

Graduation 2017

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A total of 453 seniors graduated from our public high schools in May and June and were awarded over \$6.6 million in scholarships.

Vance Early College High School

Top 10 Percent of the Class of 2017

Christopher Brame

2016 graduation marshal; member of National Honor Society; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; earned associate in arts degree from VGCC; will attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Sierra Hawkins

2016 graduation marshal; member of National Honor Society; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; named to VGCC Dean's List; recipient of Salem College Academic Scholarship, Salem College Founder's Fellowship Scholarship and Salem College Merit Scholarship; earned associate in arts degree from VGCC; will attend Salem College in Winston-Salem



Kristen Oakes

Class valedictorian; 2016 graduation marshal; member of National Honor Society; President's Award for Educational Excellence; named to VGCC Dean's List; recipient of Rho Chapter Alpha Delta Kappa International Scholarship, Honorary Sorority for Women Educators Scholarship and UNC Covenant Scholarship; earned associate in arts degree from VGCC; will attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Janet Rodriguez-Morales

2016 graduation marshal; member of National Honor Society; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; earned Phi Theta Kappa academic recognition; named to VGCC Dean's List; named to VGCC President's List; recipient of Staci K. Barnett Scholarship and Zeb Vance Ruritan Club Scholarship; earned associate in arts degree from VGCC; will attend East Carolina University

Jacob Weaver

Class salutatorian; 2016 graduation marshal; member of National Honor Society; President's Award for Educational Excellence; recipient of Zeb Vance Ruritan Club Scholarship and UNC Grant; earned associate in arts degree from VGCC; will attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Among the additional 43 graduates in the Class of 2017 at the Vance County Early College High School, these students have announced their future plans.

Celene Acuna – Wake Technical Community College
Jasmine Allen – UNC Greensboro
Christopher Ayscue, Jr. – Vance-Granville Community College
Megan Ayscue – Vance-Granville Community College
Keana Baskerville – Clemson University
Je'Ronee Blackwell – Vance-Granville Community College
Christopher Blue – UNC Greensboro
Lauren Chavis-Hargrove – Queens University
David Cobbs, Jr. – UNC Greensboro
Ashlyn Collier – Barton College
Chadstity Copeland – Vance-Granville Community College
Erika Decena-Santos – N.C. State University
Alexis Hanks – Vance-Granville Community College
Mya Hargrove – UNC Greensboro
Hayden Harris – Vance-Granville Community College
William Harris – East Carolina University
Robert Hawkins, IV – Vance-Granville Community College
Ronald Ibarra Renteria – Vance-Granville Community College
Tia Johnson – Vance-Granville Community College
Mychell Keith – Howard University
Darius Macon-Majette – Vance-Granville Community College
Jaylil Majette – Vance-Granville Community College

Nyasha Miller – Bennett College
Michelle Perdomo Dominguez – Durham Technical C.C.
Xavier Perry – UNC Charlotte
Bali Reavis – U.S. Marine Corps
Autumn Richardson – UNC Greensboro
Tara Roberson – N.C. State University
Kellie Robinson – Emmanuel College
Stephon Sample – UNC-Chapel Hill
Alexandra Saravia – Vance-Granville Community College
Rebecca Short – Campbell University
Timothy Terry, Jr. – Shaw University
Alicia Tucker – East Carolina University
Christian Vazquez – Vance-Granville Community College
Angel White – Wingate University
Darius Williams – Vance-Granville Community College
Malik Williams – U.S. Marine Corps
Hailey Williamson – Vance-Granville Community College
Jordan Williamson – Vance-Granville Community College
Amber Wilson – Vance-Granville Community College
Anautica Wilson – Fayetteville State University
April Zuniga-Trejo – Vance-Granville Community College

Advance Academy at WVHS

Top 10 Percent of the Class of 2017

Danny Lee Hicks, Jr.
will attend Vance-Granville Community College (not pictured)

Cindy San Juan
will attend Vance-Granville Community College

Dawn'Sha Smith
will attend Vance-Granville Community College

Antavious Williams
will attend Living Arts College

Robert Wunderlich
will attend Vance-Granville Community College (not pictured)



Among the additional 52 graduates in the Class of 2017 at the Advance Academy, these students have announced their future plans.

