

Meet the 2026 Forest Park High School Graduates

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Brendon Combs, of Birdseye, is the son of Trista Hillman and Christopher Hillman. Brendon plans to join the workforce to get money to make music and play live shows.

Kayla Corbett, of Jasper, is the daughter of Jennifer Heath and Jason Corbett. Kayla has participated in FACS Club, Spirit Club, HOSA and Theater. Kayla plans to attend the University of Southern Indiana to major in Dietetics.

Joselin Cruz, of Ferdinand, is the daughter of Jose Cruz and Yesenia Cruz. She plans to attend VUJC to major in Business Administration.

Jazzmyn Cummins, of Birdseye, is the daughter of Clint Cummins and Natasha Lynch. She was the recipient of Academic Honors all four years of high school and participated in FPHS musicals. Jazzmyn plans to attend Vincennes University's Jasper campus to major in Social Work.

Amber Cunningham, of Huntingburg, is the daughter of Valerie Messmer. Throughout high school, she earned a varsity letter by being a football manager. Amber has been an active member of Forest Park Color Guard. In addition, she participated in Forest Park Musical, Choir and FFA. After graduation, Amber plans to enlist in the Military.

Jocilynn Dayhoff, of Birdseye, is the daughter of Nikkia Anders and Jason Dayhoff. She plans on entering the workforce in the culinary arts field.

John DeWitte, of Birdseye, is the son of Susan and Duke DeWitte. He participated in band where he received Outstanding Sophomore and Junior, 2023 Junior All-State Band, 2024 All-District Band, and was part of the 2023 ISSMA State Champion Band. He was the 2025 Trumpet Section Leader and Horn Sergeant. John also participated in the 2026 Rose Parade in Pasadena, CA. In addition to marching band, he was a member of Concert, Jazz, and Pep Bands. Outside of band, he was a member of Community Impact, Indiana Youth and Government, swim, NHS, Natural Helpers, HOSA, FP Musicals, and Chorus. Additionally, he received his Eagle Scout Award in 2022. He plans to attend the University of Evansville to pursue a degree in Biochemistry.

Grace Englert, of St. Anthony, is the daughter of Brent Englert and Patty Barke. She participated in colorguard and musical. She is going to Ball State University for Psychology and Neuroscience.

Liv Evans, of Ferdinand, is the daughter of Jason and Crystal Evans. She is a 10 year member of the 4-H Horse and Pony Wranglers. Liv plans to go into the workforce after graduation.

Claudia Fest, of Schnellville, is the daughter of Clint Fest and Jayme Ford. Claudia is planning to attend Vincennes University Jasper for Nursing.

Alexander Fischer, of Schnellville, is the son of Doug and Andrea Fischer. He was a 2x recipient of Academic Awards. He is also graduating with Academic Honors. He was on the Tennis and Golf teams. Alex was named to PAC All-Conference in

Tennis in 2025. He is a member of Business Professionals of America and National Honor Society. Alex is a National Qualifier in Business Professionals of America. He is also involved with the Youth Group. Alex plans to attend Indiana State University in the fall to major in Finance.

Carson Fleck, of St. Anthony, is the son of Chris and Steve Fleck. He plans to enter the workforce after graduation.

Grant Fleck, of Ferdinand, is the son of Audrey and the late Bruce Fleck. He was the recipient of Academic Honors awards and received several athletic awards. He also was a member of SADD and BETA. Grant plans to attend Western Kentucky to major in business management.

Rheyse Fleck, of Ferdinand, is the daughter of Kurt and Stacy Fleck. She was the recipient of Academic Honors awards all four years of high school. She also received varsity letters on the softball and golf teams and was named Academic All-State Athlete for softball. Her membership and leadership roles include National Honor Society, BETA, Business Professionals of America, Student Council, Youth Group, Newspaper, and Community Impact. She was a National Business Professionals of America Torch Award Ambassador. Rheyse plans to attend Western Kentucky University to major in marketing and accounting.

Xander Fleig, of Ferdinand, is the son of John and Rebecca Fleig. He plans to go to IU East University to play golf and major in business.

Maddox Geyer, of Schnellville, is the son of Chris and Nancy Geyer. He received technical honors all four years and was honored with a varsity letter in Golf all four years of high school. Maddox plans to attend the North American Lineman Training Center (NALTC) after graduation.

Ryles Gogel, of Ferdinand, is the son of Rodney and April Gogel. He was a member of band for four years, he also participated in FFA his whole high school career and was the top fruit salesman for three years. A 10-year 4-H member, Ryles played golf during high school and also bowled for three years. He plans to attend Vincennes University to major in Agribusiness.

Ethan Goldman, of Birdseye, is the son of Zach and Amy Goldman. He participated in marching band for five years, and was a member of the 2023 Marching Band State Champions. In addition to marching band, he regularly participated in Jazz, Pep, and Concert band. Outside of band, he was active in the Forest Park Musical program for all four years of high school. After graduation, he plans to attend Hanover College to major in French, as well as obtaining his pilot's license to pursue a career in aviation.

Lucas Grieshaber, of Huntingburg, is the son of Jeremy and Stannye Hasenour. He plans on being a welder at Vendome Copper & Brass Works in Louisville, KY.

