

Greene County H.S. bids farewell to graduates



While classmates and a few thousand friends and family look on, GCHS graduate Cameron Deakle shakes hands with Greene County Supt. of Education Charles L. Breland after receiving his diploma Friday night during Commencement for the Class of 2018.

GCHS issues 142 diplomas during Class of 2018 Commencement

From Staff Reports

GCHS Assistant Principal Richard Dickson called 142 seniors to the podium at the center of Wildcat Stadium last Friday, May 18, during the Class of 2018's Commencement ceremony. A strong wind caused brief disturbances, but inclement weather stayed away as Principal Scott Bray and Supt. of Education Charles L.

Breland awarded diplomas and congratulated the graduates on their big moment. Friends and family packed both sides of Wildcat Stadium for the event, which began with the GCHS Pride band leading the processional for graduates with a rendition of the traditional commencement anthem "Pomp and Circumstance". After the graduates were in position, Wesley Byrd gave a

brief ode to the Pledge of Allegiance and its significance for citizens professing 'loyalty and devotion' not just to the flag, but to a way of life... the American ideal. Bryce Johnson then asked attendees to stand as he and Byrd led classmates, officials and guests in the pledge. That was followed by a lovely performance of the "National Anthem" by Hallie Meadows. Class Secretary/Treasure Kalyn Dial then welcomed guests and extended thanks to those that helped the class members reach the milestone. "This evening is very special for all of us and is filled with an array of emotions," Dial said. "We would like to say a very special thank you to our families, friends, guardians, faculty and staff, our superintendent, and Greene County's Board of Education for helping to fill our lives

with the wisdom and knowledge we need to achieve our goals and follow our dreams. Without you, none of this would have been possible." "Tonight the Class of 2018 will begin our journey in the real world. Over the past four years, we have forged friendships that will last some of us the rest of our lives. We have grown together as a class and are each one leaving this place a better person for the experiences we have had. We have made our mark at Greene County High School, and now it is time for us to make our mark on the world." Next, Jenna Hillman read Scripture from Second Timothy (3:14). The scripture from the Bible captures the advice given to Timothy

from the Apostle Paul as he encouraged his friend to remember the things he had been taught and to stay strong in his faith. "As we dwell on this conversation between two friends, we, as a graduating class, can heed Paul's advice as well," graduate Dylan Jones told the crowd. "Let us never take for granted the opportunity to be a life-long learner and the generosity of those who stop to

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Senior Class President Hallie Meadows helped start Friday's ceremony at Wildcats Stadium with a beautiful rendition of "The National Anthem" and also had the privilege of closing out commencement exercises by leading the switching of tassels.



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Congratulations and best of luck to all our Graduates