Leshawn Alston – Employment
Joseph Archie – Employment
Skyler Ayscue – Vance-Granville Community College
Adaiah Bradberry – Vance-Granville Community College

Winfred Brown – Louisburg College
Vincent Brown – Louisburg College
Ubaldo Chavarin Flores - Employment
Shay'daza Daniels – Vance-Granville Community College

Desmond Davis – Vance-Granville Community College
Jabreil Davis – Vance-Granville Community College
Shon'kale Davis – Vance-Granville Community College
Ty'Jhane Davis – Employment
Zaria Davis – Vance-Granville Community College
Aaliyah Daye – Vance-Granville Community College
Dy'lik Downey – Employment
Anthony Elberson – U.S. Military
Dajahnae Gilyard – Vance-Granville Community College
Cassidy Goddon – Vance-Granville Community College
Loni Greenway – Vance-Granville Community College
Joanne Hargrove – Vance-Granville Community College
Terrance Hargrove – Vance-Granville Community College
Akayla Hawkins – Vance-Granville Community College
Leroy Hawkins – Vance-Granville Community College
Mikel Henderson – Employment
Ricardo Heredia Hernandez – Employment
Donald Hunt – Employment
Rayquan Irving – Employment
Kiara Jones – Vance-Granville Community College
Shikeim Jones – Vance-Granville Community College
Ja'Qwasha Lewis – Vance-Granville Community College

Juan Moreno-Ollis – Employment
Leonel Palacios Macedo – Vance-Granville Comm. College
Alexus Palmer – Vance-Granville Community College
Ty-Kerah Peace – Vance-Granville Community College
Malek Perry – Employment
Tatianna Ragland – Vance-Granville Community College
Rashad Rease – Employment
Alejandro Reyes – Vance-Granville Community College
Rafael Rodriguez – Employment
Michael Sanford – Vance-Granville Community College
KyTavis Small – Louisburg College
Qydarius Small – Employment
Mark'Quez Thomas – Employment
Seandarius Thorpe – Vance-Granville Community College
Brianna Venable – Vance-Granville Community College
Le'Creasha Venable – Employment
Jonas Wheeling – Employment
Batavious Wilkins – Vance-Granville Community College
Antaza Williams – Vance-Granville Community College
Treshon Williams – Vance-Granville Community College
Ty'Quasia' Williams – Vance-Granville Community College
Star-Asia Wortham – U.S. Military

Southern Vance High School

Top 10 Percent of the Class of 2017



Luis Amaya-Villa

Class salutatorian; member of the National Honor Society; National Beta Club; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; graduation marshal; soccer; recipient of Henderson Civitan Club Scholarship; will attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Yasmene Clark

Member of the National Beta Club; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; National Technical Honor Society; Vance Medical Academy; graduation marshal; will attend Vance-Granville Community College

**Dalton Elliott**

Member of the National Beta Club; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; National Technical Honor Society; Vance Medical Academy; graduation marshal; golf; soccer; swimming; will attend Vance-Granville Community College

Gavin Eutsler

Class valedictorian; member of the National Honor Society; National Beta Club; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; graduation marshal; will attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Daniel Faulkner

Member of the National Beta Club; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; graduation marshal; will attend Vance-Granville Community College

Kenia Gomez-Jimenez

Member of the National Honor Society; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; National Technical Honor Society; graduation marshal; Vance County School of Excellence; recipient of Golden Leaf Scholarship and UNC Covenant Scholarship; will attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Cynthia Harrington

Member of the National Beta Club; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; Vance Medical Academy; graduation marshal; Vance County School of Excellence; recipient of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Scholarship; will attend North Carolina Central University

Kendall Harris

Member of the National Honor Society; National Beta Club; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; graduation marshal; soccer; swimming; tennis; will attend Vance-Granville Community College

Anna Hernandez

Member of the National Honor Society; National Beta Club; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; Vance Medical Academy; graduation marshal; recipient of Campbell University Scholarship; will attend Campbell University

Brandon Lawrence

Member of the National Honor Society; National Beta Club; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; National Technical Honor Society; graduation marshal; Eagle Scout; Vance County School of Excellence; swimming; tennis; recipient of scholarships from Aycock PTA, Henderson Kiwanis Club, Henderson Optimist Club, N.C. State Rescue Association, Phi Delta Kappa, Henderson Ruritan Club, Sons of the American Revolution State; Sons of the American Revolution Local, Smoot, Venture Crew 605 and N.C. State University; will attend North Carolina State University

Carrington Matias

Member of the National Honor Society; National Beta Club; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; National Technical Honor Society; graduation marshal; will attend Virginia Union University

Antonia Loyd, Jr.

