



*The Class of
Two Thousand & Twenty Four*

Tapestry Charter High School

Buffalo, NY

Graduation Ceremony

June 26th, 2024

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Patrick Enser	Sydney Lauricella	Holly Thauer
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The Class of 2024

Christopher Armstrong^
Mikhail Autman
Mikail Banks
Tiffany Baptiste
Denise Birmingham+
Boe Bo*
Gregory Bolden
Isaiah Brown
Shyanne Brown
Herbert Bulls+
Antonio Carroll
Elyse Castile
Gerric Cino*
Tia Cino
Michael Collins
Amaiya Davis*+
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Asia Dockery
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Aynsley Hazelton
Tayvon Hill
Aliyah Hugley
NeVeah Hunter
Czaelyn Jackson
Anthony Jessie

Emoni Jones^
Julian Jones
Casey Joyner
Jayden Kelly+
Layla Kozlowski
T'Amara Land
Vernia Laventure
Corey Maclin*
Carlos Maggiolo
William McMahon
Sae Meh*^
Maya Montgomery
Isaac Mufungizi
Miracle Mufungizi
Niko Nunn
Pyro Nunn
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John Ponce
Poe Reh
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Lana Rizek
Aaliyah Roberson
Jazmine Robertson
Azael Rosario
Owen Ryan
Alanna Sands
Valentino Shine
Da'Cota Taylor
Myliyah Taylor
Amanuel Tsegai^
Samaria Turner
Ken'Niya Turrentine
Michael Turrentine
Jaymere Varner
Kyra Washington*
Reginald Watson+
Gyan Wiggins

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*ADVANCED REGENTS DIPLOMA

^MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

+TAPESTRY STUDENT SINCE KINDERGARTEN!

The Class of 2024



Program

PROCESSIONAL

*Pomp & Circumstance by Edward Elger
performed by Tapestry Musicians*

**WELCOME &
GREETINGS**

*Eric Klapper
Executive Director*

**WELCOMING
REMARKS**

*Sara Hilligas
Principal*

**“HIGHER GROUND”
BY STEVIE WONDER**

*Tapestry Modern
Bands I & II*

**VALEDICTORAY
SPEAKERS**

*Jayden Kelly, Athletics
Anthony Eatman, Arts
Ansley Hazelton, Service
Christopher Armstrong, Leadership
Sae Meh, Academics*

**COMMENCEMENT
ADDRESS**

*Dina Thompson
Executive Director of Erie County
Restorative Justice Coalition*

**PRESENTATION OF
DIPLOMAS**

*Mike Vorenkamp
Dan Tryon
Geoff Schutte
Kaitlyn Ratka
Bianca McGraw
Taryn Matteson
Rachel Leone
Tricia Davis*

CLOSING READING

Tricia Davis

**TURNING OF THE
TASSEL**

Sara Hilligas

Please allow our graduates to exit before leaving your seats

Awards

THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE

The award, established by the U.S. Department of Education, recognizes and honors outstanding educational achievement based upon four year grade point average.

The 2024 President's Award for Educational Excellence is presented to the following Seniors:

Christopher Armstrong
Boe Bo

Gerric Cino
Sae Meh

THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT

The award, established by the U.S. Department of Education, recognizes and honors outstanding educational growth, improvement, commitment to or intellectual development in academic subjects.

The 2024 President's Award for Educational Achievement is presented to the following Seniors:

Mikail Banks
Tiffany Baptiste
Denise Birmingham
Antonio Carroll
Michael Collins
Cametria Dixon

Asia Dockery
Demetrius Evans
Abigail Haban
Deiyon Hall
Tayvon Hill
Julian Jones

Casey Joyner
Layla Kozlowski
Azael Rosario
Reggie Watson
Gyan Wiggins

THE AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP AWARD

The award is bestowed upon students who participate in school and community service, show a positive attitude, display an understanding and appreciation of civic responsibility, possess strength of character and the courage to do what is right, and promote citizenship within their school or community.

The American Citizenship Award is presented to the following Seniors:

Elyse Castile
Sun Day
Niko Nunn
Pyro Nunn

Evie Ridout
Owen Ryan
Amanuel Tsegai

NEW YORK STATE 2024 ATTORNEY GENERAL TRIPLE "C" AWARDS

This award recognizes students who demonstrate "character, courage, and commitment". Whether excelling in academic pursuits, participating in community service, displaying leadership among their classmates, or overcoming personal challenges; they inspire and provide hope for the future.

Amanuel Tsegai
Gyan Wiggins

Awards

STATE COMPTROLLER AWARD

The award, established by the New York State Comptroller's office, recognizes and honors outstanding students who have demonstrated leadership and commitment to service.

The 2024 New York State Comptroller's Achievement Award is presented to:

Amaiya Davis	Emoni Jones
SaRiyah Golden	Sae Meh
Da'Mya Graham	

THE TAPESTRY FACULTY COMPASS AWARDS

These awards are presented each year to graduating seniors who embody and exemplify the values of the Tapestry Compass: Perseverance, Integrity, Responsibility and Respect. The recipients are selected by the faculty to serve as a model of the values our community holds dear, both in school and in the larger world.

