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# Read with Your Teens

by Matthew McDill

After my high school students finish reading a book, I often wonder how much of it they actually grasped. This question can be answered with a brief oral query, a quiz, or a book report. But I'd like to suggest a strategy that will greatly enhance your students' understanding of a book, benefit you as the teacher, and enhance your relationship with your teen. *Read and discuss books with your students.* Now I'm not talking about reading aloud with them, although that is a good practice as well. I mean for you and your teen to read the same book separately and then get together to discuss what you are reading.

This approach benefits you because you have an excuse to read those great books that you didn't have the chance to read in high school (or read them again). As you talk, you'll be able to clarify concepts and track the arguments or plotlines of a book so that your students can get the most out of it. Best of all, you get to spend time with your kids! And this time isn't just enjoying a pastime together, but grappling with the big ideas and issues of life. This is an amazing opportunity to teach your children how to read critically from a biblical perspective and develop a more comprehensive view of God's world from His perspective.

As an example of how this works, I'll mention three books that I'm reading with some of my high school students this semester: one fiction, one non-fiction, and one book for discipleship.

The fiction work I am reading with one of my students is *A Tale of Two Cities* by Charles Dickens. I have read this before, but it is worth reading again! This book is often assigned to high school freshmen. As I read it for the second time, I am struck by how challenging it is, even for me. I'm trying to imagine how challenging it might be for a freshman!

There are many historical references to the details of the French Revolution that are not explicitly explained in the story. There is quite a bit of difficult vocabulary and sophisticated metaphors and irony. This complexity is why it is helpful to read and discuss it with your teen as they are reading. Make sure your teen is tracking with the story and fill in any background and questions that may come up. There are also many significant moral and spiritual issues presented in the story that need to be processed. In the end, you'll also get to enjoy the surprising twists and turns that the book takes as it brings all the characters together in an amazing conclusion!



The non-fiction book we are reading together this semester is *How to Read a Book: The Classic Guide to Intelligent Reading* by Mortimer J. Adler and Charles Van Doren. This book completely transformed my reading life. It teaches the reader how to decide what books are worth reading. It also teaches how to read quickly and find the information you really need. It teaches the reader how to slow down and critically analyze a book that is worth reading. Finally, it teaches how to do research. This book is challenging. (The authors argue that most books worth reading are!) So, it has been helpful for us to get together and discuss the chapters as we read them. This book is required reading for any students who want to graduate from our homeschool.

Finally, another non-fiction book we are reading is a book for spiritual development. As I've mentioned before in this magazine, I have written a book called *Loving God: A Practical Handbook for Discipleship*. I wrote this book partly to record in one place all the primary topics of discipleship that I wanted to be sure to cover with my children. So as my kids go through high school, we read and discuss it together.

The point is to select good books that will help you disciple your teens. What a wonderful responsibility and privilege we have in teaching our children to know and love God! The priority for this should be reading and discussing God's Word. But another fantastic way to

disciple your teens is to read and discuss books with biblical, spiritual, and theological content together.

If all this seems overwhelming, I encourage you to pick just one relatively simple book to read and discuss with your kids. Set a manageable pace by reading a certain number of chapters a week, then plan time to sit down and discuss what you've read. Ask lots of questions. Let them ask you questions. Ask them to summarize the material and tell you what was interesting to them. Share what was striking to you. Let the conversation naturally develop. It is helpful if you both take notes or underline and mark in your books. As you gain experience and success, you'll be able to add more chapters, more time, and more books!



*Matthew McDill and his wife, Dana, live in Clemmons, NC, with six of their nine children. Matthew has been in pastoral ministry for over twenty-five years and is now the executive director for North Carolinians for Home Education. He earned his M.Div. and Ph.D. at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary and authored the book *Loving God: A Practical Handbook for Discipleship*. Matthew loves to teach from God's Word, especially on topics related to family relationships, discipleship, parenting, leadership, and home education.*

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# The View from the End of the Road—Slow Down

by Whitney  
Cranford Crowell

Almost weekly, I talk to a panicked mom of a very young child—not old enough to tie his shoes, sometimes not even potty-trained. She’s new to homeschooling, or she’s been planning it since the day she saw the double pink line, or she thinks she might want to try it sometime in the future, possibly—yeah—definitely, okay, maybe.

She looks at that cherubic little face and sees nothing but potential. (She’s still in that honeymoon phase of motherhood before the B.O. and bad attitudes and midnight breakdowns have made her jaded.) “He’s so smart!” she gushes. Or, “She just amazes me!” And then, almost without fail: “I know he (she) could do it if she’d (he’d) just sit still!”

It’s not just the parents of preschoolers. There’s the mom of the sixth-grader who’s scrambling to get her twelve-year-old started on college classes. The dad who’s pushing his son to graduate high school before he can legally drive. The kid in the newspaper who passed the bar but can’t buy a beer. Homeschoolers do a great job of stripping the inefficiencies out of the education system and capitalizing on the impact that individualized attention can have on a child’s progress.

And sometimes—sometimes—those are just the right paths for those very particular kids. As an advocate for parent-led education, I’d never presume to make that decision for someone else’s family. But the more trips I make around the sun, the more I realize how much quicker those trips seem to get with every revolution.

I had that precocious kid. The one who figured out multiplication on her own at four. The one who read Stevenson at nine and Dickens at eleven. The one who studied topics like astrophysics for fun. The one who soaked up knowledge so voraciously that I couldn’t have slowed her down if I tried. I am intimately familiar with the impulse to rush her out of

the nest to see just how fast and far she could fly.

That child graduates from my homeschool in seventy-two days. By the time you read this, she may very well be gone.

So these days, I am compelled to ask those families who are always looking ahead but seldom looking around: What's the rush?

Giving your child room to soar doesn't have to mean traveling at warp speed. The Concorde gets to Paris in three hours, but the hang glider gets to enjoy the view. Education is a process, not an endpoint—there's no prize for finishing early, unless you count rent and utility bills. Adulthood is long, but the years our children have to spend in quiet contemplation, simple pleasures, and innocence are so very short.

The transition happened gradually, but somewhere around middle school, I'd made the decision to throw all of my energy not into rushing my daughter headlong into the world—though she very easily could have done so and been just fine—but into intentionally slowing down. I came to appreciate education not as the checking of a series of career- and college-ready boxes but as the formation of a full human person. I cultivated an educational experience that valued drinking deep instead of skimming off the top. I took advantage of her natural talents and interests and developed coursework that challenged her to spend hours in thought, examining ideas from new and different angles and solving problems. I can't guarantee that she will ever have those opportunities again—not in college and certainly not in the workforce—so I promised myself that she would have them while she could.

And yes, if you're wondering, I managed to do it while also ensuring that we still checked all the boxes for college admissions—nine of them, to be exact, from a wide range of institutions. It turned out that when I stopped treating education like a series of hoops to jump through and facts to download into my child's brain and started focusing on her formation as a scholar and a person, all of those little skills fell into place too.

Last night, while discussing plans to book a hotel for the family to stay in this August while we move our daughter into her dorm, I was reading to my husband from the university website: "Once your vehicles are unloaded, our staff will direct you to park all vehicles in the designated parking area," I intoned. "Depending on proximity to the building, shuttles are provided to bring you back to the building. Meet up at the resident's room and—"

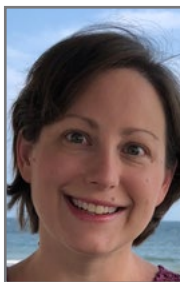
I fully intended to complete the sentence: "—let the unpacking begin!" I really did. Instead, I burst into tears.

I didn't even see it coming. I wasn't choked up or sad or feeling the least bit nostalgic. Remember when you were drunk on a cocktail of pregnancy hormones and lost it without warning because you dropped a sock and couldn't pick it up?

Yeah, it was like that.

I'm not a sentimental person. But believe me when I tell you that the end of the road comes out of nowhere, no matter how well you've anticipated it. Don't purposefully hasten its arrival. Don't wish away the precious years you've been given.

Don't get me wrong. To borrow from Freddy Mercury: "And bad mistakes... I've made a few." Maybe someday I'll tell you about them. But right now, looking back down the road of our homeschooling journey, I want to celebrate the one thing we got very, very right. And to encourage you, too, to slow down and enjoy the view because it all looks different from the end of the road.



*Whitney Cranford Crowell knew she'd reached peak homeschooling when she bought a custom nine-foot by six-foot bookcase with matching ladder and still didn't have room for all the books. She lives in her childhood home outside High Point with her husband of twenty-two years, their seventeen-year-old daughter, and their twelve-year-old son. She can*

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# You Are Almost Done! Now What?

by Diane Helfrich

Dear Mom,

Are you about to have your last child fly the nest? If not, that time will come! It's an exciting time that also comes with much trepidation. I'm sure you are asking yourself, "Have I done enough? Is my child ready?" You may also wonder how your life will change now that homeschooling is no longer part of your existence—except for all the shelves of books you still have, the whiteboard on the wall, the files of records, etc. I've been done schooling for almost ten years, and I still have a few books I just haven't sent elsewhere yet!

First of all, yes, you have prepared your child the best you could, whether it's the last of several or the only child to depart. We all do the best we can. Remember that your child models you as much as what you teach. You have been dedicated to giving them everything that you felt they needed. In that very action, you have demonstrated a work ethic, a work of completion, a practice of caring, and a value of education that sank into their very being, whether you were aware of it or not. Remember, when we take Holy Communion, there is a tiny bit of bread and wine or juice, but it is enough. You have given what you could. Your child is ready to fly independently, and they will learn what they need to know from here on.

Now, I want to talk about you. The end of homeschooling is akin to the end of a lifestyle, the end of a career, and the end of an entire social structure. If you were part of a co-op as I was, your primary social connection was with those parents. All of a sudden, you have no need to gather. Maybe you attended the Thrive! Conference every year and now have



no particular reason to attend. You've spent your days focused on your family, especially your children. Your identity is that of a homeschool mom, but you aren't now. So, who are you? What do you do? It's a feeling of being lost in a really odd way. But it doesn't have to be!

