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56th Annual Commencement May 18, 2025

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COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY 2025

Please silence cell phones and electronic devices before the start of the ceremony.

GRADUATION RECEPTION

Following the commencement ceremony, graduates, their families and friends are cordially invited to join faculty and staff at a reception in the Technology Center, Building D, Room 208 and the Quad Area.

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY 2025

Processional (please stand)

Pomp & Circumstance

The Star Spangled Banner

Ana Lopez, Vocalist

Opening Remarks

Dr. Mary Way Bolt, President

Greetings

Mr. Raymond W. Hamm, Jr., Board of Trustees

Student Reflection Speakers

Patricia L. Anderson

Oreoluwa Daniel Onasanya

Angela Marie Teague

Melitza Victoria-Escobar

Presentation of Awards

Outstanding Student Awards presented by Dr. Jennifer Scott-Greenfield, Academic Senate President

Musical Selection

"For Good" by Stephen Schwartz

Ana Lopez, Vocalist

Presentation of Candidates

Dr. Christy Dryer, Vice President of Academic Programs

Conferring of Degrees and Certificates

Dr. Mary Way Bolt, President

Closing Remarks

Dr. Mary Way Bolt, President

Recessional (please stand)

Triumphal March



Dear Graduates,

On behalf of the entire Cecil College community, I offer my heartfelt congratulations to each and every one of you on the successful completion of your academic journey. The Class of 2025 has demonstrated unparalleled perseverance, resilience, and dedication, and today, we come together to celebrate your remarkable achievements.

Earning your degree or certificate is no small accomplishment. Along the way, you've confronted challenges, adapted to ever-changing circumstances, and remained steadfast in pursuit of your goals. Whether in the classroom, online, in labs, or through community involvement, you have proven yourselves to be scholars, leaders, and agents of change.

It has been an honor to witness your growth—not only in your academic pursuits but also in your personal and professional development. By choosing Cecil College as your foundation, you've made an indelible mark on this institution, and we are immensely proud to have been a part of your journey. Our faculty and staff have been continually inspired by your passion and commitment, and we are confident that the future is brighter because of the vision, talent, and compassion you bring into the world.

I would also like to extend my deepest gratitude to the families, friends, mentors, and peers who have supported you along the way. Your success is a shared triumph, made possible by the unwavering belief and encouragement of those who stood by you.

As you embark on the next chapter—whether transferring to a four-year university, stepping into a new career, or continuing to hone your craft—remember that the knowledge, confidence, and skills you've gained here at Cecil College will serve as a strong foundation for your future. You are equipped to make an impact in our county, state, and beyond.

As proud alumni of Cecil College, you will always be part of this community. Stay connected, continue striving for excellence, and never underestimate the power of your dreams. We are cheering you on as you move forward and own your future.

Congratulations, Class of 2025! We believe in you, and we can't wait to see where your journey takes you.

Warmest wishes.

Mary Way Bolt
Mary Way Bolt, EdD

President

STUDENT REFLECTION SPEAKERS



Patricia L. Anderson

Patricia is a proud mother of three wonderful children, a devoted fiancé, a caring daughter and a good friend. Those close to her describe her as caring, funny, loyal, a little weird and an all-around good person. She was not always this way when she was younger, but the people she has surrounded herself with have helped shape her into the person she is today. When she feels that she is not good enough or strong enough, they remind her that she is. While she has a loving family, they haven't always been the strongest supporters. Instead, the ones that support

her most are the people in her life now; they are her family. Trisha has faced many struggles in life, from school to friendships and life itself, but she's grown stronger thanks to the support of her professors, friends, children and those who truly believe in her.

Her personal motto is: "You can do anything that you put your mind to, no matter how old you are."

Trisha lives by this motto because she wants her children to know that it doesn't matter how old they are, that they can do anything. She started sharing this with her children back in college at the age of 32, and now, at 45, has completed an Associate of Science Degree in Criminal Justice. By continuing her education later in life, she hopes to show her children that it's okay to make new choices and to change direction, no matter where they are in life. Trisha wants them to feel empowered to follow their own paths and know that it's never too late to start again.



