Curtis High Honors the 2022 Graduating Class

A GREAT CELEBRATION IN VIKING STADIUM FOR THE CLASS OF 2022.
Student Message
Presented by Eric Casey, Senior

“Each and every one of you in those seats has done the work, even when you didn’t want to, and that’s why as Mr. Adams loves to brag about, and rightfully so, we are the best public high school in Pierce County. And we deserve that, you deserve to sit in that seat, at this graduation and think about how excellent you and everyone around you is. Excellence is one part of Viking Pride, our moral code at Curtis. Excellence means doing the small things for a bigger goal.”

From the Faculty
Presented by Mrs. Jennifer Hunt, Spanish Teacher

“You continued your high school experience during a pandemic—the first class who lived through a pandemic all three years. You learned that you don’t always get what you want or expect. You learned that you get what you get and you continue on anyway. You learned resilience. You learned early in life that hard things happen, that you will learn from them and recover. You should be very proud of yourselves for being here right now.”
Recognizing the Best!

A Message from Tom Adams, Curtis High School Principal

“Tonight we recognize and celebrate 418 members of the diverse, talented, and accomplished class of 2022. Our graduates represent an elite group of students. They are among the very best in our state in academics, athletics, performing arts, and in service to their community. This is exemplified this year by our recognition as the Best Comprehensive Public High School in Pierce County, the Best High School in the South Puget Sound and as a Washington State STEM School of Distinction.”
2022 Curtis Graduates