Member of the National Honor Society; National Beta Club; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; Vance County School of Excellence; graduation marshal; cross country; recipient of scholarships from Tokens of Love, Arnold Morrison Memorial, AKA Men on the Rise, Currin Sisters, Henderson Robert Bogan and State Employees' Credit Union; will attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Angelica Nonato Montano

North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; graduation marshal; will attend North Carolina State University

Vianey Nonato

Member of the National Beta Club; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; graduation marshal; Vance Medical Academy (CNA I); swimming; will attend Vance-Granville Community College

Tyler Patrick

Member of National Beta Club; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; graduation marshal; baseball; cross country; swimming; will attend Vance-Granville Community College

Jaslin Renteria

Member of National Beta Club; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; Vance Medical Academy; graduation marshal; will attend Vance-Granville Community College

Heidy Reyes Morozumi

Member of National Honor Society; National Beta Club; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; graduation marshal; will attend Vance-Granville Community College

Yarelic Tamayo Picaz

Member of National Beta Club; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; Vance Medical Academy; graduation marshal; will attend Vance-Granville Community College

Logan Waite

Member of the National Honor Society; National Beta Club; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; National Technical Honor Society; graduation marshal; baseball; soccer; recipient of Golden Leaf Foundation Scholarship and UNC-Chapel Hill Scholarship; will attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Autumn Wortham

Member of the National Honor Society; National Beta Club; North Carolina Scholar; President's Award for Educational Excellence; National Technical Honor Society; graduation marshal; soccer; volleyball; will attend East Carolina University

Among the additional 150 graduates in the Class of 2017 at Southern Vance High School, these students have announced their future plans.

Daniel Adcock – UNC Charlotte

Maya Alston – Vance-Granville Community College

Carlos Barajas – UNC Charlotte

Amber Bolton – Livingstone College

Jakayla Boyd – Guilford Technical Community College

Dasia Burrell – UNC Greensboro

Yessica Ceniza-Paloma – Wingate University

Jacqueline Cervantes – Vance-Granville Community College

Viridiana Chavez – East Carolina University

Glenn Chavis – N.C. A&T State University

Christian Clark – Vance-Granville Community College

Jasmine Copeland – N.C. Central University

Mya Cozart – Bennett College

Eric Creech – Vance-Granville Community College

Katie Currin – UNC Asheville

Krystal Daye – Winston-Salem State University

Austin Dement – Johnson & Wales University

Christopher Dominguez – Bridgewater College

Raven Dunston – East Carolina University

Makayla Elam – UNC Greensboro

Dyron Evans – Johnson & Wales University

Eddie Evans – Vance-Granville Community College

Justice Fields – Fayetteville State University

Hailey Grant – Chowan University

Karen Guillen Morales – Vance-Granville Community College

Quadaisha Hargrove – Johnson & Wales University

Tiona Harris – Shaw University

Sha'tonii Hayes – Chef's Academy

Datasha Hedgepeth – Winston-Salem State University

Brittany Henderson – Vance-Granville Comm. College

Shayquan Henderson – N.C. Central University

Sabrina Johnson – Vance-Granville Comm. College

Ile'Q Jones – N.C. Central University

Krystal Jones – Wingate University

Kyanna Kersey – N.C. A&T State University

Ta'Nia Lewis – Chowan University

Alexis Lowery – Fayetteville State University

Jason Lowman – Vance-Granville Community College

Shatori Macon – East Carolina University

Crystal Melgar – Chowan University

Charles Miller, II – Vance-Granville Community College

Bryan Neidhardt – Louisburg College

Lizeth Nieto Mata – Barton College

Patrick Parker – Coastal Carolina Community College

Matthew Perkins – N.C. A&T State University

Markita Perry – Vance-Granville Community College

Yahnae' Quinn – N.C. Central University

Shaquandra Richardson – N.C. A&T State University

Karenza Shearer – N.C. Central University

A'sha Shearin – Shaw University

Brittany Simms – Vance-Granville Community College

Bryanna Simril – Johnson & Wales University

April Terry – Shaw University

Jordan Thomas – N.C. Central University

Da'Quawn Thompson – Chowan University
Kaleigh Troxler – Saint Augustine's University
Corey Twitty, Jr. – Winston-Salem State University
Joshua Waverly – Fayetteville State University
John White, Jr. – Wayne Community College