Oreoluwa Daniel Onasanya

Driven by a profound desire to care for others, Oreoluwa, a proud Nigerian national, embraced his true calling in nursing after earning a Bachelor's Degree in Zoology. His nursing journey highlights the transformative power of following one's passion. While his initial studies lay in the sciences, Oreoluwa's deep compassion and aspiration to positively impact lives led him to pursue an Associate of Science Degree in Nursing.

Beyond his academic pursuits, Oreoluwa enjoys traveling and meeting new people, broadening his perspectives and fostering connections. He also finds solace and inspiration in listening to music.

A member of the esteemed Alpha Alpha Theta (AAT) Honor Society at Cecil College, Oreoluwa's dedication, empathy and perseverance shine through. His keen interest in critical care fuels his aspiration to become an Intensive Care Unit (ICU) nurse. Committed to lifelong learning, Oreoluwa is poised to deliver exceptional patient care.

His personal motto is: "Do your best and let God do the rest."

STUDENT REFLECTION SPEAKERS



Melitza Victoria-Escobar

Melitza is a first-generation college student earning her Associate of Arts Degree in Social Work. She is planning to transfer to Salisbury University or University of Maryland at Baltimore County (UMBC) to continue her career in the Social Work field and ultimately earn her master's degree. Throughout her time at Cecil College, Melitza academically achieved the President's List for several semesters. Her passion for helping others extends beyond the classroom as she found

fulfillment in volunteering with the American Red Cross, contributing to meaningful causes and supporting those in need.

Her personal motto is: "El que guiere, puede" which translates to "The one who wants it, can."



Angela Marie Teague

Angela is an honors student originally from Delaware County, earning her Associate Degree in Fine Arts with a concentration in Studio Arts and Drawing and Painting. She will complete her Art History concentration in August. A dedicated mother, musician, good friend and fan of horror movies and cartoons, Angela is a passionate and expressive artist. She credits her success with her ability to grow in the face of challenges all the while searching for glimmers in her daily life.

She will navigate a crowded room to compliment a stranger all the while she is her own harshest critic. Angela plans to continue her education by pursuing a bachelor's degree at Towson University, with the long-term goal of earning a master's degree from the University of Delaware. She is actively searching for employment opportunities that provide her with creative challenges and the chance to help other people smile.

Her personal motto is: "And above all, watch with glittering eyes the whole world around you because the greatest secrets are always hidden in the most unlikely places. Those who don't believe in magic will never find it." – Roald Dahl

The Donald M. Thomey Outstanding Student Award recognizes the student who is graduating with an Associate Degree, has the highest grade point average as of May and has taken all of their course work at Cecil College.



Holly A. Adams

Holly is excited to be graduating with her Associate of Science Degree in Biology with a concentration in Environmental Science. She is incredibly grateful to her professors who have aided in her academic development during her time at Cecil College. She would specifically like to thank Dr. Thomas Keller and Professor Christine Warwick, who taught her important academic skills and encouraged her professional pursuits.

She is a proud member of the Alpha Alpha Theta (AAT) Honor Society at Cecil College. Additionally, she has been recognized on the President's List for her academic achievements each semester she has attended Cecil College. She is happy to have been able to participate in Cecil College STEM Night multiple times, which has helped her strengthen her communication and professional skills.

Alongside her studies, Holly has participated in an Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) internship at an ecotoxicology lab. Through this research program, she discovered her love for soil science and entomology.

Beyond academics, she has played the cello for ten years and has been a member of various community orchestras. She is also an active member of The Friends of the Bohemia River Watershed Conservation Organization, which advocates for the protection of the Chesapeake Bay and its tributary rivers.

She plans to complete her bachelor's degree at the University of Delaware and eventually pursue an advanced degree in her field. Holly is happy to have been a student at Cecil College and is grateful for the accessibility and high-quality instruction she received during her two years.



William Benjamin

William will be graduating from Cecil College with an Associate Degree in General Studies through the Early College Academy (ECA) at Elkton High School. He plans to continue his education at a four-year university, pursuing a degree in chemical engineering with the goal of entering the field of research & development.