Heleina Falelotu Ah-Loe
Sereen Nasser Ahmed
Btool Ahmed Ahsan Alarasi
Eman Ahmed Ahsan Alarasi
Jacob Allen Albers (*)
Laney Katherine Alexander (*)
Emily Rae Aliment
Queen Angel De Shon
Allain-Pendergrass (*) (**) 
Faith Isabella Allen (**)
Katherine Iselieu Allen (**)
Maya Esmeralda Anaya
Kaiden Wayne Andreasen
Samantha Lee Andry
Philip Aragon (*)
Abigail Cosio Argel (*) (**) 
Justice Alleene Atchison
Ryan Marc Atterberry
Ronnel Austin-Newton
Brayden Tyler Baker (*) (**) 
Fay Duchamps Balerino
Lian Breechyley Quitay Banal (**)
Parker Joseph Barkus
Andrew Christopher Barto
Preston Michael Bateman (**)
Kaylee Jo Bauml (*)
Erica Bejar Zambrano
Jasmine Nicole Belin (**)
Angel Bell
Gabriella Hayden Bellin (**)
Jaxon Kalani Bertram
Amanda Kaitlyn Bertucci (*) (**) 
Phebe-Anna I. Beschier (*)
Braden Parker Betteridge (**)
Hayleigh Anne Beverley
Aidan James Bibby
Andrew Eldridge Bishop (**) 
Clara Noel Blakeley (*) (**)
Kaden Lee Blue
Meryky Anneliese Blunt
Andrew Thomas Bostwick
Jack-Jovanni Hughes Boyle
Ryan Philip Brady (**)
Braden Lloyd Brooker (*) (**)
Kaitlyn Mae Brooks (*) (**)
Benjamin Mark Brown
Tyler Martin Brown (**) 
Lalik Lee Buggs
Emma Elizabeth Butler (*) (**) 
Jashia Karine Calderon Torres
Antrum Ja-Henri Quavante Calhoen
Kassidy Elizabeth Callkins
Ellie Catherine Call
Emily Marie Carroll
Aliyah Eliza Carter
Eric James Casey (**) 
Cassidy Samantha Casillas
Marina Castro Escobedo (**) 
Annabelle Eumme Chang (**) 
Edward Holmut Chapman
Isabelle Marie Chaves (**)
Sean Patrick Chavez-DeGray
Yenan Chen (**) 
Diana Helen Chernov (**) 
Fareed Choubabi
Marcus Leon Christian
Daniel Sergey Chubari
Autumn Marie Clark
Allen Paul Cobb
Page Campbell Cochran (*)
Lauren Autumn Colberg
Daniel Berbano Constantino
Ava Ann Corona (**)
Nicholas Noel Cortes
Rogelio Mateo Cortes
Nolan Earl Cosme (**)
John Robert Cotter...
Keizhi Jhwell Crittenden
Ethan Douglas Crowell
Abby Eng Cui (**) 
Isabella Ruth Cunningham
Tina Thuy-Trinh Dao (**) 
Haylee Rae Davidson (**)
Amber Camille Davison (**)
Katryna Christine De Bord
Kaitlyn Marie Dela Rosa (**) 
Jacob Paul DeLeon (**)
Philip James DeLeon (**) 
Evan Nathaniel Delp
Kaila Lynn DeMaio (*)
Joseph Vincent DePalmia
Kekoa Marc Dilay (**) (**)
Olivia Rosalea Dobosz (**) (**) 
Ashton James Dobson
Shae Lillian Dolan (**) 
Kalea Norein Doss
Asya Renee Doty (**) 
Nyomi Angelique Douglas (**) 
Kathleen Meg Dovefrane (**) 
Marilynn Sacha Duefrane
Andrew Nguyen Duong
Peyton Lambert Durand
Tristin Lee Eargle
Rory Martin Edmond
Sherah Carolyn Edmon
Salma El Ghaelmi (**) (**) 
Cole Elliott (**) 
Actavius Malek Ellis
Isaac Tremaine Emanuel
Mer Emmanuel
Bradley Mitchell Emrick-Criss
Thomas Samuel Endicott (**) (**) 
Avery Martin Englert
Andrew Jarell Escalante