PERSEVERANCE	Deja Ferguson
INTEGRITY	Denise Birmingham
RESPONSIBILITY	Sae Meh
RESPECT	Mikhail Autman

DEPARTMENT AWARDS

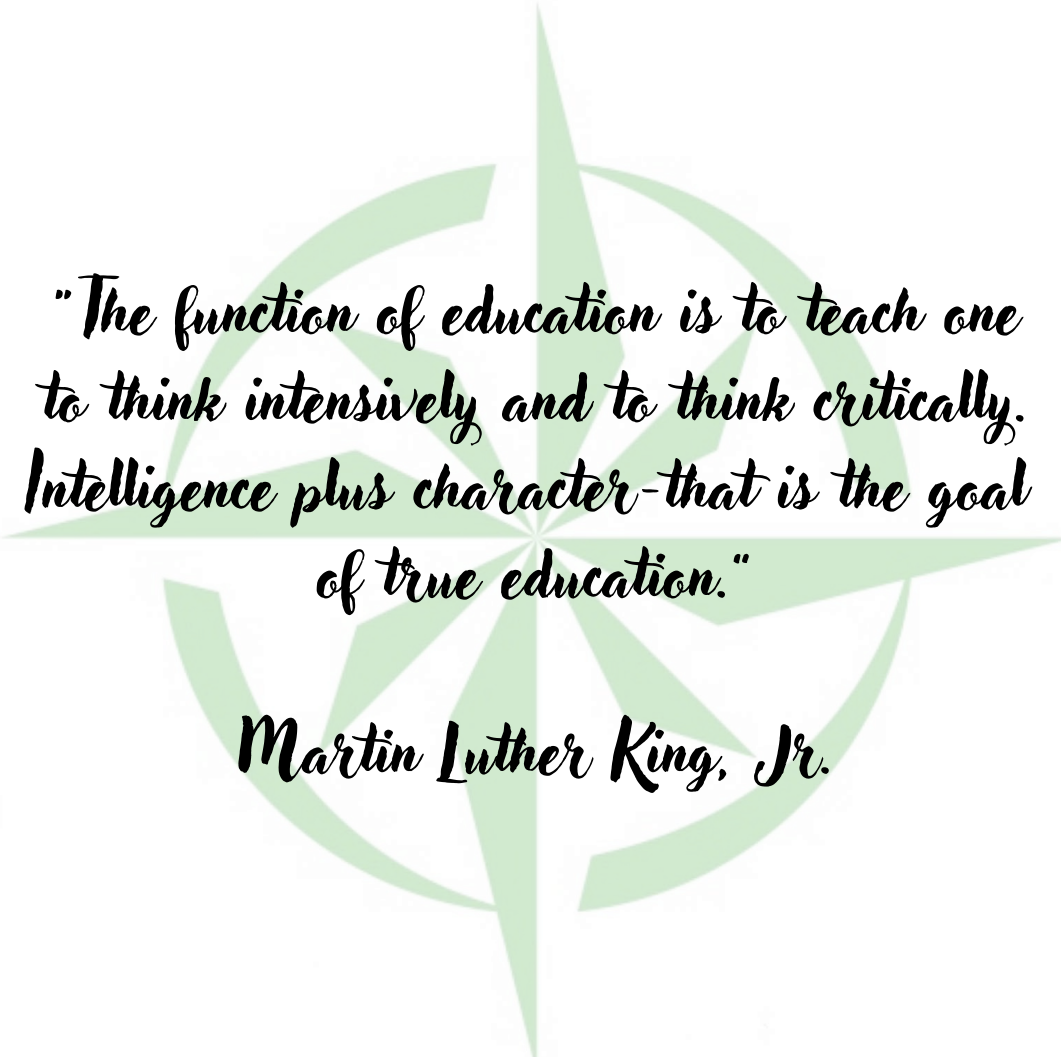
Selected by teachers from the following departments:

ENGLISH	Gerric Cino & Ansley Hazelton
MATHEMATICS	Emoni Jones & Denise Birmingham
SCIENCE	Bo Boe & Kyra Washington
SOCIAL STUDIES	Anthony Jessie & Alanna Sands
SPANISH	T'Amaria Land
VISUAL ARTS	Abigail Haban & Azael Rosario
ATHLETICS	Deja Ferguson & Jayden Kelly

TAPESTRY CHARTER HIGH HONORS DIPLOMAS

Awarded in recognition of satisfactory completion of the Tapestry Charter High School Honors Extension Program, requiring dedication to academic rigor and original research, and appreciation of the richness of the Buffalo Community.

Christopher Armstrong	Elyse Castile	Lana Rizek
Tiffany Baptiste	SaRiyah Golden	Owen Ryan
Denise Birmingham	Sae Meh	



*"The function of education is to teach one
to think intensively and to think critically.
Intelligence plus character—that is the goal
of true education."*

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Graduation Photographs



Hello Families,

I had the pleasure of taking pictures today of your graduate!

You can expect to view photos within 4 weeks.

You can scan the QR code below or use this link to view/
download the photos.

[http://heatherreneephotohraphy716.pixieset.com/
TapestryGrads](http://heatherreneephotohraphy716.pixieset.com/TapestryGrads)

You may order prints directly from the site, or you can
download the photos and choose a different site for printing.

The download code is: 0623

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when sharing photos online.

Thank you!

Heather



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