He is grateful for the guidance of professors like Dr. Gaspare and Dr. Edlin, whose insightful feedback has strengthened his foundation in

English and mathematics. William is a member of the Alpha Alpha Theta (AAT) Honor Society at Cecil College, which he has volunteered for over 30 hours.

William extends his thanks to all Cecil College staff for their support, which allowed him to confidently pursue his goals. He would also like to recognize his advisor, April Stern,

Director of Advising and Dual Enrollment for guiding him through the ECA program and helping him immensely with scheduling.

In addition to his academic pursuits, William has developed a passion for both learning and teaching, as he works nearby at Calvert Elementary School. He also hopes to continue playing the trumpet for the school band of his chosen four-year university.



Victoria Taylor England

Tori began attending Cecil College at age 14 through the Early College Academy (ECA) at Oxford Area High School. She is grateful for the opportunity to earn college credits while completing high school. She is a member of the Alpha Alpha Theta (AAT) Honor Society at Cecil College and served as a class officer for Oxford Area High School's Class of 2025.

Growing up on a family farm, Tori has been actively involved in raising and caring for various animals, including beef cows, calves, goats, lambs, pigs, chickens and ducks.

After graduation, Tori will pursue a degree in Pre-Veterinary Medicine as part of the Honors Program at the University of Delaware. She plans to continue her education in veterinary school, working toward her lifelong dream of becoming a veterinarian.



Meredith Jane Griffin

Meredith has earned her Associate Degree in General Studies through the Early College Academy (ECA) at Oxford Area High School, maintaining a 4.0 GPA throughout her studies. A dedicated scholar and member of the Alpha Alpha Theta (AAT) Honor Society at Cecil College, Meredith has demonstrated both academic excellence and a passion for learning.

She credits much of her inspiration and growth to the mentorship and guidance of Dr. Jennifer Levi and Professor Candace Vogelsong.

Meredith will continue her academic journey at West Chester University, where she plans to pursue a degree in finance.

DONALD M. THOMEY OUTSTANDING STUDENT AWARD



Caleb Edward Leffew

Caleb is graduating from Cecil College with an Associate of Science Degree in Mechanical, Aerospace and Civil Engineering, as well as Engineering Science. He began his academic journey at Cecil College in the fall of 2023. His time at Cecil College not only strengthened his technical skills but also confirmed that engineering was the perfect path for him. Through hands-on learning, problem-solving experiences and collaboration with peers and faculty, Caleb developed a deeper appreciation in the field of engineering.

Beyond academics, Caleb embraced the values of perseverance, critical thinking and continuous learning. His dedication to excellence was recognized as he earned a place on the Cecil College President's List for his outstanding academic achievements each semester. He is especially grateful for the unwavering support of his professors, advisors and the entire Cecil College community, whose guidance and encouragement helped shape his academic journey. Their mentorship and dedication provided him with the confidence and knowledge to excel in his studies and prepare for the next step in his career.

Caleb will continue his education at the University of Delaware, where he will pursue a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering. As he moves forward, he carries with him the lessons and values he gained at Cecil College, eager to contribute to the field and make a meaningful impact as an engineer.



Liam Macomber

Liam is very proud to be graduating with an Associate Degree in Marketing. He would first like to thank his advisor, Allison Cox, for making registering for courses easy and helping him find ways to optimize his semester schedules. Liam would also like to thank his professors for their incredible knowledge and compassion, which helped him to effectively learn course materials and excel in his courses.

Liam's goal after graduation is to start building his career, with hopes of finding a job in the banking or finance field. During his two years at Cecil College, he discovered a strong interest in these fields and is especially thankful to Cathy Lee and the Career Services team for helping him discover this interest.

After graduation, Liam will continue working at the Milburn Stone Theatre and take courses to further his education. He extends his appreciation to Dann Combs and Andrew Mitchell for being incredible mentors and making the theatre a place that he enjoys working at.

Liam would also like to thank Cheryl Davis-Robinson, Arshaneka Fountain and Kelsey Jakubac for providing him with many opportunities to gain real-world knowledge, experience and connections through events like the Reality Fair hosted by APGFCU and Student Advocacy Day. It has been a pleasure and an honor to be a work-study student for the Student Life Office, as their compassion has helped Liam grow and foster his skills as an individual.