*Give yourself time to think about empty-nesting!* Evaluate what has been significant and who you value as friends. Be intentional about meeting cherished moms for coffee or lunch regularly, or just pick up the phone and call them. If you are fortunate, your homeschool group has retired homeschoolers that gather from time to time. If not, start a group! For example, I gathered homeschool mom friends for an evening at a pottery shop where we visited and painted. We had a great time reconnecting and catching up on families! A dear homeschool friend of mine started a ukulele club, and I decided to join. At first, it was so I could spend time with my friend. Now, I also love playing the ukulele and having weekly time with Mary! You don't have to change your social structure because you are no longer homeschooling. However, you must be intentional about it, or those friendships will easily drift away.

If you aren't headed back into the workforce, maybe this is your time to mentor other homeschoolers. You might put out the word in your area or in your former group that you are available to guide a new homeschooler. You may still want to teach a class or two at your co-op. I'm sure my co-op would welcome a retired homeschool parent with a desire to teach or who is willing to continue a popular program.

Coach a homeschooled sports team. It takes a lot of time, and sometimes, that's too much to add to the plate of an active homeschooler. But, maybe now, you have the time to benefit a larger group with your passion and skill. Some areas in the state don't have NCHEAC sports teams, but some families want a sport for their kids. All you need is a couple of other parents to come alongside you, and the NCHEAC people will advise you on how to begin.

NCHE has a mentoring service. You could sign up to help homeschoolers from across the state. You could bring a friend to the Thrive! Conference and show them the ropes. There are great talks for anyone, even if they are no longer homeschooling! Finally, you could volunteer at Thrive!; we always need help.

You can also volunteer to help on a committee under the NCHE board. We on the board can't be on every committee, and we hope to expand to include many volunteers. Perhaps you would like to help with legislative watches, the website, some aspect of media, or fundraising. Maybe you have experience with a population like special needs families and would like to help on that front. To help with any aspect of NCHE, go to <https://www.nche.com/partner/serve/>, and fill out the form. We will plug you in!

If you love the homeschooling community and feel at home there,

don't stop being part of it just because you are no longer homeschooling. There is great joy in being with like-minded people. Morph your identity to that of a homeschooling facilitator—someone who makes the world better for those still homeschooling. Better yet, for those who are beginning their homeschooling journey, you are needed! You are wanted! Don't languish in the lostness of ending your schooling journey. Let it go from an ending to a beginning with all you have learned and loved.

Be blessed in your new journey!



*Diane Helfrich is a retired fourteen-year veteran of homeschooling. She is married to David, and they have two children who have flown the nest. In addition to her passion for helping homeschoolers and volunteering as the development director for NCHE, she enjoys reading, card-making, and being part of a ukulele club.*



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# Homeschool Is Not a Vending Machine

by Amy Sloan

“My daughter is really struggling with lying; can you recommend good fiction books she can read to fix that?” “My son struggles with self-control; do you know a good unit study that could help?” “This read-aloud/poem/memory work/curriculum is really great at forming virtue in your children.”

These are the types of comments and questions I frequently see in the homeschool world. While I understand that most parents ask these questions or make these comments out of a genuine, godly desire to disciple their children more faithfully, something about this approach to “virtue formation” or “character development” always makes me cringe.

In fact, I would go so far as to say that I do not homeschool to make my children into virtuous humans. I do not choose novels for them as a sneaky way to fight sin. As much as I love our poetry memory work, I do not believe those poems will sanctify my children. Using any good homeschool tool in an attempt to manipulate or mold our children’s character serves neither their souls nor their education. Before I go on to clarify what I do not mean by these perhaps slightly shocking statements, allow me to share my primary concern.

Christian parents, rightly, want their children to choose the good and eschew the evil. We want them to believe what is true, love what is good, and admire what is beautiful. We have certain priorities for the types of humans we hope to leave our homes one day. But it’s when we get our end goals and our source of hope out of whack that things go awry.

If the end goal of our educational choices is inculcating virtue, we run the risk of raising very moral heathens. Virtue apart from the Triune God is emptiness. Obedience without love for Christ is death. If we decide to homeschool in order to save our children, our hope is in the wrong thing. Only the Holy Spirit can change our children’s hearts. Only the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.



Homeschool (like Christian parenting in general) is not a vending machine. You don't push the right buttons (the right character-based curriculum, the ideal read-aloud, the perfect collection of memory work) and get the right result (nice, Christian kid). When our homeschooling, curriculum choices, or family standards (all good things, I might add) become our idols, we have placed our hope in things that will always ultimately disappoint us.

Does it matter, then? Lest I be misunderstood, let me be clear. Of course, it matters what we read, what we memorize, and how we spend our time. Of course, education is a process of nurturing the formation of the mind and imagination, of encouraging humility and praise as we behold the works of God. Of course, the things we regularly behold will affect the way we think.

1 Corinthians 15:33 says clearly, "Do not be deceived: 'Evil company corrupts good habits.'" I think this applies just as much to the things we read and how we spend our time as it does to our literal friends.

We are commanded to think on certain things instead of others: "Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things." (Philippians 4:8)

We are clearly entrusted with a serious calling from God Himself to disciple our children by word and example. (Deuteronomy 6) But we must never be deceived into thinking our hope lies in doing this whole parenting thing the "right" way. Homeschooling is not going to save our children. Poetry will not save our children. Read-aloud time will not save our children. Only Jesus can do that.

We can get a little irritated by that in our pride, right? Like, wait, doesn't God appreciate all the sacrifices I'm making for my children and all the hours I spent researching curriculum and customizing this epic homeschool experience? But aren't we really saying something like "God owes me" in that moment? Instead, we must humble our hearts before the Lord. He is the Potter; we (and our children) are the clay. And isn't that actually a hopeful thing?

What if you didn't pick the perfect curriculum, after all? What if you didn't perfectly curate the book list? What if you mess up and yell at your kids?

If you have a vending-machine mentality, I guess you'd better just hope that you've pushed more "right" buttons than "wrong" ones. What could be more terrifying for the Christian parent? But what if it's not a vending machine? What if you and your children can rest in the arms of a God who "cannot deny Himself," who sent His Son to die for His people while we were still sinners?

What if how your children ultimately turn out is not about the words you read and recite in your homeschool but about the Word made flesh?

Virtue can't be our ultimate end. Raising good (or even exceptionally virtuous) kids can't be the ultimate goal in our homeschool. After all, even pagan philosophers and historians could encourage good moral character.

Instead, pray with and for your kids, that they would love the Lord their God with all their heart, soul, mind, and strength. Pray that the love of Christ would dwell richly in their heart through faith. Put your hope in the Holy Spirit's work.

Step away from the vending machine and your frantic attempts to save your kids. God's already taken care of it.

This article originally appeared on [HumilityandDoxology.com](http://HumilityandDoxology.com)



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# NCHE's 2023 Graduates



**Connor W. Appelboom**, son of Tim and Terri Appelboom of Winston-Salem, graduates from Appletree Academy. As a homeschool honor student, Connor shadowed

US Representative Virginia Foxx, competed in NCFCA Christian Speech and Debate League with IGNITE club, represented fellow students on NCFCA's student advisory council, became a charter member of the American Speech and Debate Association, participated in 4-H club, and serves as soundboard operator at church. Most importantly, he has made many friends. Raising and educating Connor has been the greatest honor and accomplishment for his parents. God has blessed our family with a joyful homeschool adventure! The journey continues with admission to PHC where he plans to study political journalism.



**Max Brenton Arey**, son of Tim and Kelly Arey of Charlotte, graduates after five years of homeschooling. Max is a blessing to his family and is a devoted son and

brother. He has many talents and excels in several areas of interest. He has a passion for dirt bike

racing and has been competing for several years. He is currently employed with a motorcycle race shop and is becoming a skilled mechanic, building professional racing engines.



**Caden Daurell Ashe**, son of Cameron and Colette Ashe of Statesville, graduates after homeschooling for two years. For a year and a half, he has been a part-time

youth counselor for the YMCA, mentoring young children. Caden loves music and enjoys playing the bass guitar, spending time with friends and family, and playing basketball with the travel AAU team. He is a faithful member of Jubilee Temple Apostolic Church, where he plays the bass guitar and drums. We are so proud of you, Caden, and are standing with great expectations to see God's plans for you. Jeremiah 29:11



**Robert Auge**, son of David and Michelle Auge of Smithfield, graduates after homeschooling for thirteen years. Bobby has the gift of compassion and willingly listens with a desire to help

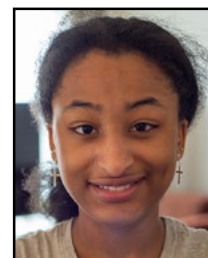
anyone in need. He continues to be a joy to all he meets and quietly encourages all to grow in love and hope.

Bobby has decided to pursue a more in-depth study of the Lord's Word and will attend Word of Life Bible Institute in New York this fall. Deuteronomy 29:29



**Katelyn Austin**, daughter of Brad and Rebecca Austin of Wesley Chapel, graduates after homeschooling for thirteen years. She has served in leadership roles at her

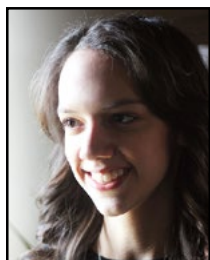
church, loved her friends and family well, and worked hard to receive several scholarships. She plans to study art education to provide a place for creativity and the arts to honor the Lord. We are so proud of you, Katelyn! Before anything else, you are a loved daughter of the King!



**Kayden Samaira Austin**, daughter of DeShannon and Junna Austin, graduates with honors after eight years of home education. She is dual enrolled at FTCC on

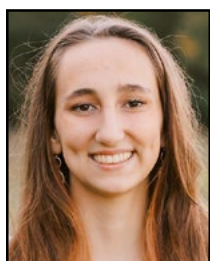
an associate of art pathway, maintaining a 4.0 and will transfer to UNC Chapel Hill for a master's degree in business. She has a heart for church missions and speaking God's truth. We are blessed to see her living out God's plan for her life! She enjoys crafting, piano, and entrepreneurship.





