

Emily Freitas Valedictorian

Emily is the daughter of Richard and Sara Freitas. She was a member of National Honor Society, National English Honor Society, National Spanish Honor Society, and FBLA. She graduated with a 4.20 gpa.

Wilder James is the son of Dustin and Karen James. He was a member of National Honor Society, National English Honor Society, National Spanish Honor Society, and FBLA. He graduated with a 4.16 gpa.

Brendyn Taylor is the son of Rob and Annette Taylor. He was a member of National Honor Society, National English Honor Society, National Spanish Honor Society, and FBLA. He graduated with a 4.16 gpa.

The following students graduated May 13, 2017.

Brennan Adams	Missouri State University
Lawrence Asistido	Missouri Southern State University
Alecsa Derganc	Pittsburg State University
Thomas Doyle	Missouri State University
Sean Fogarty	Missouri State University
Emily Freitas	Missouri State University
Jacob Freitas	Northwest Missouri State University
Gavin Gannaway	Crowder College
Emma Goodrich	University of Kansas
Nicole Gurubel	Crowder College
Brian Guthery	University of Central Missouri
Hunter Huthsing	Missouri State University
Wilder James	Missouri Southern State University
Matthew Lakey	Missouri Southern State University
Dylan Londo	Crowder College
Alyssa Lopez	Crowder College
Collin Lowry	Pittsburg State University
Aaron Moran	Missouri Southern State University
William Motazed	University of Arkansas
James Nguyen	Undecided
Chandler Olmstead	Crowder College
Monica Onstot	Missouri State University
Max Ostmeyer	Missouri Southern State University
Shea Schrader	Northwest Missouri State University
Miles Shelfer	Missouri State University
Brendyn Taylor	Missouri State University
Aaron Teeter	Missouri Southern State University
Gracie Vogel	Pittsburg State University
Thomas Zapletal	Missouri Southern State University

The class of 2017 earned \$1,199,414 in scholarships

Brennan Adams

- University of Arkansas Non-Arkansas Scholarship \$40,176
- MSSU Presidential Scholarship \$7,000

Lawrence Asistido

- Missouri State University A+ Scholarship \$2,000
- MSSu Presidential Scholarship \$7,000

Alecsa Derganc

- MSSU Presidential Scholarship \$7,000

Tommy Doyle

- Missouri Southern State University Presidential Scholarship \$7,000
- Missouri State University A+ Scholarship \$2,000
- Shelter Insurance Scholarship \$2,000

Emily Freitas

- Kansas State University Purple and White Scholarship \$48,000
- MSSU Presidential Scholarship \$7,000
- Missouri State University Board of Governors Scholarship \$20,000
- Southern Illinois University at Carbondale Dean's Scholarship \$16,000
- University of Central Arkansas Excellence Scholarship \$28,000
- University of Kansas Jayhawk Generations Scholarship \$52,000

Jake Freitas

- Baker University Academic Leadership Scholarship \$4,000
- Baker University Honors Scholarship \$52,000
- Missouri State University Provost Scholarship \$10,000
- Missouri Southern State University Presidential Scholarship \$7,000
- Missouri Western State University Presidential Scholarship \$14,400
- Northwest Missouri State University A+ Scholarship \$3,000
- Northwest Missouri State University Boys State Scholarship \$1,000
- Northwest Missouri State University Distinguished Scholar \$16,000
- Northwest Missouri State University Distinguished Scholar Day \$500
- Rockhurst McCabe Scholarship \$82,000
- Tri-State Area Contractors Association Scholarship \$1,500
- Truman State University Missouri Boys State Scholarship \$4,000
- University of Kansas Excellence Award \$43,800
- University of Missouri Excellence Award \$8,000

Emma Goodrich

- SMB Scholarship \$500
- MSSU Excellence Scholarship \$5,200

Brian Guthery

- Kansas State University \$50,000
- University of Central Missouri Red and Black Scholarship \$10,000

Hunter Huthsing

- MSSU Presidential Scholarship \$7,000

Wilder James

- Missouri Southern State University Presidential Scholarship \$7,000

Dylan Londo

- Crowder College A+ Scholarship \$6,660
- Crowder College Trustee Scholarship \$2,600