Finally, Liam is grateful to his mother, who has gone above and beyond her duty as a mother to support him in every step of his life. From childhood to now, she has supported him through many tough times and acted as an anchor for him to build his foundation upon. He would not be where he is today accepting this award if it were not for her many sacrifices, and for that he gives his greatest thanks.



Brayden P. Onick

Brayden attended Cecil College since beginning high school as part of the Early College Academy (ECA) at Oxford Area High School. Throughout his time at Cecil College, he has strived to work hard and is part of the Alpha Alpha Theta (AAT) Honor Society at Cecil College.

Brayden is very grateful for the assistance and opportunities Cecil College has offered him. He looks forward to continuing his education at a four-year college, where he plans to pursue a degree in marketing.



Zelene-Zi Piagoda

Zelene-Zi has attended Cecil College since the age of 14 through the Early College Academy (ECA) at Elkton High School. Cecil College has been an extremely welcoming and friendly environment that has allowed her to connect with many hard-working students and professors. Some of her favorite memories include studying outdoors during the spring. After graduating from Cecil College, she plans to pursue a degree in mechanical engineering with a specialization in aerospace.

Beyond her academic achievements, Zelene-Zi has been a member of Elkton High School's National Honor Society and Student Council, as well as a volunteer at the Chesapeake Feline Association. She thanks her advisor, April Stern, Director of Advising and Dual Enrollment, for her support and encouragement over the last four years. She also thanks all of her professors that have pushed her to continue studying and improving during her academic career.



Niki Ratledge

Niki has attended Cecil College part-time since 2023, having already completed her bachelor's degree at Strayer University. After a recent job change, she decided to pursue classes in management, which led to her obtaining an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Management. Niki has a passion for learning and was on the President's List every semester at Cecil College.

Continuing her educational journey, Niki is pursuing her Master of Business Administration in Information Technology Management at Western Governors University.



Iessica Ortizo Reed

Jessica has attended Cecil College through the Early College Academy (ECA) at Elkton High School since she was 14. She is very proud to be graduating with an Associate of Arts in General Studies along with her high school diploma. Jessica has had a great experience at Cecil College, with biology and technical writing being her favorite classes. During her time at Cecil College, she realized her love for the sciences and intends to pursue a career in medicine.

Jessica plans to attend the University of Maryland as a public health science major before continuing to attend physician assistant school. She would like to thank all the professors and mentors who have guided and supported her significantly throughout the last four years.



Donald Robert Snell

Donald is proud to graduate with honors from Cecil College with his Associate of Applied Science Degree in Supply Chain Management. He is immensely grateful for the support and guidance from the college's faculty and staff, who fostered his passion for writing, critical thinking, logistics, leadership and project management. Furthermore, he wishes to extend his gratitude to his family and his partner, whose unwavering encouragement and support have made this journey possible.

During his time at Cecil College, Donald immersed himself in his coursework and extracurricular activities, developing skills essential to the modern supply chain industry. He achieved remarkable academic success as a student taking courses online, earning a 4.0 GPA and achieving the President's List for all four semesters at Cecil College. He is also a member of the Alpha Alpha Theta (AAT) Honor Society at Cecil College. Donald's commitment to academic excellence and community engagement has set a strong foundation for future endeavors.

Donald looks forward to continuing his supply chain and project management studies at Towson University. He aims to contribute to sustainable and strategic logistics solutions related to critical infrastructure. In his free time, he enjoys hiking, traveling and exploring new ways to boost productivity. He is excited to see where his education and experiences will take him next.



Ein Roger Stephens

Ein began his academic journey at Cecil College after completing the fall 2023 semester at Harford Community College (HCC). It was during his time at HCC that he discovered Cecil College's Associate of Applied Science Degree in Simulation Design and Gaming. With a passion for entering the game development industry, he made the decision to transfer immediately.

Since joining Cecil College, Ein has excelled academically, earning a place on the President's List for the spring 2024 semester. He is also the proud recipient of the Donald M. Thomey Outstanding Student Award.