**Olivia Elizabeth Ball** is the daughter of Lane and Elizabeth Ball of Statesville. She is graduating with honors from Snow Creek Christian Academy, completing

twelve years of home education. Olivia has played the violin and cello combined for six years. She is an avid reader with a special love for the classics. Her desire is to pursue art and literature. Her favorite verse is Psalm 34:4-5.



**Rachel Barron**, daughter of Chad and Anne Barron of Hamptonville, graduates after being homeschooled since birth. Rachel enjoys reading, swimming, piano,

creating art, and writing. She has been a part of CC for several years and has completed a few college classes. Rachel is an absolute ray of sunshine! We are celebrating with her and looking forward to her new adventures on the bright horizon.



**Lawrence Jay Barth**, son of Daniel and Sherri Barth of Charlotte, will graduate on June third after thirteen years of homeschooling. Lawrie

has enjoyed singing with CHEA's Carolina Youth Chorale and participating in Opus Deum through SALT Charlotte. He is an explorer in post number 244 with the Charlotte Fire Department and an alumnus of Camp Hornets' Nest. Lawrie is working toward earning his black belt in American Freestyle Karate this summer. He plans to pursue an education in fire protection technology and hopes to have a career as a firefighter in the Charlotte area.



**Elijah Justice Beaton**, son of Gary and Kristi Beaton of Randleman, graduates after a lifetime of homeschooling. A principled young man and a diligent student

blessed with logic and discernment, Elijah is also a gifted actor and singer who shares his talents with dedication and humility. Our journey has been sweet, Sir! You're our wonderful son! Keep loving the Lord as we pray for His continued guidance and grace. Truth changes everything!



**Kayla Renee Bednar**, daughter of Brian and Sharon Bednar of Clinton, graduates after eleven years of homeschooling. She enjoys art, playing piano, gymnastics, and

competitive cheerleading. Kayla is graduating high school with an associate's degree and plans to transfer to a university to complete her BS in biology and continue to a physician's assistant program.



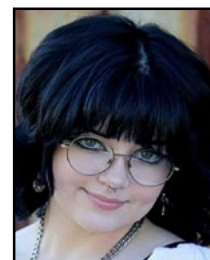
**Sierra Nicole Bell**, daughter of Shane and Michele Bell of Thomasville, is graduating with honors from Sovereign Academy after seven years of

homeschooling. She has earned two years of college credit from DDCC with plans to further her education after graduation. She currently works at Carolina Elite Gymnastics as a coach. She enjoys spending time with her friends, listening to music, and watching movies. Sierra is active in her youth group and has a love and passion for her Lord and Saviour. We are so proud of what she has accomplished and what she will continue to do. Isaiah 58:11



**Brock Alan Boehling**, son of Eric and Shelley Boehling of Wilmington, graduated after homeschooling for twelve years. A kind,

witty, and athletic young man, he played varsity basketball and tennis for the SHS Cardinals. He was also active in his church and homeschool group and participated in Junior Bible Quiz, Teen Bible Quiz, and retirement home ministries. Brock will be attending and playing tennis for Covenant College in Lookout Mountain, GA.



**Taylor "Rylie" Cain**, daughter of Brad and Dawn Cain of Clinton, graduates after one year of homeschooling. Rylie is very artistic and has won several awards for

paintings or drawings completed at school and has had paintings auctioned off at the school auction. Rylie plans to attend Sampson Community College after graduation and plans to transfer to University of Mount Olive to study arts and obtain her bachelor's degree in arts.



**James Elizabeth Adair Carroll**, best student of Tamar Carroll and Justin Patterson of Durham, graduates after homeschooling for five years. Thanks to the

freedom of homeschool, Adair has been able to thrive as a nationally recognized digital artist, illustrator of books, and performer. Adair will continue to blaze trails as a graphic designer, entrepreneur, and thespian through various endeavors while studying to become your next favorite animator.



**James Nathaniel Carter**, son of James B. and Kelly Lynn Carter of Boone, graduates after homeschooling at Carter Academy and Tutoring for two years and managing

dual enrollment at Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute. Everyone is so proud of how far you have come and how far you will go! We love you so much and can't wait to see all the amazing things you will accomplish as you enter the next phase of your life. Congratulations!



**Kase Carter**, son of Danny and Angie Carter of High Point, graduates from Key Foundation Academy after homeschooling for thirteen years. Kase enjoys cooking, drawing, and playing his collection of ukuleles. Because of his love for Jesus and others, he has gone on several mission trips and serves in church. He has a wonderful sense of humor that brings a smile to many. After graduation, he plans to continue working as an electrician's assistant.



**Hannah Elizabeth Cavanaugh**, daughter of Bob and Tina Cavanaugh of Winston-Salem, graduates after twelve years of homeschooling. She has completed dual enrollment classes at Forsyth Tech and been an active participant in NCFCA, a national speech and debate association, learning many valuable lessons through

her years of competition and the wonderful friends and mentors she has met along the way. Hannah plans to study pre-law at Regent University.



**Samuel Cole**, son of Bruce and Lisa Cole of Vale, graduates after homeschooling for ten years. He participates in soccer and bowling for Special Olympics. Samuel is active in his church and is an avid reader. He is a fan of retro video games, enjoys coding on his Raspberry Pi, and enjoys finding humor in everyday life. Samuel will be attending community college to pursue a career in computer technology. We are very proud of you!



**Molly Elizabeth Coleman**, daughter of Jay and Katie Coleman of Greensboro, graduates after homeschooling for six years and attending

public school in the years prior. She has played varsity basketball four years for the GC Heat, becoming team captain her last year. Molly has worked part-time at her family's landscaping company and Chick-fil-A. She loves the beach, her large family, and her pets. Molly plans on attending GTCC for cosmetology. We love you and are so proud of the woman you have become! Psalm 46:5.



**Madison Couch**, daughter of Kyle and Arielle Couch of Graham, graduates after homeschooling for eight years. Madison is a diligent student who loves reading, visiting the beach, and spending time with family. Due to varied interests, Madison is currently seeking God's direction for her life after graduation. We are excited to see where God leads her! "In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths." Proverbs 3:6 NKJV

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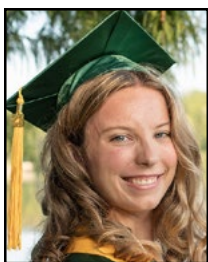
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**Charlotte Crowell**, daughter of Wes and Whitney Crowell of High Point, graduates with highest honors after ten years of home education. Charlotte is a member of

Mu Eta Sigma math honor society and a competitive rower who loves reading, drawing, and her family and friends. She has traveled the country and studied abroad in Japan. Charlotte is a National Merit Scholar and will attend the University of Alabama on a full-ride scholarship to study computer science. She hopes to pursue a career in data analysis/AI or software development. We love you, and we are so proud of all you've accomplished!



**Evanna Lidiya Danley**, the daughter of Lesya and Jeff Danley of Hickory, graduates after twelve years of homeschool education. During her homeschooling,

she played various sports and studied classical piano. Evanna will continue to higher education, seeking to utilize the abilities that God has gifted her. She is currently pursuing a degree in engineering.



**Daphne Angelina Dew**, daughter of Jenn and Nick Dew of Sanford, graduates with honors from Pine Wood Academy after twelve years of homeschool. While

pursuing academic excellence, she reached the rank of third degree level three Black Belt in Taekwondo and is a certified instructor teaching the discipline of martial arts. She was a violinist in the Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra and volunteered at organizations such as the county library, food pantry, and Habitat for Humanity. A member of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, she is dual enrolled at CCCC where she will earn her associate's degree.



**Grace Mary Dillon**, daughter of Adam and Wendy Dillon of Concord, graduates May 27 after homeschooling thirteen years. Grace serves with Child Evangelism

Fellowship leading Good News Clubs for school-age children and works in the YMCA afterschool program. She is active in Love Life Charlotte sidewalk counseling ministry and will be pursuing ministry opportunities with children and orphans, for Jesus. We are so proud of you and will always love you!



**Ar' yana Lee Dupuis**, daughter of Justin and Susan Hasenfus of Lillington and Dean and Shana Dupuis of Conshohocken, PA, graduates after

homeschooling her whole life. An honors student, Ar' yana has completed forty-one college credits through the NC Career and College Promise program and is a member of the Beta Sigma Phi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa. Ar' yana has played soccer, basketball, and was a member of the Gaming Club at Central Carolina CC. She enjoys crocheting, drawing, gaming, and talking about current events. Ar' yana plans to pursue a degree and career in forensic science.



**Shea Anne Dupuis**, daughter of Justin and Susan Hasenfus of Lillington and Dean and Shana Dupuis of Conshohocken, PA, graduates after

homeschooling her whole life. An honors student, Shea has completed forty-one college credits through the NC Career and College Promise College Transfer pathway leading to the associate in science and is a member of the Beta Sigma Phi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa. Shea has played soccer and was a member of the Gaming Club at Central Carolina CC. She enjoys sewing, gaming, and loves animals. Shea plans to pursue a degree and career in the veterinary field.



**Luke Ertzberger**, son of Jeff and Heather Ertzberger, graduates with honors after homeschooling his entire life. He is an accomplished pianist, fluent in ASL, and

talented with technology; he uses those gifts serving at church, retired living facilities, and STP as music director, interpreter, or tech assistant. He has been active in Bible Quiz and Summit ministries. He plays on the tennis team and participated in Mock Trial. He is a dream maker whether helping a brother write a show or learn to program a creation, creating a musical masterpiece at the request of a director, or helping a senior adult learn how to use technology. He plans to continue to pursue a future in the field of computer science following his internship. Romans 8:38-39



**Curtis Andrew Evavold**, son of Kevin and Candie Evavold of Asheboro, graduates after homeschooling for seven years. Curtis has been active in Boy Scouts since

fifth grade and is currently working on his Eagle Scout rank. He loves camping, hiking, and fishing. He plans on pursuing a career as an electrician. We love you and are so proud of you!