Carli Hagedorn, of Birdseye, is the daughter of Aaron and Shannon Hagedorn. She was the recipient of Academic Honors awards all four years of high school. Captain of the dance team her junior and

senior years, Carli received state champion titles for all four years of her dance career. She also competed at the national level in 2024 and 2025 and received 3rd place in two categories. She played volleyball and received a varsity letter her junior year and the IHSVCA Gold Award for Academic All State. Her memberships include Rangers for Christ, National Honor Society, Beta, and FACS. Carli plans to attend Indiana State University to major in kinesiology and go on a pre-OT track.

Jace Hasenour, of Schnellville, is the son of Dean and Tiffany Hasenour. He plans to enter the workforce after graduation.

Jansen Hawkins, of Huntingburg, is the daughter of Christopher and Rachel Hoblitzel. Jansen has been a member of the 2025 Ranger Choir ISSMA Solo & Ensemble State Qualifiers, earning a silver rating. She has been part of Forest Park Chorus as well as Indiana Educators Rising during her year at Forest Park. Jansen plans to attend Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Illinois to major in English Secondary Education and minor in Communications.

Garrett Hill, of Grandview, is the son of Chris and Angie Hill. He plans on entering the Evansville local electricians union after he graduates.

Riley Hinson, of Ferdinand, is the daughter of Karl and Rachel Hinson. She was the recipient of Academic Honors awards all four years of high school. She was named Academic All-State her junior and senior year in track and field, cross country, and soccer. She earned varsity letters in track and field, cross country, soccer, cheer, and basketball. Her memberships included National Honor Society, BETA club, Student Council, Student Athletic Council, and SADD. Riley plans to attend Purdue University to major in Elementary Education.

Conner Hochgesang, of Ferdinand, is the son of Derek and Crystal Hochgesang. He received his varsity letters in Soccer, Track and Swimming. He also received multiple awards in all three sports. Conner was also a member of youth groups and Business Professionals of America and received Academic Honors Award and The Academic Merit Scholarship from ISU. He also became an Eagle Scout. Conner will be attending Indiana State University and majoring in Professional Aviation and Flight Technologies.

Grace Hulsman, of Huntingburg, is the daughter of John and Nicole Hulsman. She was the recipient of Academic Honors awards for all four years of high school. She participated in many art classes through the years, and has had her art displayed in a variety of art shows. Grace plans on attending Roger's Academy to receive her Cosmetology License.

Carson Jacob, of Schnellville, is the son of Rodney and Debbie Jacob. He played in Football his senior year. He was also a member of the G2 Youth Group throughout his high school career. Carson plans to attend the University of Southern Indiana to major in business management.

Anna Jahn, of Ferdinand, is the daughter of Jeff and Jenny Jahn. She was a recipient of Academic

Honors all four years of high school, Academic All State, and a varsity letter in volleyball and tennis. She was a member of Student Council, Business Professionals of America, Community Impact, National Honor Society, and Beta. Anna plans to attend Purdue University to major in marketing.

Jacob Keller, of Ferdinand, is the son of Joe and Kayla Keller. He was the recipient of Academic Honors awards all four years of high school. Jacob has also received several awards outside of school including Eagle Scout and DAR Good Citizens award. Jacob was part of the swim team, earning a varsity letter and the 2023 mental attitude award. He was involved in marching band, serving as Horn Sergeant and Melophone section leader in 2025. He was a member of the choir and choir club; math, science, social studies, and fine arts academic bowl teams; concert and jazz band; musical; National Honor Society; BETA club; and G.A.M.E. club. Outside of school, he was a member of Scouting America (formerly Boy Scouts of America), Indiana Youth and Government, and a four year member of the Indiana All-State Choir. Jacob is attending Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology for Engineering Design.

Taryn Lamkin, of Birdseye, is the daughter of Brandon Lamkin and Amanda Calderon. She was the recipient of Academic Honors in 2025 and 2026. She is a member of the Ranger CARES club and was a member of the marching band color guard for five years. Taryn plans to attend the University of Southern Indiana to major in social work.

Collin Lorey, of Ferdinand, is the son of Duane and Amy Lorey. He received an Academic Award his senior year. He attended Christ the King Youth Group in Ferdinand all four years. He was a member of the Rangers 4-H Club for several years, and won numerous Grand Champions in sport fishing, and one Grand Champion in Aquatic Science. He was a member of the Forest Park Boy's Golf Team and was a Varsity Letterman all four years of high school. He was a member of the musical for four years and participated in the marching band for two years where he won one state championship. Collin plans to attend Ivy Tech Community College to study Industrial Technology.

Autumn Lough, of Ferdinand, is the daughter of Vanessa Weyer and Josh Lough. She participated in concert band and marching band. She received academic honors all four years of high school. Autumn plans to attend the University of Southern Indiana to major in social work.

Ellaina Lehmkuhler, of Huntingburg and Bristow, is daughter of Greg Lehmkuhler and Theresa Merkle. Ellaina received the Rangers Lead the Way award in 2023. She was involved in choir and theater. She plans to attend USI for social work and work in ways to help people in the future.

Gage Lubbers, of Birdseye, is the son of Jesse Lubbers. He plans on attending the University of Southern Indiana for a four year degree.

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