Ein's journey in simulation design and gaming has been significantly influenced by Professor Jonathan Cone, who teaches Introduction to Game Design and other pivotal courses in the program. Professor Cone's guidance and mentorship have been invaluable, and Ein is deeply grateful for the support from him that has influenced Ein's aspirations in game development.



James Allen Worton

After suffering a shoulder injury, James made the decision to return to Cecil College and is now graduating with an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Cybersecurity. During his time at Cecil College, he has thoroughly enjoyed many classes, particularly those with Dr. James Morgan, and the in-depth discussions in the Cybersecurity Club. He would also like to thank Dr. Clarence Orsi for inspiring him to bring out his best in literary efforts and to Professor Drach for being a phenomenal statistics instructor.

James will continue his education to pursue his bachelor's in cybersecurity. He is eager to start looking in the field to begin his career while continuing his education. He will continue to live by the values that brought him to the position he is in today. James is truly grateful for the decision to come back to Cecil College to pursue his education.



Holly A. Adams

Department of Science and Technology –
Biological Sciences – Environmental Science

Holly has demonstrated mastery of biological and environmental science concepts and laboratory skills in all the science courses she has taken at Cecil College. Holly will continue her education at the University of Delaware, where she plans to earn a Bachelor's Degree in Biology with an interest in pursuing a career in entomology or

soil science. Holly has been active in presenting her scientific research at Cecil College STEM nights, as well as at environmental conferences through her internship research on sustainable soil conservation practices in agriculture.



Jacob A. Carson Department of Science and Technology – Cybersecurity

Jacob is a dedicated cybersecurity student with a passion for securing digital systems, automation and offensive security. He is also a tutor at Cecil College for Introduction to Computer Forensics and Investigation. His excitement for the field of computer science has led him to continuously improve his skills through self-directed learning, including hands-on practice with TryHackMe. Offensive security is

where his passion lies. While programming plays a major role, especially in automation, the opportunity to analyze systems and networks by simulating attacks is what truly engages him. Not only is it a challenging field, but it also allows him to contribute to securing the communities he is dedicated to protecting.



Emma Marie Dillon Department of Human Services – Criminal Justice

While at Cecil College, Emma has excelled in her criminal justice studies, showcasing a deep understanding of key concepts across all her courses. In addition to being academically sound in her scholarship, she is always vocal and active in the classroom, taking an active role in her education. Emma plans to continue her education at Towson University where she will earn a Bachelor's Degree in Forensic

Chemistry. She plans to use her education and work with forensic evidence in a crime lab.



Mattson Richard Gaskill Department of Arts & Visual Communications – Music

Mattson is a musician who has been playing tenor sax in bands and orchestras throughout Cecil County. He has performed in concerts at Elkton Station in a variety of ensembles and has also been a prominent member of the Upper Chesapeake Community Band for the last two years. Mattson is excited to be graduating and moving on to the next stage of his musical journey.



Harley Beth Grevera

Department of Health Sciences – Physical Therapist Assistant
Harley has exhibited proficiency in physical therapy concepts, showcasing strong organizational skills and a deep commitment to learning throughout the Physical Therapist Assistant courses at Cecil College. She is a dedicated student who demonstrates excellent academic mastery, clinical skills and professionalism. Harley plans to work with the geriatric patient population in the subacute rehabilitation setting after graduation.



Victoria Hallowell

Department of Math, Engineering and Physics – Math & Physics
Victoria is an ambitious student, earning degrees in both mathematics
and physics. She started college while still in high school, which
she finished a year early. Victoria's dedication is evident in the long
hours she spent in the Academic Success Center studying with fellow
classmates, tutoring students in math and proctoring Testing Center
exams. She earned high praise from her professors, who have proudly
watched her grow into an exceptional student. Victoria plans to earn a bachelor's degree in
a dual major in mathematics and physics.