**Benjamin Fitts**, son of Sean and Teresa Fitts of Holly Springs, graduates after homeschooling from the beginning. He plans to major in business finance at ECU. Benjamin has

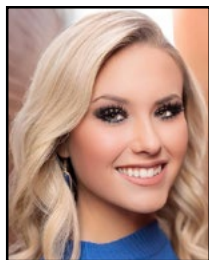
earned his black belt in karate, spent many years playing goalie for a travel soccer team, and enjoys working on his truck in his spare time. He maintained a 4.0 while working full-time hours during his junior and senior years.





**David McClintock Fleming**, son of Bryson and Sandi Fleming of Asheville, graduates after homeschooling for thirteen years. He is dually enrolled at UNCA and AB

Tech, where he made the Dean's List, and in NCSSM's online program. A National Merit Finalist and an AP Scholar with honors, he earned three gold medals on the NLE. David won individual and team awards competing on the Asheville Homeschool Math Club. Swimming with the Asheville Trailblazers, he received the Most Improved Award and the Trailblazer Award. He also plays Ultimate Frisbee. David has played the cello in the ASYO and the CYSO. He is an Eagle Scout, an avid chess player, and a member of Trinity PCA. He will study engineering at GA Tech, NCSU, Clemson, UTK, Alabama, or VA Tech.



**Cylee Layne Fogleman**, daughter of Wiley and Angie Fogleman of Hillsborough, graduates after homeschooling for thirteen years. Cylee is a competitive dancer who

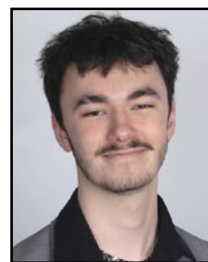
has been dancing for sixteen years and plans to pursue a career as a professional dancer. She is continuing her education to pursue a career in real estate/interior design. She is active in her church and community service. She knows that with God as her guide, she can accomplish anything.



**Luke Michael Gardner**, son of Tommy and Christy Gardner of Raleigh, graduates after thirteen years of homeschooling. He plays baseball for the Wake

County Homeschool Warriors at the varsity level and has been playing baseball all of his life. He enjoys

playing guitar on the worship team for his youth group and serves on the Student Leadership Team. He also enjoys hunting of all sorts and fishing with friends. He plans to attend Wake Tech CC and explore an apprenticeship in diesel mechanics.



**Judson Garren**, son of Todd and Wanda Garren of Lincolnton, graduates after homeschooling for thirteen years. He is enrolled at Gaston College, where he plans to complete

his associate's degree. Being an avid *car guy*, Judson already owns his first classic car, a fifth-generation Honda Prelude. He is also a team leader at Chick-fil-A. With a kind, outgoing personality, Judson is destined to great things for God's glory! Proverbs 3:5-6

# DAVIDSON Good



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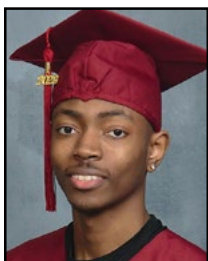


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**Davidson Good**, son of Gina and Ash Good and brother to Diana, of Wilmington, is a lifetime homeschooler graduating with an AS degree. A four-sport varsity letterman annually in tennis, swim, golf, and soccer, he served as captain and was NCHEAC All-Conference, All-Tournament, Defensive Player of the Year, Player of the Year, All Coastal Preps Defensive Player of the Year, First Team for soccer and Second Team for tennis, and swam the 2021 Silver Medal State Medley Relay for the Cardinals. He is a NC Silver Medal classical pianist. He is captain and cadet commander in the US Air Force Auxiliary Civil Air Patrol, received an appointment to the US Air Force Academy, and was selected to the Honors programs at UNC Chapel Hill, Duke University, and NCSU. Honors include the President's List, Phi Theta Kappa, and the founding of The Honours Guild where he is a Science Olympiad and debate team captain.



**Troy Gorham Jr.**, son of Troy Gorham Sr. (Baltimore, MD) and Rubetta Tilghman of Outer Banks, graduates after homeschooling for five years. He will also be

obtaining a certificate in business administration through the CCP program of Alamance CC, where he has dual enrollment. He plans to continue at ACC to obtain degree in business administration. We are so

proud of you! The best is yet to come! We look forward to seeing what God does next!



**Seth Greenley**, beloved son of Josh and Becky, graduates after eleven years of homeschooling. Seth enjoys writing, music, and adventure. He is an excellent guitar player and storyteller. Seth is a loving and patient eldest brother to his three siblings and is the first homeschool graduate in our home. He will continue his education at Southwestern CC after high school. Seth, you are a blessing to us and many others. God has amazing plans for you!



**Naomi Hazel Grim**, daughter of Drew and Lacey Grim of Pleasant Garden, graduates after homeschooling for eighteen years. The oldest of four, Naomi set a high bar for commitment, persistence, and responsibility. Her humor, congeniality, and eagerness to try new things have made life and learning a joy. A talented violinist and loved by all who know her, Naomi is led by curiosity and artful instincts—we cannot wait to see what she does next!



**Georgia Shea Grinwis**, daughter of Jonathan and Jennifer Grinwis of Summerfield, graduates after homeschooling for twelve years. She has excelled throughout in Classical Conversations. As a dancer and volleyball player, she has earned many distinguished awards. Her life experiences include serving at church, summer camp, and working for Chick-fil-A. With full confidence in divine guidance, we pray for much success in all of her future endeavors!



**Jayna Rachel Haddox**, daughter of Troy and Karyn Haddox of Denver, will graduate after homeschooling her whole life. She has a passion for dance and other fine arts. She has performed a variety of dance styles for fourteen years and competed for eleven. She also has a natural ability in drawing and painting. Jayna has a heart for all of God's creation, especially children and animals. She is seeking God's will for the next stage of her life.

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So very grateful & proud of you!!!!

Love Always, Mommy, Amber, Lauren, & Gavin

**SOME SAY NATHAN. BUT GOD SAYS AWESOME!**

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**Christian Hall**, son of Darrell and Lara Hall, graduates after homeschooling for thirteen years. He has demonstrated a strong talent for computer

science, excelling in advanced coursework and pursuing research opportunities in the field. Christian is currently participating in an AI internship, gaining valuable real-world experience and further cementing his interest in this rapidly growing field. We have no doubt that he will continue to make significant contributions to the world of computer science in the years to come, and we are so proud of him!

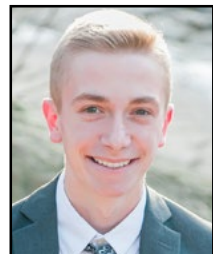
*Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails.*

(Proverbs 19:21)



**Elerie Joy Hall** is the joy of our lives. We hope your dreams take you to the highest of your hopes and to the most special places your heart has ever known.

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**Nathan Parker Hall**, son of Valerie Hall of Holly Springs, graduates after homeschooling twelve years. He's earned multiple medals in swimming and JCL (Latin and Greek), been

active in various honor societies and volunteer organizations through the years. In his spare time, he enjoys BSF, Awana, JCL, studying Latin and Greek,

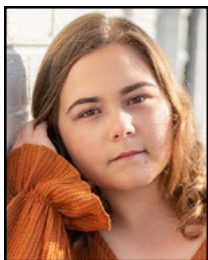
competitive swimming, leading various WHA events, caring for his animals, working with rescues, playing the guitar and piano, and anything with his family—especially white water rafting, tubing down rivers, roller coasters, the beach, kayaking, board games, crafts, and completing very large puzzles, while capturing the process in time-lapse. Nathan will be attending NCSU, majoring in CMD biology, minoring in genetics.



**Jordan Haluski**, it hasn't always been an easy road, but you've overcome and powered through the obstacles that life has thrown your way. We couldn't be more proud

of the person you have become. You can and will accomplish great things. Never stop pushing forward, and never stop believing in yourself. Like a sunflower, stand tall and strong. We love you and are so very proud of you, and we will always be here for you. With love, Mom and Dad





**Kambree Harris**, daughter of Kevin and Angel Harris of Eden, graduates after homeschooling for nine years. She is currently dual-enrolled at RCC for an associate's degree in science and plans to pursue a career in the medical field. In her free time, she enjoys Crossfit, watching Marvel movies, baking, and spending time with family. She looks forward to the plans God has for her future. We love you 3000 and are incredibly proud of you! Phil. 4:13

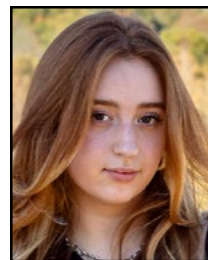


**Olivia Hayes**, daughter of Steven and Donna Hayes, is graduating after homeschooling for thirteen years. Olivia was a member of 4-H and started working her first job at sixteen. She quickly became a manager and purchased her first car with money she had saved. Olivia is very talented in music and photography

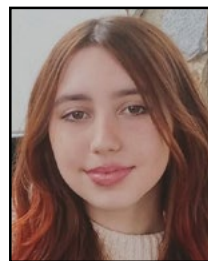
and was a photographer at the NCHE Conference at thirteen. She is attracted to entrepreneurship and plans to have her own business.



**Olivia Mykayla Hays**, daughter of Jeffrey and Nicole Watson, graduates after homeschooling for eight years. Olivia is active in Girl Scouts having earned her Bronze and Silver Awards and working on her Gold Award. She enjoys playing guitar, basketball, reading, and volunteering at a local animal sanctuary. Olivia graduates with a 4.0 and thirty-three college credits from TAMU-SA. After graduation, Olivia will finish her BS in biology, pre-vet at UNCG before pursuing her doctorate in veterinary medicine. Congratulations on dreams coming true! Numbers 6:24-26, Zephaniah 3:17



**Talon Faith Heaton**, daughter of Linda Heaton of Pilot Mountain and Gunner Heaton of Kernersville, graduates with honors after homeschooling for three years. She enjoys hanging out with friends, being outdoors, and shopping. Talon plans on going to college to pursue a career in nursing.