Austin Dante Escalante
Olivia Elizabeth Estes (**) (**) 
Monique Collette Evans (**) (**) 
Karl Thomas Falskow (**) 
Faith Elena Jeannet Fast
Payton Rianna Ferguson (**) 
Erin May Forrest (**) 
Cooper Douglas Franklin
Rashard David Franklin
Wolfe Rian Joseph Frederick
Madison Grace Frier
Aaron John Fukai
Kenna Jo Fukai
Tatyanalasha Funkhouser
Lacey Faye Gaddis (**) (**) 
Hunter Cole Gary
Diego Michael Garza (*)
Hazel K Ann Gaspaire
Lynnea Kayin Gerecke
Yovinsola Adeola Gesinde (**) (**) 
Alexandra Christie Ginnis
Samanthtara Rae Golden
Kaitlyn Elizabeth Goodnight
Daniel Joseph Greer
Hailey Linda Grimsey
Justin Ramsey Grondin
Kelley Lee Groves (**) (**) 
Kennedy Reese Gutierrez (**) 
Aliazhia Keymoni Jayad Hall
Olivia Grace Haller
Annelise Hamer
Alexander William Hamilton
Tanner Alexander Harding (**) (**) 
Elleah Harris
Nicholas J. Harrison
Melissa Dam Harvey (**) (**)
Grace Mazuran Haueisen (**) 
Camille Noelle Hayden (**)
Jaeger Allen Hayden
Jonathan Ram Headrick
Susana Isabel Hemmings (**) 
Madelyn Kate Henderson
Sofia Petrice Herrera
Stephen James Hickman
Anneliese Lily Mary Higgins (**) (**) 
Quinn Fitzpatrick Honan
Eva Mei Ling Howard (**)
Isaiah James Hsu
Grace Katharina Hudson (**)
Bryan Quang Huynh
Rico Ruben Ibarra
Denzel Christopher James
Hojin Jang (**)
Yewon Jang
Matthew Paul Janicki (**) 
Madison Marie Jefferson (*)
Geovanie Xavier Iwoa Johnston
Julia Marie Johnson (**) 
Luke Carter Johnson (**) 
Shawn Robert Johnson
D’Andre Jelani-Xavier Jones (**) (**)
Jamisen Amaiyah Jones (**) 
Jayden Arionna Jones
Terry Xavier Jones
Jaylin Marie Jose (**)
Haddassah Suha Jun (*)
Claire Elise Kachmarek (**) (**) 
Crosst Kitchen-Son
Ella Grace Kelley (*)
Kathryn Erin Kelly (**) 
Sebastian James Kelzenberg (**)
Colton Kent
Patrick Steven Keough (**) 
Christopher David Keown (**)
Arthur Soobin Kim (**) 
Heejun Kim
Minkyu Paul Kim (**)
Makenna Brady Kirk (**) 
Abigail Janet Klein
Lela Anne Knittel
Jenny SuniWoo Ko (**)
Scoot Benjamin Koch
Manpreet Singh Kochhar (**)
Kaylee Christina Kocott (**) 
Tristan Maxwell Koop (**)
Savannah Mali Krieger
Gabriel Ericson Jarri Kuhnau
Eric Gordon Kwon (**) 
Eugene Kwon (**)
Logan Alexander Kwon (**)
Mattheo Reasemy Lam
Malcolm Seamus Lanksbury
Elizabeth Anne Lansen (**)
Ainsley Elizabeth Lawrence
Angelia Tran Le (**)
Ye Jin Lee (**)
Bea Lessard (**) (**)
Naueta Madelyn Leuma
Leslie Lezama-Avendano
Emma Faith Lim
Diego Aman Lopez (**)
Nicholas Nazario Paul Lopez
Kaylee Elizabeth Lorain
Mckenna Nycole Lorain
Barbara Catherine Loso
Jake Ross Lowery
Anastasia Loxinscaia
Arianna Elizabeth Luevano (**) 
Thomas David Luke
Miranda Alecia Lukinov (**) (**)
Tamara Marie Lukudu (**) 
Bryan C. Sanchez Madrid (**)
Michael Albert Mady
Colby Michael Mahan
Job Well Done!