Karoline Mackenzie Karlton

Raroline Mackenzie Karlton
Department of English and Humanities – English
In the English Department, Karoline is known by the faculty and her classmates for her quiet resolve and dedicated work ethic. Whether she is analyzing the poetry of Puritan colonist Anne Bradstreet or the headstrong protagonist of Kate Chopin's "The Awakening," Karoline gives voice to the challenges women face when balancing society's demands and their own ambitions. Her Gender Studies final paper reveals her ability to use research to propose actionable solutions to barriers to women's equality. With her unique literary analyses, Karoline is sure to be a valuable asset to Millersville University

as she continues her studies.



Caleb Edward Leffew

Department of Math, Engineering and Physics – Engineering
Caleb, a lifelong resident of Cecil County, is graduating with a degree in Engineering. He has shown outstanding dedication and extra effort in group projects, such as building a trebuchet, as well as his individual projects through modeling the Otto cycle in Thermodynamics. During his time at Cecil College, he supported his own education by working in retail. He will continue his academic journey at the University of Delaware, where he will pursue his Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering.



Heather Nicole Leffew Department of Health Sciences - Nursing

While at Cecil College, Heather has demonstrated mastery of nursing theory and clinical judgement. Heather is recognized for her delivery of competent and compassionate nursing care while enrolled in the nursing program. Heather is also a member of Alpha Delta Nu, the honor society for associate degree nursing programs. She demonstrates many of the characteristics of a professional nurse: compassion, inquisitiveness, courage, perseverance and application of innovative and thoughtful problem-solving to nursing. Heather will be a wonderful addition to the nursing profession.



Liam Macomber Department of Business - Marketing

Liam is graduating with an Associate of Applied Science in Marketing after taking a rigorous course load including face-to-face, hybrid and online courses. Liam's professors, as well as fellow students, have

online courses. Liams professors, as well as fellow students, have witnessed his unwavering commitment to academic excellence. Liam is a member of the Alpha Alpha Theta (AAT) Honor Society at Cecil College and has earned a spot on the President's List for his high academic achievement. This recognition is further highlighted by the Donald M. Thomey Outstanding Student Award, which he will receive upon graduation. After Cecil College, Liam plans to jump right into the workforce and start building hands-on work experience. His goal is to secure a job in the financial industry sector.



Connor Devin McClintick

Department of Human Sciences – Sports Management
While at Cecil College, Connor has demonstrated a strong proficiency in breaking down difficult sports management concepts. His hard work, passion for learning and positive impact on his peers have set him apart as a model student in the field of Sports Management. Connor plans to utilize his degree working somewhere in sports as he has a strong passion for helping athletes, coaches and teams reach their full potential.



Delaney Helene Stanley Department of Human Services - Education

As a teacher education major, Delaney has distinguished herself as an exceptional student, earning recognition for her academic excellence and professionalism at Cecil College. Known for her meticulous approach, she consistently produces high-quality work that stands out among peers. As a future educator, Delaney will foster a joyful learning environment and inspire students to reach their full potential. Her dedication and commitment will support her success as she continues her studies at Towson University, pursuing a dual major in elementary and special education.



Jonathan A. Sten **Department of Human Services - Paralegal**

As a paralegal studies major, Jonathan has been recognized for his exemplary academic performance and professionalism throughout his studies at Cecil College. Jonathan pays careful attention to his work, is passionate and engaged in his studies. He is pursuing a paralegal studies degree to start his journey towards law school. Jonathan plans on continuing his education at the University of Maryland College Park.



Angela Marie Teague

Angela Marie Teague
Department of Arts & Visual Communications – Art & Design
Angie's creativity, dedication and academic excellence makes her a standout student in the Art and Design Program. Her work ethic and talent inspire both her peers and professors. She is consistently recognized for her exceptional work and contributions to the arts. Angie is graduating with an Associate of Fine Arts and plans to further her education with both a bachelor's and master's degree in art. She aspires to teach at the collegiate level, showcase her work in public art shows and establish

her own business.



Melitza Victoria-Escobar Department of Human Services - Social Work

Melitza exemplifies the key characteristics of a social worker through the compassion and hard work demonstrated in her studies at Cecil College. Melitza has earned an academic achievement on the Dean's List while successfully balancing a work-study position, a part-time job and volunteering with the Red Cross. Melitza plans to pursue a Bachelor of Social Work and Master of Social Work at Salisbury University or University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC), aspiring to work in child welfare. Melitza's academic achievements are a clear indication of her dedication and

desire to make a positive impact on children's lives and create meaningful change in her community.