**Deborah Victoria Henry**, daughter of Dominick and Sarah Henry of Gastonia, graduates with honors after eleven years of homeschooling. Some of her many achievements through the years include excelling in Civil Air Patrol, Karate, and piano. Deborah was a leader at youth camps and has been a wonderful sister to her younger siblings. She also began her college education this past year through dual enrollment at Gaston College.



## *Jordan Elizabeth Haluski*

“For I know the plans I have for you”—this is the Lord’s declaration— “plans for your welfare, not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.” Jeremiah 29:11

Congratulations on your graduation. We are all so very proud of you. You are amazing, strong, and smart. Follow your dreams and you can accomplish great things. We are excited to see where God leads you.



“We have this hope as an anchor for our lives, safe and secure.” Hebrews 6:19

Love  
Grandpa, Grandma,  
Mom, Dad,  
and all your family







**Rachel Lauren Hill**, daughter of Nicky and Susan Hill of Wilmington, graduates with honors after homeschooling for thirteen years. She completed two years of dual enrollment courses at CFCC and earned a membership with Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society. Rachel has a passion for serving God and helping animals. She plans to pursue a veterinary medical technology degree. Rachel, we are so proud of your accomplishments and the woman you have become.



**Sarah Caitlin Huff**, daughter of Greg and Christy Huff of Wilmington, graduates with honors after homeschooling for twelve years. Sarah has

been a dual enrollment student at Cape Fear Community College for the past two years. She has been a member of the Unity Mock Trial team for three years and a dancer at Gafa Studios for sixteen years.



**Landon Wade Huffman**, son of Daniel and Heather Huffman of Mocksville, graduates after nine years of homeschooling. He loves

playing basketball for his local recreation center and plays with friends in his spare time. He also enjoys playing guitar and piano as well as singing in his youth group. Landon will apply to Norfolk Southern to pursue an engineering career and will also attend DCCC to pursue a degree in computer science.



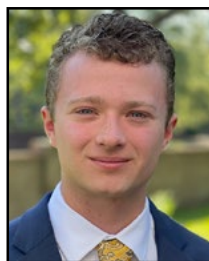
**Merritt Alan Hullett**, son of Michelle Shelly of Conover and Paul Hullett of Hickory Grove, SC, graduates after seven years of homeschooling. He has completed dual enrollment classes and will graduate with a

certificate in automotive systems technology from Catawba Valley Community College. Merritt enjoys working on various projects on his family farm, snowboarding, Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, working at Discount Tire, being outdoors, and cruising in his Mustang, truck, or motorcycle. Upon graduation, he will continue to explore career options. We are so proud of you Merritt! Jeremiah 29:11



**Ela Ray Hutchinson-Morrison**, daughter of Bradley and Ashley Hutchinson of Clemmons, graduates after homeschooling for eleven years. After graduation,

Ela plans to continue her work at Alex Lee, Inc. in Winston-Salem.



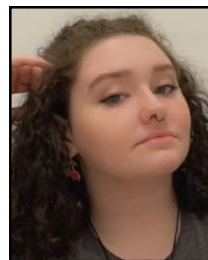
**Benjamin Stephen James**, son of Brian and Wendy James of Wilmington, graduates after homeschooling since the first grade. Benjamin is an Eagle Scout and plays

keyboard with his church's worship team. He enjoys working out, surfing, and traveling. He played soccer for the Southeastern Cardinals Home School Sports League for six years. He has completed his associate in science in the dual enrollment program at Cape Fear Community College. Benjamin is kind, outgoing, and intelligent. A true gentleman, Benjamin seeks to glorify God in all that he does. He plans to attend college in the fall at UNC Chapel Hill to pursue a degree in biomedical engineering. We pray that he will continue to love the Lord with all his heart, soul, and mind.



**Connor Thomas Jehorek**, son of Anna Marie and Jason Jehorek of Raleigh, graduates after homeschooling eight years. A talented musician and amateur

photographer, he looks forward to graduating and pursuing his post-secondary education.



**Allyson Jolly**, daughter of Larry Jolly and Christine Gaydon, graduates with honors from Shining Heights Academy after homeschooling for five years. She enjoys camping,

hiking, and traveling. She has participated in Civil Air Patrol, learning to fly, and has been interested in obtaining her pilot license. Our life verses for you are John 16:33 and Proverbs 3:5-6. Your family is so proud of you! Love you to infinity and beyond, forever and ever!



**Lydia Marie Jones** of Asheboro, daughter of Dale Jones and Melissa Tuttle, is graduating with honors after twelve years from Agape' Christian Academy Homeschool.

Lydia plans to go into massage therapy and work as an entrepreneur. She loves the Lord and her family. Lydia's smile lights up a room, and she is loved by so many. She will go far in life and will carry the love of Jesus wherever she goes.



**Marshall Potter Kane**, daughter of Paul and Sabrina Kane of Cary, graduates after homeschooling for thirteen years. Marshall is an active member of Triangle

Rowing Club, his church, and works in retail part-time. Marshall has completed his Wake Tech Pathway to College program and plans to pursue his passion for sequential art by working as a freelance comic artist. He hopes to work for Marvel or DC Comics in the near future.

*Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.*

(Philippians 3:13-14)





**Lillian Grace Kirby**, daughter of Shane and Jen Kirby of Cary, is graduating with honors from Country Valley Academy. Lilli has also completed dual enrollment classes at

Wake Technical Community College and Campbell University. It has been a holy privilege to observe Lilli's remarkable faith as she completed confirmation at Resurrection Lutheran Church, her diligence while serving as sound tech for SEEK's Worship Band at Shepherd's Church, and her love of learning scripture through participation in TCBS Bible study at Macedonia Baptist Church. We cannot wait to see what God has in store for her while attending Campbell University on an academic scholarship in the fall of 2023 as a full-time student. She truly lives daily by Romans 12:2.



**Tyler Kissel**, son of Tyler and Sarah Kissel, graduates in Charlotte after five years of homeschooling. He has been dual enrolled at CPCC and will have forty

credits toward his AA and math transfer pathway. Tyler is still exploring where he wants to go for his bachelor's. He wants to be a statistician. Tyler is bold, strong, courageous, adventurous, logical, responsible, unwavering, understanding, helpful, kind, compassionate, and funny. He is passionate about playing guitar, cards, hanging out with friends, and his animals. We are so proud of you and all your hard work! We love you! Proverbs 4



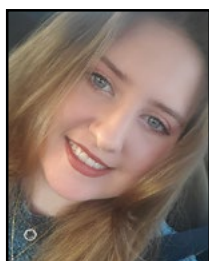
**Apsara Koneswaran**, daughter of Suresh and Lavanya and sister to Jaya of Greensboro, graduates summa cum laude and is a member of the National Homeschool Honor

Society. She is an accomplished pianist since age two and has qualified for state competitions seven times and placed first more than once. She has played harp since age seven and has been a part of the Greensboro Youth Symphony Orchestra and North

Carolina Harp Ensemble. She is part of the music ministry with preschoolers and senior adults at her church. She volunteers with Greensboro Pacesetters in the summers, Operation Christmas Child, and her brother's school, ECG. Several universities have offered generous scholarships, and she is praying for the Lord's wisdom. Isaiah 48:17



**Caelan "Buddy" Laing**, the son of Jon and Brittany Laing of Mebane, graduates after eight years of homeschooling. Buddy serves his community through volunteering at his church and is a volunteer firefighter with the Haw River Fire Department. After graduation, he will enroll in the Firefighter Cadet Training Program at ACC and continue fishing in his jon boat as often as possible. He is a blessing to his family, friends, and all who know him.



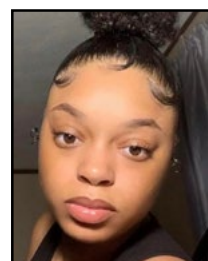
**Autumn Nicole Lambert**, daughter of Phil and Lisa Lambert of Clayton, is graduating from Lambert Christian Academy after homeschooling since birth.

In addition to academics, she played competitive volleyball on JCHE Jaguars from age ten through high school, served as Junior Marshal, and was on the JCHE Yearbook Committee. She also took voice lessons and participated in church youth group and praise band. Nicole enjoys singing, dancing, beach trips, and spending time with friends. She will continue taking online courses as she seeks the Lord's guidance. We love you and are so proud of you!



**Leah Kay Lamberth**, daughter of Shane and Mary Kay Lamberth of Statesville, will be graduating with honors. Homeschooled since kindergarten, she enjoyed ten years of cheerleading and eight years of gymnastics, where she competed in NC State games six of those years. She plans to attend MCC and study

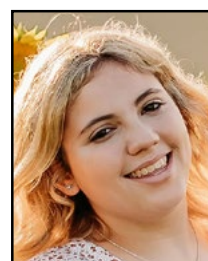
cosmetology. She is thankful for the family God has given her, especially her brother Luke. Her favorite Bible verse is John 3:16.



**Aaliyah Marie Lewis**, daughter of Ray and Latoya Lewis of Fayetteville, graduates after homeschooling for five years. She has completed all requirements with honors. She is very active. She enjoys going to the gym, reading, worship music, and spending time with family and friends. She is attending FTCC.



**Isaac McCabe Linton**, son of AJ and Suzanne Linton of Grantham, graduates with honors from Countryview Academy after homeschooling for thirteen years. Isaac is dual enrolled at Lenoir CC and is a member of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society. He has excelled in many areas of 4-H, where he is a 4-H Honor Club member, the National Turkey BBQ Champion, and a member of the NC Air Pistol team, competing at nationals this summer. Isaac enjoys woodworking, restoring old tools and tractors, camping, golfing, playing mandolin, working on the farm, and spending time with his family and dog. He plans to complete his associate's degree and then transfer to the University of Mount Olive for a degree in agbusiness. Much love to you, son! We are so proud of you!