Emma-Elizabeth Polina Majoch
Rachel Marie Marin (*) (**)
Monsseratt V. Marquez
Gabriel Zion Martin
Isiana Paola Martinez (*) (**) 
Logan James Martinsky
Malaya Money Matthews
Zachary Isaiah Matthews
Richard Jerrold Mays
Julia Rose McCormack (*)
Nia Camille McCoy (*) (**)
Ariah Capri McDermott
Peter Boone McDonald (*)
Rebekka McDougall (*)
Jonathan Dean McEachern
Tori Elizabeth McGill (*)
Joseph Curtis McNelly, Jr. (*)
Mason Alexander McKenzie
Dwayne Mckinney
Abigail Catherine McMillan
Bren Merrill Meade
Abraham Isaac Medal
Leslie Joann Medal
Simon Kent Meili (*)
Sophia Natalie Melinchuk (*)
Alexander Arness Meden
Sophia Edita Mikryukova
Jaxon Randall Miller (*) (**)
Jesse Ramon Milligan
Colby James Minniti (*)
Paul Angelo Montague
Abigail Lily Xayun Montopol (*) (**)
Mila Isabel Montoya (*) (**)
Jasmine Re-ne Moore
Bryson Michael Morrison
Corbyn Jaynz David Mulvey
Luke Bryan Murdoch
Blessings Wairimu Mwago
Ronnie Patrick Mwangi
Iyesha Petrina Narayan (*) (**)
Hatem Mohamed Nassar
Caleb James Negrete
Tysen Patrick Ngaya
Alex Hieu Nguyen
Amanda Lien Nguyen
Cathy Ton Nguyen
Claire Marine Nguyen (*) (**)
Patrick Duc-Xuan Nguyen
Vincent Viet Nguyen (*)
Whitney Ann Nguyen (*)
Mia Monique Morita Nichols (**)
Malakai Nielsen-Maxfield
Seunggeon Noh (*)
Alanis Mariol Nolasco
Mario Santino Nordi (*)
Brigham Eric Novak (*)
Farron Nunez
Andrew Onsare Nyangweso
William Yong O'Neal (*)
Sophia Annette Ochs (*) (**)
Jenna Jihael Oh (*)
Finn Ezekiel Olson
Marianna Esperanza Oroso
Abigail Sara Ost
Nathan Alfred Oswald (*) (**)
Asia Michelle Owens
Darian Ricardo Owens
Samuel Thomas Packard
Shelby Ann Parham (*)
Soh Yeon Park
Maliyah Marie Parker-Montgomery
Stella Patterson
Mario Tropiano Paua
Carson Alexander Peila
Daniel Taitano Pena
Alana Elizabeth Penamante
Ja'shon Lorenz Pennick
Daniel Yuryevich Petrenko
Ariana Millena Pinedo
Savannah Patrice Pitsch
Carson Robert Poirier (**)
Vitaly Poroembusky
Cooper Irene Posada (*) (**)
Alli Lina-May Potter-Schrepper (**)
Juliana Elizabeth Preciado (*) (**)
Kathryn Grace Pubols
Hudson Thomas Pucilicchio
Muhammad Tayyib Abdul Rahman (**)
Thea Frances Yumang Ramirez (**)
Abbey Lynn Randall (**)
Vashiti Saral Randolph
Fatimah Redford
Raquel Morgan Redhair
Xavier Marcelous Reese
Berndt William Reitan
Aymel Reyes
A’Jahlel Lynn Rieder
Corissa Ann Rigdon
Katelyn Rose Riggins (*) (**)
Jeovante Rimirch
Ethan Pierre Riopel
Ariana Nicole Rivera
Joshua Marion Rivera
Jack Michael Roberts
Lilah Marie Rodriguez
Louis Paul Robinson Rowley (**)
Evan Seth Salcedo
Susannah Catherine Salcedo
Garett Michael Ray Saltwick
Lyanna R. Samaniego
Bryan C Sanchez Madrid
Jonathan Andrew Sanchez Madrid
Christopher Samuel Sandusky
Maxim Serafinovici (*) (**)
Amjad Rafik Shabhin
Hilary Mya Sharp (*) (**)
Kalan Steven Shelly
Logan Michael Shew
Brandon Alexander Shifflet
Jerrin Blaine Shirs (*)
Olivia Paris Shortencarrier
Cameron Anthony Brougha Shows
Xander Michael Sieverson (*)
Romero Carmelo Jean Silva
Claudia Jean Silverthorn
Jasjit Singh
Christina Situ (**)
Logan William Sjolin
Jordyn Joanne Smith
Terry Louis Smith
Kiaate Nicole Sober-Smith
Michelle Jihea Soo (*) (**)
Shanna Angela Villareal Somera (**)
Issac Andrew Sotomayor
Troy Dean Souza Jr.
Samuel John Spina
Hayden Thomas Springer (**)
Quinn William Stauffacher
Ava Lisette Stefaniak (**)
Luke David Stewart (**)
Paja Lee Leialoha Stewart
Benjamin Michael Strupinski (**)
Jack Andre Swarner
Ivan Ivanovich Tekmenzh
Samantha Terrones (**)
Jayden Marquis Thomas
Laylah Victoria Thomas
Lindsay Ann Thomas (*) (**)
Zachary David Thomas
Robert Alton Thompson
Conner Jacob Tichy
Alec Joseph Torres (*)
Nathan Michael Tower
Angela Tu-uyen Tran
Henry Quinn Tran
Kenny Hien Trinh (**)
Amarya Marie Elizabeth Turpen (*)
Kaylin Christine Tutton (*)
Diego Uriarte
Mario Antonio Valencia Velasquez
Elizabeth Jolayne Van Valkenburg (**)
Codey James Villalobos
Chloe Nicole Wacker (*)
Ava Grace Wagner
Olivia Grace Thuy Wahlund
Salma Wairimu (*)
Yumi Wanjiku Wahaba
Christopher Martin Walz (**)
Christopher Heng Wang
Bo Allan Warner (*)
Tyler Scott Warren
Colin Bunthoy Watson (**)
Mel Weber
Arianna Janette Webster
Chailia Faith Wendland
Sarah Lanette Werner (**)
Zyden Wessells
Riley Patrick West
Jacob Oliver White (**)
Carla Herrera Whitman
Kaitlyn Christine Whitney
Alicia Marianna Whitten (*)
Taylor Grace Wicks (**)
Cassie Sophia Wight (**)
Katherine L. Wilger
Preston Wille (**)
Asha Lou Williams
Kells Renee Williams (**)
Trent Everett Williams
Kym Marie Wilson
Michael Tyrik Wilson
Janice Jiyoon Won (**)
Alexander Paul Wood
Madison Marie Woodall
Hannah Sue Worley
Brandon Matthew Worrell
Jason Tianning Wu (*) (**)
Allyson Michele Ybarra
Joel Eun Yi (**)
Seth Bryan Yorke
Joshua Andrew Young
Chase Michael Yurina
Sycana Capreese Zaid
Gabriel Alan Zink-Beach
Elizaveta Zuyeva

