

Class of 2018

South Fulton High School



Valedictorian
Hannah Carlisle

South Fulton High School's valedictorian for 2018 is Hannah Grace Carlisle of South Fulton.

She is the daughter of Brittney and Chris Carlisle.

She is a Tennessee Scholars and Challenge Program graduate.

She has been a member of the Beta Club, HOSA, Spanish Club and Fellowship of Christian Athletes for four years and Family, Career and Community Leaders of America for two years. A school leader, she served as the president of her class all four years of high school, was Beta Club vice president, HOSA president and Spanish Club secretary.

Miss Carlisle was the recipient of the Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizens Award; Union City Rotary Club Washington, D.C., trip; Girls State representative; and Veterans of Foreign Wars Voice of Democracy audio-essay winner. She was a two-year HOSA state winner, which allowed her to become a HOSA Nationals finalist.

Outside of school, she has been involved in Rotary Interact and the Obion County Junior Auxiliary Crown Club. She is an active member at Calvary Baptist Church in Union City. She has worked at The Citizens Bank in Fulton and was able to shadow at Evans Drug in Fulton and the Obion County Nursing Home near Union City during her senior year.

After graduation, Miss Carlisle has plans to attend the University of Tennessee at Martin to pursue a degree in chemistry, (See Page 10, Col. 1)



Salutatorian
Myah Jennings

Union City High School



Valedictorian
Benjamin Beard

Union City High School valedictorian Benjamin Beard graduated from the school's Magnet Program as a Tennessee Scholar.

He is the son of Celene and Bentley Beard.

While in high school, he took part in the soccer team, cross-country team, track team and the marching band. As a member of the cross-country team, he competed at the state meet in Murfreesboro, and during his senior year on the track team, he competed at the sectionals meet for the 4x800 relay.

He served as a member of the marching band leadership team both his junior and senior year and was the band's front sideline drum major during the 2017 marching season, in which the band competed at Grand Nationals in Indianapolis. He had the privilege to play the trombone in the All-West Band during his eighth-grade year and all four years of high school.

Throughout his high school career, Beard was a member of Beta Club, Key Club and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. During his senior year, he served as the president and head leader for Beta Club and FCA, respectively.

While in high school, he traveled to Puerto Rico and Honduras on mission trips.

He began piano lessons with Rita Winter in the third grade and now plays the piano for Lake Road Baptist Church during the morning and evening services on Sundays.

He plans to attend the University of Tennessee at Martin and study piano while

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Salutatorian
Lexie Culver

Obion County Central High School



Valedictorian
Anna Bright

Anna Bright of Troy has earned the designation of valedictorian at Obion County Central High School with a 4.0 grade point average.

She is the daughter of Amy Bright and John Bright.

Before becoming a Rebel, she was a Hillcrest Cougar.

While in high school, she was active in Beta Club, National Honor Society, Art Club, Health Occupations Students of America, Pep Club and STEM. She also earned recognition in the ACT 39 Club and was selected as a delegate at Volunteer Girls State in Nashville.

After her junior year, she traveled to Washington, D.C., on the Electric Cooperative Youth tour and visited seven European countries courtesy of the Union City Rotary Club.

She has been a Top 10 class member all four years of high school, was a Kiwanis Student of the Month and was chosen as the 2018 Student of the Year for OCCHS.

She is a two-time HOSA state champion; was awarded Best of Show for the past four years at the Obion County Fair art show, as well as at the high school art show; and won first in the state in the Patriotic Art Contest sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. She has received 22 end-of-the-year academic awards during high school.

"Out of all of these accomplishments, however, graduating valedictorian of my class is by far what I am most proud of," she said.

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Salutatorian
Sarah Kendall

Congratulations, Graduates!