**Bailee Mabe** is the daughter of Tim and Cynthia Mabe of King, NC. She graduates after twelve years of school. She will be going to Forsyth Tech in the fall.

*The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and discipline.*

(Proverbs 1:7)

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**Christina Isabel Maldonado**, daughter of Luis and Elyjanette Maldonado of Cameron, graduates after being home educated all her life. She loves listening

to audiobooks, drawing, and enjoys designing her own clothes. She will be attending SCC to pursue a degree in accounting with plans to establish her own business. Christina, we are very proud of you!



**Christian Anthony Marchese** is the son of Dr. Joseph and Mrs. Rhonda Marchese of Goldsboro. Christian demonstrated extraordinary talent and leadership abilities as a

homeschool student. He has served as a volunteer in numerous ministry settings, including church productions, small group leader, youth band (strings), youth leadership teams, concession stand sales, and outreach programs. He is a person of highest character and integrity. Christian's ability to connect with people of all ages is exceptional. He maintained a 3.7 GPA in high school. He has been awarded several merit-based scholarships. Christian has been accepted at the School of Music at Liberty University. We are so proud of him!



**Aimee Necole Margery Marsh**, daughter of Robert and Diana Marsh of Elizabeth City, graduates with honors after six years of homeschool. Aimee is an accomplished dancer and

basketball player. She loves being an active member of her church. She also enjoys drawing, music, traveling, theater, games, puzzles, and spending time with her family and friends. She plans to continue her education at C.O.A. Her life verses are Romans 8:28 and Mark 9:23.



**Tobias McClain**, son of Kevin and Brea McClain of Kernersville, graduates after homeschooling for twelve years. He is an Eagle Scout and enjoys working summers at Camp Raven

Knob. He has completed dual enrollment at Forsyth Technical College and plans to continue his studies there in the fall.



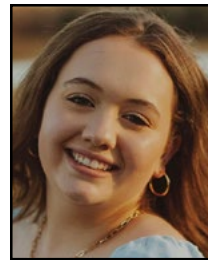
**McKenzie Lynn McLean**, daughter of Robert McLean and Teresa Sampson of Cameron, graduates after eight years at a charter school and homeschooling for four

years. McKenzie has worked part-time at a local pet store while finishing her studies, and because of her love for animals, she hopes to pursue a career as a vet tech after graduation. McKenzie has worked and studied hard, and her exceptional grades have reflected that effort. Her family is so proud of the young lady she has become, and we pray for God's blessing and direction in the next chapter of her life.



**Nicholas David Medina**, son of Gus and Laurie Medina of Locust, graduates with honors after homeschooling twelve years. In addition to his course work and

part-time employment, Nicholas attended dual enrollment at SCC where he achieved membership in the Honor Society and earned his associate's degree in business administration. He enjoys spending time with friends, Mustangs, and weightlifting. Nicholas is intelligent, hard-working, determined, and funny. He is full of potential and is exploring future career and college options. Congratulations Son! We love you and are so proud of you! Is. 41:10



**Mary Hannah Olivia Medlin**, daughter of Isaac and Melissa Medlin of Stokesdale, graduates after homeschooling her entire life. She enjoys working at Chick-fil-A,

cooking, baking, art, and spending time with friends. She has been dually enrolled at GTCC to study HVACR and will receive her A.A.S. degree next year. She plans to pursue a career in commercial HVAC and building automation.



**Hannah Caroline Mercier**, daughter of Frederick and Lisa Mercier of New Bern, graduates after thirteen years of homeschooling. She loves reading, making jewelry,

embroidery, cooking, baking, and traveling. She has enjoyed riding lessons for four years. She has had her own pet-sitting and babysitting business for over a year. She is active at church, loves the outdoors, and is dearly loved and cherished by her family. She will attend Craven CC.



**Elijah Solomon Metz**, son of Charlie and Jennifer Metz of Clayton, graduates with honors after twelve years of homeschooling. He is a member of the National Society of High

School Scholars, dual-enrolled at Wake Technical CC through Career and **College Promise**, a nine year student of musical theater, a faithful member of the Church at Clayton Crossings, a member of the student worship team, serves in children's ministry, and enjoys playing tennis. He has played piano for twelve years, earning proficiency awards three years in a row. He plans to attend WCU and pursue a degree in psychology.

*"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."*

(Jeremiah 29:11)





# Brianna Oresco

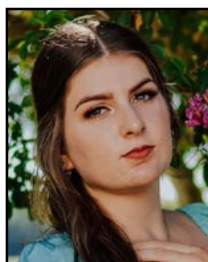


Congratulations Beautiful Girl! You have worked so hard and shown everyone that you are a force to be reckoned with! Your journey has never been easy, but you have never let the obstacles stop you from achieving your goals. We are in awe of the things your imagination has allowed you to create and excited by what more you will give to this world. Dream big and shape your Purpose! Love, Mom, Dad, Bella, and Lincoln



**Samuel Mathias Metz**, son of Charlie and Jennifer Metz of Clayton, NC, graduates with honors after twelve years of homeschooling. He is a member of the National

Society of High School Scholars, dual-enrolled at Wake Technical Community College through Career and College Promise, a nine year student of musical theater, a faithful member of the Church at Clayton Crossings, serves in children's ministry, and enjoys playing tennis. He has played piano for twelve years, earning proficiency awards three years in a row. He plans to attend Western Carolina and pursue his degree in stage and screen.



**Rhiannon Ainsley Morrison**, daughter of Mark and Joy of Goldsboro, graduates after homeschooling K-12. Since an early age, she has had a passion for dancing, competing all over NC. She loves spending time with friends, family, and above all, being an active voice for Jesus. Rhiannon has accepted a position teaching dance and will be attending Wayne Community. Always follow the Lord's guidance, and you will flourish. We love you!



**Chaya Nichols** is graduating from K-twelve homeschool! Mike and Natasha are proud of the rich character, work ethic, and disposition Christ has instilled in our beautiful young lady. She formed a youth theater, volunteered at a pregnancy center thrift store, worked with Child

Evangelism Fellowship, and is pursuing her certified nursing assistant certification. Her humility and love for the Word of God continue to inspire us. We love you, Doodles!



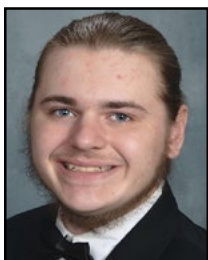
**Joshua Nichols** is graduating from K-twelve homeschool! Mike and Natasha Nichols enjoy our young man's honesty, humor, and creativity expressed in his tremendous artistic ability and engineering mindset. His joy of horsemanship, basketball, and cooking, as well as his experiences in Junior ROTC and welding, have fed his adventurous spirit. He has demonstrated keen insight into God's Word and a sincere desire to know Jesus more. We love you, Son!





**Joshua Anthony Noble**, son of Ridge and Dorina Noble of Fuquay-Varina, graduates with honors from Southwest Wake Academy of Learning after nine years of

homeschooling. He has engaged in dual enrollment at WTCC and has earned credits toward his AA. He is interested in a career in filmmaking and video editing and has taken several courses in this field. Joshua also has a passion for martial arts obtaining a Second Degree Black Belt in Tang Soo Do and years of study in Hapkido. He now teaches part-time as he continues his studies in martial arts.



**Zachary Kohl O'Brien** of Rockingham, son of Wendy and George O'Brien, graduates after completing six years of homeschooling. He will attend college in the fall

and pursue a degree in welding, auto mechanics, or criminal justice. He has enjoyed Boy Scouts, sports, hunting, fishing, and boating through the years. Zack also has a great passion for automobiles and loves spending time with family and friends.



**Reign O'Daniel**, daughter of Robyn Hudson of Charlotte and Ransey O'Daniel, graduates after homeschooling for six years. She has done well academically while

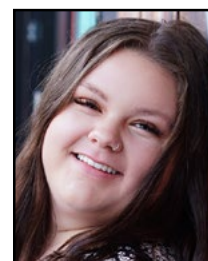
working a part-time job and taking initiative at home. Reign enjoys family time, writing, music, and singing. She performed at Carnegie Hall, the Washington National Cathedral, and the Duke Chapel while she was a member of a regional youth choir. She also earned a certificate in personalized medicine: customizing care through genetics from the University of Rochester. Reign loves God and is excited about His plans for her life. She desires to pursue a career in medicine and to help bring healing to others in their spirits, minds, and bodies. We are so proud of you, Reign! Jer. 29:11.



**Brianna D'Lee Orosco**, daughter of Gilbert and Brittany Orosco of Moyock, graduates after twelve years of homeschooling. She will receive her AFA from the

College of The Albemarle in conjunction with her high school diploma before heading to UNC Asheville this fall. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and has earned the Bronze, Silver, and Gold awards for her community work with the Girl Scouts of Colonial Coast. She serves on the Conservation Youth Team

at the Virginia Zoo in Norfolk, and her artwork has been displayed at museums and festivals. Her goal is to become a stop-motion concept artist.



**Faith Owens**, daughter of Erica Alexander and Johnathan Owens of Mount Airy, graduates after homeschooling ten years. Throughout the years, she has been active in youth

group at Awake Church, participated in volunteer work at Arbor Acres, participated in 4-H, and ran a business in pet care. She enjoys shopping, hanging with friends, spending time with family, and working with plants. Faith has a heart of gold and aspires to help care for people, working with others to make their quality of life better. Her main focus is a career as a 911 dispatcher or working within healthcare.