Brooke Leanne Weatherington
Department of Arts & Visual Communications –
Visual Communications/Simulation Design & Gaming
Brooke earned both Dean's List and President's List while completing
her Associate of Applied Science in Simulation Design and Gaming.
Her main focus is illustration, and she's been developing a long-term
comic project called Shadow, which has helped shape her skills in
character design and world-building. Brooke plans to take a gap year
to work before transferring to a university with a study abroad program in Japan, where she
hopes to keep growing as an artist and storyteller.



Matthew Vaughan Weisbrod Department of Human Sciences – Exercise Science

While at Cecil College, Matthew has demonstrated mastery of complex exercise science concepts in all his courses. He is a dedicated student with excellent written, verbal and laboratory skills. With his degree, Matthew plans to help individuals live healthier lives through proper eating and exercise habits.

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

Samuel Adams	Psychology
Mckayla Jean Alexander	
Aiden Allen	General Studies*
Amber Dawn Bremer Atkinson	
Charlie Bach	
Ayla K. Badur	General Studies^
Landon D. Baker	General Studies^
William Benjamin	
Kendall Berstler	
Brianna Lilian Biddle	
Brooke Britton	
Judi Brown	
Megan Brown	
Alayjha Lynn Butcher	
Sarah A. Butkus Lauren M. Callahan	
Samantha Lee Chamberlain	
Madeline Mae Chappell	
Madeline Grace Clark	
Kylen Cooper-Campbel	
Grace Corcoran	
Silas J. Crowley	
Salvador Cruz	
Dan Frank Curry	
Hope N. Donovan	
Myla Edmondson	
Mycah G. Edwards	
Carly Nicole Eller	Social Work
Victoria Taylor England	General Studies^
Madison Ewing	
Connor Finnan	
Teagen Ford	
Olivia Gentile	
Natalie Ann Ginski	· ·
Jermaine Semaj Goodwyn	
Genesis Nevaeh Victoria Green	
Meredith Jane Griffin	
Perren Gyan	
Andrew Tver Hammond	
Jeramiah W. Harkins	
Mary Ann Harrison	
Savannah K. Helton	
Sienna Hillard	
Boden David Howell	
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Jackson Ray Janusz	
Sasha Maria Jorstad	
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Logan James Joyce	General Studies^
Boi Magdalene Marie Kailey	General Studies
Karoline Mackenzie Karlton	
Nolan Carter Keithley	
Destiny Ann Kleinsasser	
Natalie Anne Kocher	
Kaelyn Elizabeth Kondracki	
Thomas John Konetski III	
Katarina Dawn Kuchera	
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James Anthony LaManna III	General Studies^
Giovanni Baptista Malatesta	
Brady William Martin	
Kristina Liana Meadows	
Gina Miller	
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Matthew Thomas Murdock	
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	Supply Chain Management
	Horticultural Science
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MacKenzie Halsey	Accounting
Savannah K. Helton	Hospitality Management
	Management
Cornelius A. Jennings Sr	Supply Chain Management
Aubrey Irene Lovelace	
Steven Gary Martin Jr	
Jillian Carol Merbach	
Keira Skye Merritt	Biological Laboratory Skills
Salem Pies	Hospitality Management
Stacey Jo Fenstermaker	
Carley Lee Pruett	
Elizabeth Rovine	Pre-Veterinary Technician*
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Sarah Shull	
Brieanna Elizabeth Rae Simpson	
	Visual Communications - Web Design and Multimedia
Stepfanie Lynn Stottlemyer	Visual Communications - Professional Photography
Brianna Ubanda-Reyes	
	Visual Communications - Professional Photography
Brooke Leanne Weatherington	Visual Communication - Simulation Design and Gaming
	Personal Trainer/Fitness Manager
Brandy Imelda Yankmi	

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Homeschool

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Oxford Area High School

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THE ALL-MARYLAND ACADEMIC TEAM OF 2025

The All-Maryland Academic Team award recognizes outstanding academic performance and service to Cecil College and the community. It is sponsored by the Maryland Association of Community Colleges, The Maryland Council of Community College Presidents, and Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society. Cecil College's recipients for the 2025 academic team are:

Tara Cappelli Stephanie Lynn David

Alpha Alpha Theta Honor Society Class of 2025

Alpha Alpha Theta (AAT) is Cecil College's chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the only internationally acclaimed honor society serving two-year institutions. The purpose of AAT is to recognize and encourage scholarship. Membership is denoted by the wearing of a cord, stole and tassel.

