the daughter of Kristin and Nick Turner.  
Her plans after graduation include attending State Fair Community College in radiology technology.



**Tyler Loveall**  
Tyler Loveall is the son of Jennifer Loveall and Shannon Loveall.  
His plans after graduation include welding school at Iron Eagle.

**CLASS MOTTO:** "One Day at a Time."

**CLASS FLOWER:** Daisies

**CLASS SONG:** "Unwritten" by Natasha Benningfield

**CLASS COLORS:** Baby Blue and White

**CLASS OFFICERS:**

**PRESIDENT:** Emma Frey

**VICE PRESIDENT:** Aleyah Chapman

**SECRETARY:** Jada Kemna

**TREASURER:** Madisyn Kempker



Eugene school board President Spencer Hoskins presents Ryder Belt with his diploma during the Sunday, May 18 graduation ceremony.



Eugene school board President Spencer Hoskins presents Madisyn Kempker with her diploma during the Sunday, May 18 graduation ceremony.

**Happy Graduation**

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Eugene school board President Spencer Hoskins presents Jarett Daiprai with his diploma during the Sunday, May 18 graduation ceremony.



Eugene school board President Spencer Hoskins presents Cole Ousley with his diploma during the Sunday, May 18 graduation ceremony.

**Rudy Veit**

**State Senate**

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**Addison Matthews**  
Addison Matthews is the daughter of Doug and Dawn Matthews.  
Her plans after graduation include attending MACC in Columbia with a major in early childhood education.

**Cailin Matthews**  
Cailin Matthews is the daughter of Doug and Dawn Matthews.  
Her plans after graduation include attending MACC in Columbia with a major in early childhood education.

**Cole Ousley**  
Cole Ousley is the son of Travis and Carla Ousley.  
His plans after graduation include attending Missouri Valley College for a criminal justice degree with a minor in conservation/biology. Cole has earned a scholarship to be part of the shooting sports team.

**Mason Peters**  
Mason Peters is the son of Stephanie Dennis and Jeremiah Peters.  
His plans after graduation include joining the workforce.

**Calvin Prohaska**  
Calvin Prohaska is the son of Rod Prohaska and Keely Ross.  
His plans after graduation include attending State Tech.

**Brayten Sanders**  
Brayten Sanders is the son of Kernwood and Betsy Brown.  
His plans after graduation include attending State Fair and then transferring to Lincoln University to major in history.

**Sam Schulte**  
Sam Schulte is the son of Lucas and Becca Schulte.  
His plans after graduation include playing baseball at William Woods.

**Christopher Sharp**  
Chris Sharp is the son of William and Gabrielle Sharp.  
His plans after graduation include attending Iron Eagle Welding Academy and travel welding after that.



**Blake Stark**  
Blake Stark is the son of Valerie Groose, Matthew Stark, Mike Maki and Natlie Bartholomew.  
His plans after graduation include obtaining a degree in health sciences at the University of Missouri.

**Macie Statler**  
Macie Statler is the daughter of Mark and Jennifer Statler.  
Her plans after graduation include attending Stephens College in Columbia to study fashion design.

**Wes Steenburgen**  
Wes Steenburgen is the son of Kim and Bonnie Steenburgen.  
His plans after graduation include going to work.

**Zachary Vandike**  
Zachary Vandike is the son of Laura and Josh Vandike.  
His plans after graduation include joining the work force.

**Tritan Welch**  
Tritan Welch is the son of John Welsh, Nikki Chavez and JK and Destiny Welch.  
His plans after graduation include working at Your Right Hand Man.

**Gareth Wood**  
Gareth Wood is the son of Aaron and Roselyn Wood.  
His plans after graduation include pursuing his dreams to be an electrician or a lineman.



Eugene school board President Spencer Hoskins presents Addison Carr with her diploma during the Sunday, May 18 graduation ceremony.



Eugene school board President Spencer Hoskins presents Gareth Wood with his diploma during the Sunday, May 18 graduation ceremony.



Emma Frey, president of the Eugene High School Class of 2025, welcomes attendees to graduation ceremonies Sunday, May 18.



Members of the Eugene school band perform "Pomp and Circumstance" as seniors enter the gym during Sunday's graduation ceremonies.



Eugene school board President Spencer Hoskins presents Megan Cook with her diploma during the Sunday, May 18 graduation ceremony.