**Bradley Malone Pace**, son of Kevin and Karen Pace, graduates with honors at the age of fifteen after twelve years homeschooling at Pace Pathway. With

God by his side, he enjoys basketball, cooking, designing, building, animals, and Star Wars. Eager for knowledge, he is learning the cello, violin, guitar, and bass guitar and is on the youth worship team. He plans to continue being a camp counselor, wrangler, and kid's ministry volunteer. Psalm 23:4

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**Victoria Elizabeth Pace**, daughter of Kevin and Karen Pace, graduates with honors after twelve years homeschooling at Pace Pathway. Loving music, she is on the

worship team and plays violin and guitar. Ready for adventure, she enjoys traveling, camping, board games, movies, and sports. She plans to pursue her education to fulfill her God-given calling as a youth pastor while continuing to serve in kid's ministry and as a camp counselor. John 3:16



**Anna Elizabeth Parks**, daughter of Jon and Melinda Parks of Wendell, graduates after homeschooling twelve years. Anna enjoys her work as a counselor for

New Life Camp in Raleigh, as well as her leadership role in American Heritage Girls. She coaches younger girls in Upward Cheering and sings with the praise team at her church. She enjoys playing the piano, hanging with her siblings, reading a good book, and fleshing out her latest story. She is excited to begin her journey as an author through the Author Conservatory after graduation, as she uses writing to glorify God.



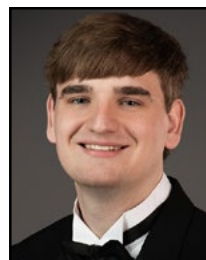
**Kennedy Mikal Payne** is the daughter of Phillip and Traci Payne of Hope Mills, North Carolina. Kennedy graduates after being homeschooled for five years. Kennedy has

been a dancer since the age of three, and she also plays soccer with The Fayetteville Crusaders. Kennedy is also active at church. She attends youth at Stoney Point Baptist and is a part of Campus Life through Youth in Action, where she reaches out to middle school students through the word. Kennedy will be attending Meredith College in Raleigh, North Carolina in the fall, majoring in dance with a minor in entrepreneurship.



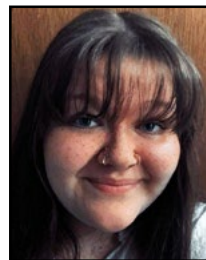
**Lily Nicole Privette**, daughter of Jason and Kerrie Privette of Statesville, graduates after homeschooling since kindergarten. Lily loves music and is a talented

pianist and vocalist, having won several awards and scholarships. She loves all styles of dance and has competed since the age of five. Currently, she is helping teach preschool classes. Lily loves reading, designing jewelry, and Marvel! She plans to travel a bit and also continue her education at MCC. We are so proud of her accomplishments! Let your light so shine before men . . . and glorify your Father which is in heaven. Matthew 5:16



**Caleb Ryan Pulliam**, son of Doug and Cathy Pulliam of Timberlake, graduates with honors after homeschooling since kindergarten. He is enrolled in the CCP

program at PCC and plans to continue there to complete an associate in mechatronics engineering technology. He has taken piano since age eight, participated in Boy Scouts, and is active in his local church. Caleb has a great sense of humor and states he "enjoys sleeping and eating daily!" He loves historical documentaries, fishing, hiking, hunting, gardening, and helping on the farm. We are very proud of him and blessed to have him as our son.



**Zoe Beth Ratcliff**, daughter of Joseph and Valaurie Ratcliff of Pantego, graduates after homeschooling nine years. Her passion is baking and cooking. She has excelled

in this field of study, started a business, and worked in catering. She plans on going to culinary school to pursue a career in the culinary arts, then to open her own bakery one day soon. We are so proud! She is trusting God to lead and guide her future. Psalm 37:24; Esther 4:14

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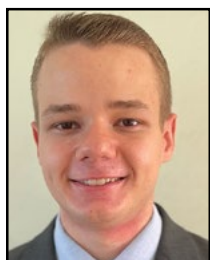
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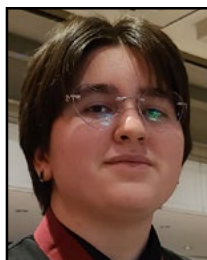
**Caleb Austin Rayfield**, son of Kipp and Jeana Rayfield of Cherryville, graduates after homeschooling for thirteen years. He has faithfully participated in

his family's mission work in Brazil. He speaks Portuguese and enjoys playing the guitar, singing, automotive repair, fishing, and spending time with family and friends. Following graduation Caleb plans to pursue a degree in theological studies. He is a wonderful blessing to his family. Matt. 6:33



**Colson Reed**, son of Jonathan and Sarah Reed of Fleetwood, graduates with honors after thirteen years of homeschooling. Colson completes his education with Classical

Conversations. In high school, he enjoyed Gavel Club, guitar, weight lifting, and hiking. He plans to pursue a degree in business administration at Montreat College as an Honors Program student. We love you and are so proud of you! Ephesians 3:14-19



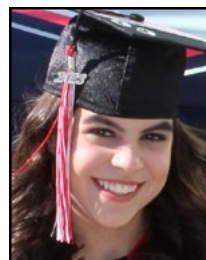
**Ashlyn Eve Shehan**, daughter of David and Teresa Shehan, graduates after homeschooling for nine years. Ashlyn has done an exceptional job. Her hard work has earned her

top grades and awards. She plans on attending a local college, either Queens University or UNCC. She has scholarship offers and plans on entering the medical field in the future. Ashlyn, we could not be prouder of you and love you so much. Way to go, Ash! Dad, Mom, and Ariel.



**Landen Paul Shockey**, son of Jonathan and Joy Shockey, graduates after homeschooling since birth. He also studied at Ramstein HS in Germany and Grace Christian in

Sanford. Landen played on the Department of Defense Europe Championship-winning soccer team then earned all-conference and MVP honors at Grace. He sang in an award-winning quartet and excelled at competitive debate. Landen plans to attend college then pursue a career in finance.



**Morgann Faith Silence**, daughter of Wayne and Dianna Silence of Jacksonville, completes thirteen years of her homeschool education graduating with honors.

She has enhanced her high school experience with church activities, music, athletics, volunteer work, and part-time employment. God is the cornerstone of all that has been accomplished. Morgann has been dual-enrolled at Coastal Carolina Community College this senior year, working toward her associate of science. Additionally, she plans on transferring to UNC Wilmington for a bachelor's degree in film studies as well as minors in Spanish and marketing. Her goal is to work in video production for a major sports team. She is a *huge* CANES fan.

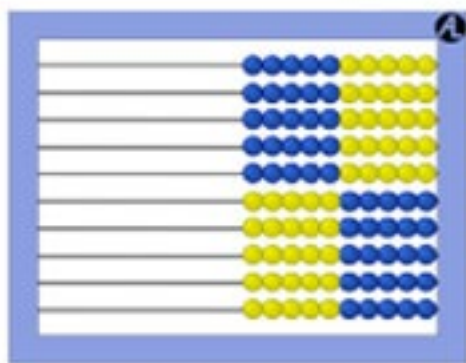


**Joshua Sloan**, son of John and Amy Sloan, graduates from thirteen years of homeschooling with fifty-three college credits and the start of an epic theology library.

In addition to studies, he has worked part-time at Chick-fil-A; volunteered at church; enjoyed baseball, disc golf, and chess; and read all of Tolkien multiple times. Joshua is the favorite oldest brother to four younger siblings. His chief end is to glorify God and enjoy Him forever.

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;  
in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.*

(Proverbs 3:5-6)



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**Chase Andrew Snyder**, son of Christopher and Carla Snyder, graduates after three years of homeschool. He loves his job and his dogs most! When he's not working

at the rink, he's playing hockey, creating music or art, or gaming with friends. He looks forward to attending college in pursuit of the next chapter in life. Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established. Proverbs 16:3



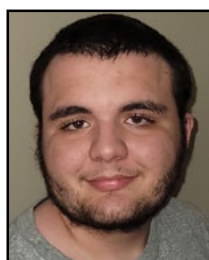
**Sean Elbert Spencer II**, son of Sean and Tina Spencer of Winterville, graduates from Trinshaw Academy after twelve years of homeschooling. He excels in computer science

and history. Sean is a gifted drummer, guitarist, and artist. He also enjoys playing basketball. He is a deep thinker with a laid-back personality. Sean is exploring his career path of unlimited options.



**Aaron Matthew Sperling**, of Smithfield, graduates in May from Southeastern Christian Academy after homeschooling thirteen years. Aaron is an avid

outdoorsman who loves hunting and fishing. He is active in his church youth group, plays GBI baseball, and currently, participates in dual enrollment at JCC in the Career and College Promise program. Aaron will attend Appalachian State University to pursue a degree in wildlife biology.



**Tristan Lyle Stephens**, son of Jon Stephens and Marsha Puckett Stephens of Drexel, graduates after homeschooling for three years. He is an avid reader

and is passionate about history. Tristan volunteers at local food banks and the humane society. He enjoys playing video games with his brother, Zander, and hanging out with his dog, TJ. He plans

on attending community college. He is looking forward to exploring multiple pathways to craft a career that is uniquely his. He wants to explore the world and is eager to travel. Tristan has a big heart, a big smile, and a bright future ahead of him.



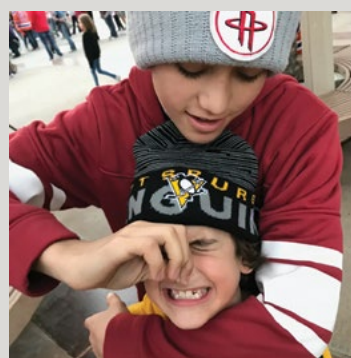
**Julia Grace Stepp**, daughter of Kevin and Jennifer Stepp of Gastonia, graduates after homeschooling for thirteen years. She is currently studying

foundations of biotechnology and working towards her associate of arts at Gaston College. She has been dancing since she was three and has had several lead roles in ballets and modern dance productions. She has also performed in musical theater. She has worked for the Gastonia Honey Hunters baseball team the last two summers. After graduation, she plans to continue her education at Gaston College and enter a medical assistant program.