( *) Running start students having earned their Associate's Degree in addition to their high school diploma
( **) Students qualify by earning a seven semester cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or above
Scholarship & Award

Heleina Ah-Loe
Coplin State University Softball Scholarship

Erica Bejar Zambrano
Rotary Club of University Place - Fircrest Scholarship

Braden Brooker
Pacific Lutheran University Academic Merit Scholarship and Alumni Referral Scholarship

Sreen Ahmed
Pacific Lutheran University 253 Scholarship

Jasmine Belin
CHS Bill Doucette Memorial Scholarship

Tyler Brown
Gonzaga University Dean’s Scholarship, Weller Orthodontics Scholarship

Laney Alexander
University Place Classified Association Scholarship

Gabi Bellin
University of California, Davis Provost Award and Division 1 Swimming Scholarship

Lalik Buggs
Ottawa University Academic and Athletics Scholarship, MAC Scholars Scholarship

Queen Angel Allah-Pendergrass
University of Washington Tacoma Freshman Merit Scholarship

Amanda Bertucci
Washington State University Academic Award

Alliyah Carter
Valley Forge Full Ride Scholarship

Faith Allen
Eastern Washington Dean’s scholarship, Pierce First First Scholarship

Aidan Bibby
Don Larsen Memorial Scholarship

Eric Casey
Regis University Academic Scholarship and Athletic Scholarship

Katherine Allen
Western Washington University Admissions Achievement Award National Merit Commended Scholar

Andrew Bishop
University of Puget Sound Deans Scholarship and Puget Sound Grant, University Place Education Association Fall/Spring Scholarships, CHS Ethnic Studies Scholarship, WSBPA State Bowling Tournament Scholarship

Mariana Castro Escobedo
Western Washington University Multiculturalism and Diversity Award, Kiwanis Club Scholarship

Abigail Argel
Victor Lyon and Else Lyon Scholarship

Clara Blakeslee
Grand Canyon University President’s Award, The Daffodil Festival, Tacoma Yacht Club, Washington State Fair, Jerry Backendorf Community Service Scholarship, Washington State Firefighters, Retired Women’s Association of Teachers Scholarship, Curtis High School Viking Award

Annabelle Chang
Brandeis University Junior Scholar Curtis PTSA & Ink Inc. Scholarship

Brayden Baker
Rocky Mountain College Football & Academic Scholarships

Ryan Brady
Washington State University Cougar Application Award UPEA Spring and Fall Scholarship, Retired Women’s Education Scholarship

Lauren Colberg
Montana State University Academic Achievement and Blue and Gold Scholarship

Preston Bateman
U.S. Merchant Marine Academy Full Ride Scholarship

Noian Cosme
Boise State University Payette Scholarship, Honors Scholarship and Chemistry Department Scholarship
Recipients