Gabrielle Willard – Fayetteville State University
Tyjai Williams – Vance-Granville Community College
Ashley Yarborough – Fayetteville State University
Morgan Yarborough – Chowan University

Northern Vance High School

Top 10 Percent of the Class of 2017



Megan Andrews

Member of the National Honor Society; N.C. Academic Scholar; Global Language Endorser; College Endorser; President's Award for Academic Excellence; graduation marshal; swimming; volleyball; All-Conference; recipient of Methodist University Scholarship; will attend Methodist University

Jared Bennett

Member of the National Honor Society; National Technical Honor Society; N.C. Academic Scholar; College Endorser; Career Endorser; President's Award for Academic Excellence; Vance County School of Excellence; graduation marshal; baseball; All-Conference; will attend North Carolina State University

Charlie Chiem

Member of the National Honor Society; N.C. Academic Scholar; College Endorser; President's Award for Academic Excellence; College and Career Promise Pathway completer; graduation marshal; swimming; will attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Tamiya Davis

Member of the National Honor Society; N.C. Academic Scholar; Global Language Endorser; College Endorser; President's Award for Academic Excellence; graduation marshal; will attend Winston-Salem State University

Brooks Falkner

Member of the National Honor Society; National Technical Honor Society; N.C. Academic Scholar; College Endorser; Career Endorser; President's Award for Academic Excellence; Vance County School of Excellence; graduation marshal; soccer; swimming; will attend Vance-Granville Community College and transfer to North Carolina State University


Holly Hilliard

Member of the National Honor Society; N.C. Academic Scholar; College Endorser; President's Award for Academic Excellence; graduation marshal; volleyball; will attend the University of North Carolina at Wilmington

Sarah Howarth

Global Language Endorser; College Endorser; will attend the University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Hannah Mason

Member of the National Honor Society; N.C. Academic Scholar; Global Language Endorser; College Endorser; graduation marshal; swimming; will attend Christopher Newport University

Shadi Nagi

Member of the National Honor Society; National Technical Honor Society; N.C. Academic Scholar; Global Language Endorser; College Endorser; President's Award for Academic Excellence; graduation marshal; soccer; will attend Vance-Granville Community College and transfer to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Connor Pendergrass

Class valedictorian; member of the National Honor Society; N.C. Academic Scholar; College Endorser; President's Award for Academic Excellence; Vance County School of Excellence; graduation marshal; soccer; will attend North Carolina State University

Michelle Pham

College Endorser; President's Award for Academic Excellence; soccer; will join the U.S. Marine Corps

Penny Phan

Member of National Technical Honor Society; College Endorser; President's Award for Academic Excellence; will attend Vance-Granville Community College

Turner Roberson

Member of the National Honor Society; N.C. Academic Scholar; Global Language Endorser; College Endorser; President's Award for Academic Excellence; Vance County School of Excellence; will attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Jo'el Royster

Member of the National Honor Society; N.C. Academic Scholar; College Endorser; graduation marshal; football; wrestling; will attend Fayetteville State University

Deriana Scott

Member of the National Honor Society; National Technical Honor Society; College Endorser; President's Award for Academic Excellence; graduation marshal; will attend Vance-Granville Community College

Bailey Shelton

Class salutatorian; member of the National Honor Society; N.C. Academic Scholar; College Endorser; President's Award for Academic Excellence; graduation marshal; will attend the University of North Carolina at Wilmington

Imani Simmons

Member of the National Honor Society; National Technical Honor Society; N.C. Academic Scholar; Global Language Endorser; College Endorser; President's Award for Academic Excellence; graduation marshal; will attend the University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Nathaniel Stevenson

Member of the National Honor Society; N.C. Academic Scholar; College Endorser; President's Award for Academic Excellence; graduation marshal; will attend North Carolina State University

Jeffery Zheng

Member of the National Honor Society; N.C. Academic Scholar; Global Language Endorser; College Endorser; President's Award for Academic Excellence; graduation marshal; will attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Among the additional 159 graduates in the Class of 2017 at Northern Vance High School, these students have announced their future plans.