# CHASE SNYDER



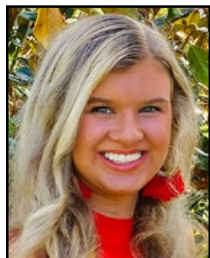
Chase, may you always follow the path you were created for. We're so proud of your accomplishments and look forward to what God has planned for your future. Thankful for the son and brother you are to us. We love you.  
Dad, Mom, Thalía, Trevor, Cellie, and Clutch







**Adam Thomas Sultan**, son of Aaron and Cheryl Sultan of Rolesville, graduates after homeschooling for thirteen years. He has been active in church choir, cross country, track and field, football, and speech club, and he has earned the rank of Eagle Scout. His passion is landscaping, and he has owned ATS Landscaping for the last five years. He attended Vance-Granville CC during high school and is planning to complete his AA next year.

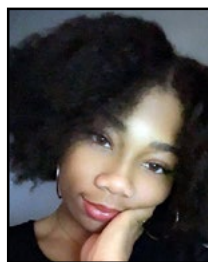


**Hannah Brooke Tessinear** is the daughter of Jessica and the late Keith Tessinear of Wendell. As a dual-enrolled student, Hannah graduates with honors, earning her high school diploma and associate of arts degree in education. Throughout high school, Hannah has served as a volunteer in community and school service projects. As a member of various student clubs, Hannah has had the opportunity to build community while learning.

She enjoys photography, creative design, tennis and has participated in extracurricular endeavors including dance, art, piano, and cheer. Hannah is planning to pursue a degree in elementary education beginning in August. Her favorite Bible verse is Jeremiah 29:11.

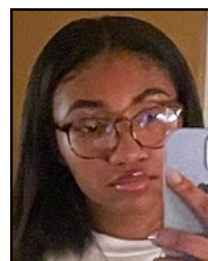


**Tiarrah Thomason**, daughter of Tommy and Sharon Thomason of Goldsboro, graduates after homeschooling for nine years. She is the youngest of four. Tiarrah is an energetic young lady who loves her family and animals. Tiarrah struggles with dyslexia and thought this day would never come. However, she was determined to complete the twelfth grade. She volunteers at the local animal shelter. Tiarrah wants to go to college to become a veterinarian.



**Nina Tomlinson**, daughter of Angela Cooke and Richard Tomlinson, graduates after two years of homeschooling. Her mindset is that she can do all things

through Christ, who strengthens her! She is an orator, artist, and upcoming nail salon owner. She is a young minister of the gospel and embraces all that the Lord has for her. She has a heart to teach, a heart to give, and a heart to motivate others. We all love you! Congratulations "Bean!"



**Myrical Deniece Tucker**, daughter of Tracie Tucker and Daniel Irvin, Sr., graduates after seven years of homeschooling. Myrical is kind, loving, respectful, and strong-minded with a heart of compassion. She enjoys drawing, horseback riding, and loves animals. Through hard work and determination, Myrical works full-time and is graduating a year early with honors. Her future plan is a career in the Air Force as a mental health provider. Pumpkin, we are so proud of you and even more grateful to God for giving us you as our daughter. Continue to pray, God will always be there for you. We love you!

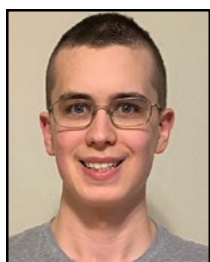
# Hannah Brooke Tessinear

## *Class of 2023*



# Jeremiah 29:11





**Matthew Michael Webb**, son of Stephen and Lynn Webb of Granite Falls, graduates after homeschooling for thirteen years. Matthew is a committed follower

of Jesus Christ. He enjoys the outdoors, especially backpacking and hiking. He is a very dedicated worker in the family business. Matthew will continue his studies at community college. Matthew is an amazing man, an incredible blessing to his family, and we are so proud of him!



**Joy Noel Weeks**, daughter of Jimmy and Paige Weeks of Rocky Mount, graduates with honors after homeschooling for thirteen years. Outside of studying, Joy enjoys working,

fellowshipping, and ministering with her church, and spending time with friends and family. She is a blessing to us, and we look forward to what God has in store for her. She plans to study business in the fall at NCSU.



**Rebecca Carol Werner**, daughter of Michael and Kristen Werner of Winston-Salem, graduates after homeschooling for four years. She has dual enrolled

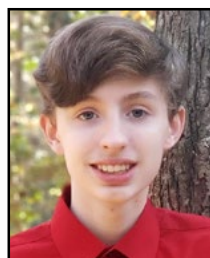
this past year at Guilford Technical Community College and plans to continue after graduating to pursue a future in the dental field. Rebecca loves to see people smile and will do whatever it takes to achieve that. Philippians 4:13 We are very proud of you, Rebecca!



**Emma Grayce Whitley-Anderson**, daughter of Pete Anderson and Melinda Whitley of Clayton, graduates with honors after eight years of homeschooling. Emma finds

great joy and inspiration in music, poetry, sketching, and spending time with family and pets. She is passionate about literature, both classic and modern, and has

an impressive collection of books. After graduation, Emma aspires to pursue a career in creative writing. She is currently working on a fantasy novel and plans to finish it in the near future. She dreams of becoming a published author and New York Times Bestseller. "It isn't what we say or think that defines us, but what we do." Jane Austen; "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13



**Cole Alexander Williams**, son of Edwin and Connie Williams of Goldsboro, graduates with honors after seven years of homeschool. Cole is dual enrolled at WCC with a

4.0 GPA and was inducted into Phi Theta Kappa. In addition to his academics, Cole has engaged in youth theatre for nine years, performing in over twenty productions. He has studied voice, acting, and tap dance. After graduation, Cole will attend Regent University to study theatre.



**Tyler Bryce Williams**, son of Edwin and Connie Williams of Goldsboro, graduates with honors after seven years of homeschool. He is dual enrolled at WCC with a

4.0 GPA and was inducted into Phi Theta Kappa. In addition to his academics, Tyler has participated in varsity soccer, Shotokan karate, attended the Air Force Teen Leadership Summit, and works part-time. After graduation, Tyler will attend Regent University to study biophysical science.



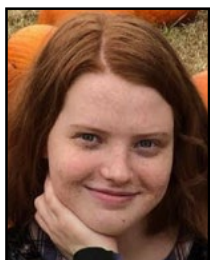
**Promise Shaomei Wilson**, daughter of Andrew and Heather Wilson of Apex, graduates after homeschooling K-twelve. Promise enjoys playing piano with

worship teams for church and co-op, cooking, and spending time with family and friends. She manages at Culver's, where she's worked for three years. Promise earned 44.5 credits through dual enrollment at CCCC and will pursue a business degree to prepare for the entrepreneurial adventures God has planned.



**Hunter Blayde Womack**, son of Nikki and Charlie Womack of Oxford, graduates from Womack Christian Academy after thirteen years. Hunter has

enjoyed over the years playing basketball, baseball, and especially ATV riding. He is an avid gamer. He has a heart for those he loves. He loves the Lord and is a man of integrity. You are a wonderful son, and we are so proud of you! We pray the Lord blesses your life.



**Kayla Ann Womack**, daughter of Nikki and Charlie Womack of Oxford, graduates from Womack Christian Academy after thirteen years. She has

earned multiple medals in gymnastics over her ten years of competition. She was platinum level and placed first at qualifiers for states for NC. She is learning piano and excels the most at art. You are a wonderful daughter, and we are so proud of you! We pray the Lord blesses your life.



**Amelia Jean Wright**, daughter of Steve and Jennifer Wright of Charlotte, graduates after thirteen years of homeschooling. Amelia is active in her church and has been a

member of a competitive homeschool cheer team for four years. She is currently writing a novel and plans to major in creative writing at Montreat College.



**Joshua Yamashita**, son of Darryl and Carrie Yamashita of Lewisville, graduates in May after twelve years of homeschooling. He

competed on the FHE Varsity swim team for four years (captain, senior year), leads Forsyth SFL as the president, and is active in community and church service. He enjoys playing tennis, guitar, and hiking. Joshua is unsure of his plans for the future but will be pursuing more involvement in the pro-life movement.



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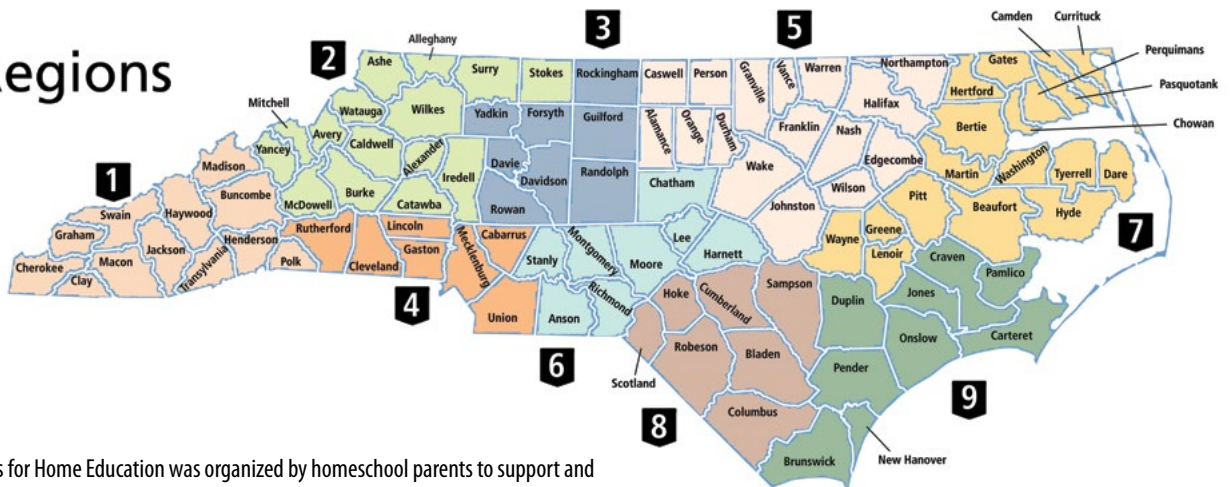
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