Trina Dao
Curtis PTSA Scholarship

Naomi Douglas
Don Larsen Memorial Scholarship

Hazel Gaspaire
San Jose State Track Scholarship and Academic Scholarship

Haylee Davidson
California State University East Bay Waterpolo Scholarship, Katie Andrews Memorial Scholarship

Kathleen Duefrane
PLU Academic Scholarship

Lynnea Gerecke
CHS Cindy Baldwin Service Scholarship

Amber Davison
Occidental College Honors Scholarship for Academic Excellence Occidental Honors Program

Andrew Duong
Washington State Opportunity Scholarship

Tanner Harding
Central Washington University Academic Excellence Award

Jacob de Leon
Pacific Lutheran University Academic Scholarship, Visitor Scholarship

Tristin Eargle
Rotary Club of University Place - Fircrest Scholarship MAC Scholars Scholarship

Elijah Harris
Whitworth University Scholarship, SHEF Promise Scholarship, MAC Scholars Award

Philip de Leon
AP Scholar Award, AP National Hispanic Recognition Program

Tom Endicott
Western Washington University Academic Excellence Scholarship, Bernice A.B.Keys Scholarship

Nick Harrison
Northern Arizona University Gold Scholarship, WUE Scholarship

Kekoa Dihay
CHS Joe Thomas Memorial Scholarship

Olivia Estes
Tanner Electric

Melissa Harvey
AMFA-14 Scholarship, Victor Lyon and Elise Lyon Scholarship

Olivia Dobosz
Gonzaga University Regent’s Scholar

Monique Evans
Dear’s Scholarship, Act Six Scholarship, Elizabeth Wesley Scholarship, Rotary Club of University Place - Fircrest Scholarship, George R Curtis Award

Grace Haueisen
Pacific Lutheran University President’s Scholarship Rainier Olympic Nurses Association Award Curtis PTSA Scholarship

Shae Dolan
United States Senate Youth Program, Daughters of the Cincinnati Scholarship, Washington State Fair Foundation Fair Chance Scholarship, Zonta Young Women in Public Affairs Award

Karl Falskow
Washington State University Academic Scholarship

Camille Hayden
Washington State University Achievement

Asya Doty
Elizabeth Wesley Scholarship, Victor Lyon and Elise Lyon Scholarship

Diego Garza
Gonzaga University Dussault Scholar

Eva Howard
University of Washington Tacoma Academic Scholarship Shane Maunasi Tropik Art Scholarship
Scholarship & Award Recipients (continued)

Hojin Jang
University of Puget Sound Alumni Scholarship

Patrick Keough
Curtis PTSA Scholarship
CHS Ray Beard Award

Arianna Luevanos
Curtis PTSA Scholarship

Yewon Jang
Bernice A.B. Keys Scholarship

Minkyu Kim
University of Washington Merit Scholarship

Colby Mahan
Curtis PTSA Scholarship

Matthew Janicki
Gonzaga University Merit Scholarship
National Football Foundation Scholarship,
CHS Viking Scholarship,
CHS Bob Lucey Scholarship

Makenna Kirk
University Of Alaska Southeast Chancellor Award,
AER Military Children Scholarship

Gabriel Martin
MAC Scholars Scholarship

Julia Johnson
College Of Wooster Scholar Award
and Music Scholarship

Abigail Klein
Central Washington University Track
& Field Scholarship

Malaya Matthews
Grand Canyon University Scholarship Award

Luke Johnson
Rotary Club of University Place - Fircrest Scholarship

Tristan Koop
Whitworth Merit Scholarship and
Music Scholarship

Julia McCormack
UWT Milgard School of Business Academic Scholarship

D’Andre Jones
Elizabeth Wesley Scholarship

Eric Kwon
Arizona State University Provost’s Award

Nia McCoy
CHS Viking Scholarship
Elizabeth Wesley Scholarship

Hadassah Jun
Remarkable Futures Scholarship

Logan Kwon
U.S. Coast Academy Full Ride Scholarship

Ariah McDermaid
University of Washington Writing Scholarship

Ella Kelley
Tlingit & Haida Scholarship

Mattheo Lam
University of Washington
Tacoma STEM Program,
Weller Orthodontics Scholarship,
Kimsang Lor Scholarship,
BOLD Scholarship