Dhiya Albarati – Vance-Granville Community College
Antavia Alexander – N.C. A&T State University
Adarius Alston – Vance-Granville Community College
Ny'Quisha Archie – N.C. Central University
Jennifer Arteaga – Vance-Granville Community College
Jalen Baskerville – UNC Pembroke
Seth Boone – UNC Pembroke
Heather Bryant – Vance-Granville Community College
Alicia Bullock – Vance-Granville Community College
Gia Bullock – N.C. Central University
Leon Bullock – Vance-Granville Community College
Tionna Bullock – Vance-Granville Community College
Adrianna Burwell – Winston-Salem State University
Don'Ye Burwell – UNC Greensboro
Keichelle Cheek – Shaw University
Keyasha Cheek – Vance-Granville Community College
Tyler Chisolm – Winston-Salem State University
Katelyn Closs – Winston-Salem State University
LeVetta Coley – N.C. Central University
Georgia Cooley – U.S. Navy
Zion Copeland – Vance-Granville Community College
Mya Daye – Saint Augustine's University
Rayven Deberry – Vance-Granville Community College
Hunter Dement – U.S. Army
Makayla Dunston – Saint Augustine's University
Kaniyah Evans – N.C. Central University
Michaux Evans – Saint Augustine's University
Ayanna Faulkner – Vance-Granville Community College
Keon Fogg – N.C. Central University
Okeahj Glasco – East Carolina University
Christopher Gregory – Vance-Granville Community College
Danielle Hargrove – N.C. Central University
Jameashia Hargrove – Vance-Granville Community College
Maryssa Harrington – U.S. Marine Corps
Jayla Harris – Vance-Granville Community College
Charlis Hawkins – Vance-Granville Community College
D'Angel Hawkins – Vance-Granville Community College
Samantha Hernandez – Vance-Granville Community College
Z-Andre Hicks – Vance-Granville Community College
Kalin Jackson – Saint Augustine's University
Aireon Jefferson – Vance-Granville Community College
Keoshia Johnson – Vance-Granville Community College
Amia Jones – Vance-Granville Community College
Danaeja Jordan – Vance-Granville Community College
Lucy Jordan – Saint Augustine's University
Brenda Juarez Castro – Vance-Granville Community College
Zyiah Lemay – N.C. A&T State University
JaQuasha Lewis – Saint Augustine's University
Meagan Maddox – Vance-Granville Community College

Cheyenne Markham – Vance-Granville Community College
Chontara Mason – N.C. A&T State University
Randolph Matthews – Vance-Granville Community College
George Mayo – Saint Augustine's University
Todd McKoon – Cape Fear Community College
Caitlin Melvin – UNC Charlotte
Ty'rel Miles – Living Arts College
Myasia Mitchell – East Carolina University
Savion Mitchell – Vance-Granville Community College
Ty'Riq Mitchner – Saint Augustine's University
Tyree Neal – Saint Augustine's University
Christopher Newton – Vance-Granville Community College
Calvin Noel – U.S. Navy
Deiondre Palmer – Fayetteville State University
Courtney Parham – Winston-Salem State University
Ariel Peace – Vance-Granville Community College
Kemiah Peace – Shaw University
Ta'Liyah Person – Saint Augustine's University
Kenton Pettaway, Jr. – Vance-Granville Community College
Mia Plummer – Vance-Granville Community College
Isis's Ragland – Vance-Granville Community College
Justin Reavis – Vance-Granville Community College
Sequoia Richardson – Vance-Granville Community College
Dylan Robertson – Vance-Granville Community College
Aka'Alaya Seward – Vance-Granville Community College
Jonathan Seward – Shaw University
LaNijia Silver – UNC Greensboro
Jonathan Simmons – East Carolina University
Meredith Sossamon – Vance-Granville Community College
Kayleigh Spencer – Wingate University
Ti-ray Sulyans – Saint Augustine's University
Samya Susewell – N.C. Central University
Kristofer Taylor – East Carolina University
DeAsia Thomas – Vance-Granville Community College
Erik Thomas – U.S. Marines
Alyson Tippett – Vance-Granville Community College
Tyreak Tyrell – Vance-Granville Community College
Jennifer Uribe – Vance-Granville Community College
Alexis Wadlington – Vance-Granville Community College
Genyva Washington – Bennett College
Brandon Watson – U.S. Army
Jaylen Webb – Elizabeth City State University
Arah Wells – UNC Asheville
Darius Williams – Winston-Salem State University
Jamal Williams – Johnson & Wales University
Samaira Williams – Saint Augustine's University
Aysha Wilson – Vance-Granville Community College
Shakya Wimbush – Vance-Granville Community College
Dennis Wimbush, Jr. – Vance-Granville Community College