Alyssa Lopez

- AMDA VIP Scholarship \$1,000
- Crowder College A+ Scholarship \$6,660

Collin Lowry

- Pittsburg State University Gorilla Advantage \$43,008

Will Motazed

- Creighton University Founders Award \$72,000
- Creighton University Roman Shaffel, S.J. Award \$6,000
- Missouri Southern State University Presidential Scholarship \$7,000
- State of Missouri Bright Flight Scholarship \$10,000
- University of Arkansas Leadership Scholarship \$8,000
- New Arkansas Non-Resident Tuition Award \$58,000
- University of Missouri Curators Scholars Award \$18,000
- SW Missouri Alumni Association Scholarship \$350

Chandler Olmstead

- Crowder College A+ Scholarship \$6,660

Monica Onstot

- Missouri State University Deans Scholarship \$6,000
- MSSU Presidential Scholarship \$7,000

Max Ostmeyer

- Missouri Southern State University Debra & David Humphrey Excellence Award \$3,000
- Evans Fellowship \$46,400
- State of Missouri Bright Flight Scholarship \$10,000

Shea Schrader

- MSSU Presidential Scholarship \$7,000
- Northwest Missouri State University Scholarship \$14,000
- Ohio University Achievement Scholarship \$12,000
- Ohio University Distinction Scholarship \$4,000
- Ohio University Russ Vision Scholarship \$12,000
- Ohio University Trustee Award \$24,000
- State of Missouri Bright Flight Scholarship \$10,000
- St. Joseph's University Presidential Scholarship \$80,000
- St. Joseph's University Regis Grant \$20,000
- University of Rochester Scholarship \$48,000

Miles Shelfer

- State of Missouri Bright Flight Scholarship \$10,000
- University of Missouri Excellence Award \$10,800
- MSSU Presidential Scholarship \$7,000

Brendyn Taylor

- Mercy Hospital Business/Education Partnership Scholarship \$2,000
- Missouri Southern State University Presidential Scholarship \$7,000
- Missouri State University Board of Governors Scholarship \$20,000

Aaron Teeter

- Missouri Southern State University A+ Scholarship \$4,000
- Missouri Southern State University Presidential Scholarship \$7,000

Gracie Vogel

- Pittsburg State University Alumni Scholarship \$1,000

Thomas Zapletal

- Missouri Southern State University A+ Scholarship \$4,000
- MSSU Excellence Scholarship \$5,200

In order to be eligible for the President's Award for Educational Excellence, students must earn a grade point average of at least 3.5 and score a minimum of 22 on the ACT.

Students who earned this award were: Lawrence Asistido, Tommy Doyle, Sean Fogarty, Emily Freitas, Jake Freitas, Brian Guthery, Hunter Huthsing, Wilder James, Dylan Londo, Will Motazed, James Nguyen, Monica Onstot, Max Ostmeyer, Shea Schrader, Miles Shelfer, Brendyn Taylor, Aaron Teeter, and Thomas Zapletal.

In order to be eligible for the President's Award for Educational Achievement, students must show outstanding growth, improvement, commitment and intellectual development.

The students who earned this award were Brennan Adams, Emma Goodrich, Chandler Olmstead, and Gracie Vogel.

George Washington Carver Award is given by the Governor of Missouri to the top ten percent of the graduating class. The students who received this award were: Emily Freitas, Wilder James, Brendyn Taylor.

Seven members of the senior class, Emily Freitas, Monica Onstot, Gracie Vogel, Max Ostmeyer, Hunter Huthsing, Jacob Freitas, and William Motazed, will be traveling to Anaheim, California to compete at FBLA Nationals this July.

Emily Freitas, Jacob Freitas, William Motazed, Monica Onstot, and Shea Schrader graduated from the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce Tomorrow's Leaders Today class of 2017.

Graduation group photo:

Back Row left to right: Matt Lakey, Thomas Doyle, Chandler Olmstead, Dylan Londo, Max Ostmeyer, James Nguyen

Middle Back: Gavin Gannaway, William Motazed, Brian Guthery, Sean Fogarty, Aaron Teeter, Brennan Adams, Hunter Huthsing

Middle Front: Aaron Moran, Jacob Freitas, Shea Schrader, Emma Goodrich, Emily Freitas, Nicole Gurubel, Thomas Zapletal, Collin Lowry

Front: Wilder James, Miles Shelfer, Gracie Vogel, Monica Onstot, Alyssa Lopez, Alecsa Derganc, Brendyn Taylor, Lawrence Asistido