Joseph McInelly
Santa Clara University Bronco Scholarship
Lombino Award
CHS Greg Paus Scholarship

Katy Kelly
WUE Scholarship

Ainsley Lawrence
Washington State University
Achievement Award,
University Place Education Association Scholarship

Abigail McMillan
Seattle Pacific University Campus
Visit Scholarships and Christian Participation Scholarship,
Tacoma Rescue Mission Scholarship,
CHS Future Counselor Scholarship

Sebastian Kelzenberg
Cleveland Institute of Music Scholarship,
Cleveland Institute of Music Recognition Award

Jude Lowery
Dominican University of California Academic and
Athletic Scholarships
Curtis PTSA Scholarship

Simon Melll
Washington State University
Distinguished Achievement Award
Elks Scholarship,
CHS Ethnic Studies Scholarship
Among the Very Best!

Luke Murdach
Evergreen State Scholarship

Blessings Mwago
Seattle Pacific University Visit Scholarship

Iyesha Naraya
Rotary Club of University Place - Fircrest Scholarship

Vincent Nguyen
Pacific Lutheran University Academic Scholarship

Maria Nordi
University of Oregon Minds Move Mountains Scholarship, West Tacoma Optimist Club Scholarship

Andrew Nyangweso
Arizona Christians University Football Scholarship

Jenna Oh
Curtis PTSA Scholarship

Nathan Oswald
University of Arizona Non-Resident Merit Based Tuition Award Bernice A.B. Keys Scholarship

Alana Penamante
Pioneer Place Scholarship

Ariana Pinedo
Washington State Opportunity Scholarship

Cooper Posada
Loyola University Chicago Dean’s Scholarship and Director’s Scholarship

Juliana Preclado
Seattle Pacific University Falcon Bound, National Merit Scholarship

Kathryn Pubols
Grand Canyon University 2022 Antelope Scholarship

Thea Frances Ramirez
Azusa Pacific University Dean Scholarship, Varsity in Drama with a First and Second Bar, Presidential Award, CHS Integrity Award, National Association of Teachers Singing 1st Place in Women’s Musical Theatre, Broadway World Awards Best Leading Performer in a Musical Nominee

Raquel Redhair
Skidmore College Grant University Place Classified Association Scholarship CHS Gloria Odell Award, CHS Bob Lucer Scholarship

Fatimeh Redford
University Place Classified Association Scholarship

A’Jahlei Rideb
CHS Joe Thomas Memorial Scholarship

Katelyn Riggins
Montana State University Achievement Scholarship, and Blue and Gold Scholarship Victor and Elise Lyon Scholarship

Maxim Serafinovic
PCA Award Ben B. Cheney Scholarship

Brandon Shifflett
Victor Lyon and Elise Lyon Scholarship

Xander Sleverson
Oregon State University Provost Scholarship Curtis PTSA Scholarship

Christina Situ
University of Washington Tacoma Access in Stem Scholarship

Jordyn Smith
WUE, Northern Arizona University Blue Scholarship, Washington Department of the Blind Scholarship, Aberdeen Rotary Deaf/Blind Scholarship, Washington Department of the Blind and Aberdeen Rotary

Terry Smith
CJ’s Sports Performance Training Scholarship, MAC Scholars Scholarship

Ava Stefanik
Pacific Lutheran University Alumni Tuition Scholarship

Lindsay Thomas
Pacific Lutheran University Academic Scholarship and Visit Scholarship

Kaylin Tutton
Grand Canyon University Faculty Scholarship, Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship, Priority Reg Award, and Thunder Fund Scholarship

Salma Wairimu
Xavier University of Louisiana Academic Scholarship
Scholarship & Award Recipients (continued)