Eugene school board President Spencer Hoskins presents Austin Colvin with his diploma during the Sunday, May 18 graduation ceremony.



Eugene school board President Spencer Hoskins presents Blake Colvin with his diploma during the Sunday, May 18 graduation ceremony.



Eugene school board President Spencer Hoskins presents Olivia Kempker with her diploma during the Sunday, May 18 graduation ceremony.

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# Tuscumbia High School Graduates

# Class of 2025



**Grant Basham**  
Grant Basham is the son of Brian and Tonya Basham.  
His plans after graduation include working for his dad at the Eldon Drive-In.



**Zackary Cline**  
Zackary Cline is the son of Drew and Ali-sha Cline.  
His plans after graduation include attending Missouri S&T for Mechanical Engineering.



**Ann Fizer**  
Ann Fizer is the daughter of Jimmy and Beth Fizer.  
Her plans after graduation include working and volunteering.



**Bradley Miller**  
Bradley Miller is the son of Robert and Heather Miller.  
His plans after graduation include joining the United States Army infantry.



**Colbie Monks**  
Colbie Monks is the son of Darla Kliethermes.  
His plans after graduation include joining the workforce.



**Lane Nixdorf**  
Lane Nixdorf is the son of Les and Lacie Nixdorf.  
His plans after graduation include attending State Tech in Linn for Drafting and Design Engineering Technology.



**Carter Nutter**  
Carter Nutter is the son of Jake and Amanda Nutter.  
His plans after graduation include attending Missouri S&T to earn a degree in aerospace engineering.



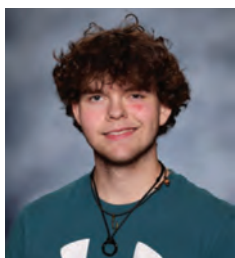
**Brooklyn Pendleton**  
Brooklyn Pendleton is the daughter of Bart and Chelsea Pendleton.  
Her plans after graduation include attend SFCC to receive my prerequisites for pharmacy school, then attend UMKC School of Pharmacy.



**Shelby Rolin**  
Shelby Rolin is the daughter of Shilo Cardoza and Justin Rolin.  
Her plans after graduation include the Marine Biology Program at CMU.



**Nicole Schulte**  
Nicole Schulte is the daughter of Valasha and Chuck Schulte.  
Her plans after graduation include joining the workforce and working in the greenhouse.



**Colin Stokes**  
Colin Stokes is the son of Sarah and Jeremy Wieberg.  
His plans after graduation include attending college, finding love, and getting stinky filthy rich.



**Elly Tellman**  
Elly Tellman is the daughter of Darrin and Lisa Tellman.  
Her plans after graduation include finishing SFCC's medical assisting program then go into their nursing program.



**Blake Watring**  
Blake Watring is the son of Ashley McClelland and Brent Watring.  
His plans after graduation include joining the workforce.



**Mikyla Ziegler**  
Mikyla Ziegler is the daughter of Patricia Cicero and Lester Bayer.  
Her plans after graduation include becoming a tattoo artist or attending cosmetology school.



Annie (Abbett) McGowin was commencement speaker Friday, May 16 at Tuscumbia High School. (Photo by Connie Wyrick)

**CLASS MOTTO:** "People change and things go wrong. Just remember that life goes on."

**CLASS FLOWER:** Zinnia

**CLASS SONG:** "Good Old Days" by Macklemore and Kesha

**CLASS COLORS:** Red and Silver

**CLASS OFFICERS:**  
President: Brooklyn Pendleton  
Vice president: Elly Tellman  
Secretary: Zack Cline  
Treasurer: Carter Nutter



Two of the Tuscumbia senior boys show off the artwork atop their graduation caps. (Photo by Connie Wyrick)



Tuscumbia High School senior Shelby Rolin receives an achievement certificate from Eldon Career Center welding instructor Jeremy Buechter during graduation Friday, May 16. (Photo by Connie Wyrick)



Tuscumbia senior girls show off the artwork atop their graduation caps. (Photo by Connie Wyrick)



Members of the Tuscumbia High School senior class had their traditional walk through the school halls Friday morning, May 16. Students in kindergarten through 11th grade, as well as teachers and community members cheered the seniors on as they made their final walk as students. Above, Zack Cline and Grant Basham lead the seniors on the walk-through. (Photo by Connie Wyrick)

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