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GRADUATED WITH HONORS

HIGHEST HONORS

A graduate in a degree program completing at least 30 semester hours at Cecil College and a cumulative GPA of 3.75 or higher will graduate "with Highest Honors" as signified by the wearing of a purple tassel.

HONORS

A graduate in a degree program completing at least 30 semester hours at Cecil College and a cumulative GPA of 3.50 to 3.74 will graduate "with Honors" as signified by the wearing of a red tassel.

DISTINCTION

A graduate in a certificate program completing at least 15 credits at Cecil College and a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or higher will graduate "with Distinction" as signified by the wearing of a blue tassel.

ACADEMIC REGALIA

The traditional black caps and gowns worn in the academic procession have been the costume of scholars since medieval times when students and teachers wore long gowns and hoods for protection against the cold of unheated buildings. For faculty regalia, the most colorful and distinctive part of the academic costume is the hood which passes around the neck and extends down the back. The color of the velvet edging indicates the wearer's field of study. The colors of the silk lining exposed in the center of the hood are those of the college or university that conferred the degree. The cap, or mortarboard, is the most popular design for all degrees. The tassel may be black or the color of the field of study. A soft tam may be worn by the person with a doctorate degree. The tassel of the doctorate's cap may be gold.

The stoles are worn by the Early College Academy (ECA) and Alpha Alpha Theta (AAT) Chapter Members. In addition, AAT Chapter Members are denoted by the wearing of a cord, stole and tassel.

PHOTOGRAPHS

A professional photographer will take photographs of graduates as Dr. Bolt congratulates them on their accomplishments.

Special thanks to:
Deafinitions & Interpreting, LLC, for today's signers,
Margaret Lyman and Heather Ulmen.

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Oh, Seahawks

How often have you wondered As you walk these halls together Just who you really are? Has your mind been always open? Have you tried to find a friend? And will you go far?

Oh, Seahawk, look skyward And like a free bird, fly free! And like a free bird, soar higher And with joy – find your destiny!

How often have you wondered As you walk the halls of Cecil Just what the future holds for you? Did you search out all the knowledge That your mind could comprehend? Did you leave a legacy to view?

• Refrain •

And as I pause and ponder These years together, How clear they seem to be ... I know that in the future These memories may dim, But they'll always be a part of me.

• Refrain •

Words by Janet H. Lunsford Music by Ed Hockersmith

HISTORY OF CECIL COLLEGE

Cecil College was founded in 1968 to meet the postsecondary and continuing education needs of Cecil County residents. The College is governed by a Board of Trustees appointed by the governor. The College's president, Dr. Mary Way Bolt, is the fifth president of the College.

Cecil College is a small, publicly funded, open-access institution that promotes educational, cultural, and economic development in an ever-evolving county in rural, northeastern Maryland. The faculty and staff are dedicated to providing an optimal education in an environment that fosters social responsibility and appreciation for cultural diversity. Cecil College offers high-quality associate degrees, certificates, and transfer opportunities as well as career and continuing education courses and programs. These options are designed to help students prepare for a career or additional education, acquire and upgrade their employment skills, or expand their horizons with personal enrichment classes. A variety of support services are available to help students formulate and achieve their goals.

On June 13, 2007, the Maryland Higher Education Commission voted unanimously to accept Cecil Community College's Board of Trustees petition to change its name to Cecil College. The change became effective July 1, 2007.

With a diverse student population, Cecil College enrolls approximately 2,200 credit students and 2,300 non-credit students each year.

Special thanks to our 2025 Faculty and Student Marshals:

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