Bo Warner
Central Washington University Academic Scholarship

Cassie Wight
University of Portland Arthur Schulte Scholarship

Trent Williams
MAC Scholars Scholarship

Carla Whitman
Rotary Club of University Place - Fiercest Scholarship

Katherine (Katie) Wilger
USA Freshman Admission Scholarship

Janice Won
University Place Principals Association Scholarship

Alicia Whitten
Elizabeth Wesley Scholarship

Preston Wille
Don Wolters Memorial Scholarship

Jason Wu
Rochester Institute of Technology Presidential Scholarship

Jacob White
BYU-I Accountant Grant

Kellis Williams
Portland State University Access Scholarship

Joel Yi
National Army, ROTC Scholarship, Virginia Tech Emerging Leader Scholarship

We are the Champions!

Spring Girls’ Sports Reign Supreme!

Congratulations State Champions! Girls Water Polo and Girls Track & Field secured state titles this spring.

2021-2022 was a historic year for Curtis High School Athletics with four team state championships and several individual titles. Way to go Vikings!
Service Award Recipients

Sereen Nasser Ahmed
Jacob Allen Albers
Emily Rae Aliment
Faith Isabella Allen
Justice Alieene Atchison
Parker Joseph Bartkus
Jaxon Kalani Bertram
Andrew Eldridge Bishop
Kaden Lee Blue
Antrum Jath-Malhu Quavon Calhoun
Isabella Ruth Cunningham
Amber Camille Davison
Kaitlyn Marie Dela Rosa
Asya Renee Doty
Marilynn Sachi Duefrane
Sherah Carolyn Edmon
Bradley Mitchell Emrick-Cris
Monique Collette Evans
Aaron John Fukai
Melissa Dam Harvey
Grace Mazuran Haeuseen
Camille Noelle Hayden
Sofia Petrice Herrera
Hojin Jang
Jayden Arionna Jones
Kathryn Erin Kelly
Minkyu Paul Kim
Barbara Catherine Loco
Zachary Isaiah Matthews
Mason Alexander McKenzie
Leslie JoAnn Medal
Sophia Edita Mityukova
Ronnie Patrick Mwangi
Caleb James Negrete
Finn Ezekiel Olson
Soh Yeon Park
Maliyah Marie Parker-Montgomery
Stella Patterson
Alana Elizabeth Penamante
Katelyn Rose Riggins
Lilah Marie Rodriguez
Louis Paul Robinson Rowley
Maxim Serafinovich
Claudia Jean Silverthorn
Jasjit Singh
Shanna Angela Villereal Somera
Isaac Andrew Sotomayor
Robert Alton Thompson
Christopher Martin Wald
Jacob Oliver White
Alicia Marianna Whitten
Taylor Grace Wicks
Cassie Sophia Wight
Trent Everett Williams
Joshua Andrew Young
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Honoring Karen Ash: Teacher of the Year
District Honors Longtime Drum Math Teacher as Teacher of the Year

“Karen Ash is not only an amazing person with an incredible heart, she is a highly effective teacher who masterfully commands a classroom,” says Drum Intermediate School Principal Maile Carr.

Mrs. Ash was nominated for this award by several people including both staff and students for her exceptional dedication to students, support of colleagues and commitment to the teaching profession. Ash has been a teacher in University Place for the last 33 years. She began her career in 1989 at Chambers Elementary School. The next year, she moved to teach 5th grade at Drum where she has taught ever since.

This past year Ash has been a math intervention specialist at Drum. She works tirelessly to support students who need additional instruction in mathematics and is passionate about helping every student succeed. "Her dedication and desire to support struggling students and her love for the UPSD community sets her apart,” adds Carr.

“So many kids are intimidated by math,” explains Ash. “But if you can build their confidence, they will be much more successful,” she says. "That moment when they say ‘I get it’ is the thrill for me.”

We are grateful to Mrs. Ash for her tremendous efforts on behalf of students and her many years of service to UPSD. Please join us in congratulating her on her selection as the 2022 University Place School District Teacher of the Year.