

Perry High School Class of 2021 Commencement Exercises



**May 28, 2021
8:00 pm
Reaves Arena
Georgia National Fairgrounds & Agricultural Center
Perry, Georgia**



To the Graduating Class of 2021:

Congratulations! Today marks one of the most memorable milestone moments you will get to celebrate in your life. When you walked into the hallways of PHS only a few years ago, many of you could not imagine what this day might actually feel like. Perry High School, your time has come. You are here, and you have made it. I know that many of you have encountered some very difficult trials along the way. Those challenges you faced should make today's celebration that much sweeter. The work ethic you have displayed and your devotion to your studies deserve both high praise and thoughtful recognition. We have gathered here not only to highlight your achievements, but also to show our love and appreciation for all that you have accomplished.

For many of you, this is the last time you will have the pleasure of being in each other's company. As you prepare to close out one chapter of your life and dedicate yourself to the pursuit of the next, do not forget to take some time to live in this moment. Look into the faces of your fellow graduates and recall to memory those special times you all have shared with each other through the years. Whether you realize it right now or not, in the years to come, you will think back on this day with a fond remembrance. Make the absolute most of the fast and fleeting instances that you will get to share with each other today. Once this graduation ceremony ends, your adult lives will come into very sharp focus, and the choices you have made thus far will take many of you in very different directions.

Some of you have elected to join the military where you will proudly serve your country. I want to personally thank you in advance for both your sacrifice and your service. Others of you will head off to your respective colleges, universities, and technical schools where you will begin to pursue a degree that will enable you to carve out a life for yourselves. Quite a few of you have no doubt opted to enter the work force right away, and that occupation of your choosing will surely test you at one point or another. Whatever direction your life takes, I am confident that you have acquired many of the tools you will need to excel and become productive members of society. The fact that you are here in this moment ready to receive a diploma that you have earned tells me that you are more than ready to take on the next phase of your lives.

In closing, even though you are preparing to part ways from each other, do not forget that taking part in today's festivities means you and your fellow classmates will forge a unique bond that can never be broken. For all time, you will be a member of the Perry High School graduating class of 2021. The resilience you have shown these past 13 years is commendable, and it is my greatest wish that all of you get to experience the very best that this life has to offer.

Good luck on all of your future endeavors. I am very proud of you, and I want to personally thank you all for your **Commitment to the "P."**

Mr. Wesley Del Martin
Principal, Perry High School

Commencement Exercises

Graduates will be led by Perry High School

2021 Teacher of the Year, Mr. Evan Jones and 2021 STAR teacher, Dr. Courtney Herbert

**Processional "Pomp and Circumstance" Sir Edward Elgar

Opening Remarks Mr. Wesley D. Martin
Principal, Perry High School

**Pledge of Allegiance and The National Anthem..... PHS AFJROTC Cadets
Ms. Abigail Soisson
2021 Honor Graduate, Class of 2021 Treasurer

Welcome Ms. Brenley Fouse
2021 Honor Graduate, Class President

Salutatorian Address Mr. Daniel Manuel
2021 Honor Graduate, Salutatorian

Commencement Address..... Mr. Maximus Genio
2021 Honor Graduate, Valedictorian

Presentation of Class for Diplomas Dr. Mark Scott
Superintendent, Houston County Schools

Awarding of the Diplomas Dr. Mark Scott
Superintendent, Houston County Schools

Presentation of Diplomas
Houston County Board of Education
Dr. Mark Scott, *Superintendent*
Mr. Wesley D. Martin, *Principal*

Turning of the Tassel Mr. Joshua Bishop
2021 Honor Graduate, Class of 2021 Vice President

*Alma Mater..... Ms. Anna Bratley
2021 Honor Graduate
Ms. Ivy Gonzalez
2021 Honor Graduate
Ms. Yasmine Joseph
2021 Graduate

**Recessional..... "Pomp and Circumstance" Sir Edward Elgar

** Audience Please Stand*

*** So that all members of the Class of 2021 can be seen, audience members are asked to remain seated for the Processional and Recessional.*

Perry High School Candidates for Graduation

Class of 2021

HONOR GRADUATES

Maximus Isaiah Genio

Valedictorian

Star Student

Daniel Raphael Manuel

Salutatorian

Logan Tyler Adams

Erick Rafael Aguayo

Kali Alena All

Karla Gabriela Arias

Lana Katherine Aromatorio

Adeline Ruth Barrett

Jordan Kailani Battle

Kanah Asheton William Belflower

Joshua Mark Bishop

Sarah Faye Bixler

Jolie Paige Blackmon

Wyatt Eudale Blount

Marlene Teresa Bolanos

Anna Joy Bratley

Davia Elexis Brown

Mackenzie Leigh Burks

Samuel Travis Bush

Makia Latina Clarington

Asiana Alexis Clements

William Edward Clower

Peyton Ray Coleman

Alexandria Leann Collier

Ta'nijia Shalaurien Cook

Amber Lee Cooper

Noah Colby Copeland

Monifah Erykah Darsaw

Garrett Michael Davis

Joseph Elijah Di Sarli

Sophia Elina Di Sarli

Rachel Lauren Dowd

Porshauna Ya'kheria Draines

Julie Rahyn Edes

Emma Joy Ellis

Kody Austin Ellis

Anthony Daniel Erazo

Gabrielle Nicole Felder

Braxton Alexander Ferguson

Caylin Ashleigh Fickler

Brenley Elise Fouse

Carsen Mae Garner

Austin David Garnto

Yancy Dwight Gibbons

Vy'karyum Umeko Glover

Ivy Lynn Gonzalez

Kaitlyn Ashley Gorman

Riley Kincaid Griffin

Claudia Samantha Guadiana

Isaiah Timothy Hairston

Anniston Jade Hall

Amelia Lynn Herzog

Connor Quinn Hill

Sean Michael Hipple

Billy Wade Howard

Jalen Jahmir Johnson

Nathan Philip Johnson

Trenton Garrett Johnson

Peyton Kekai Jordan

Landyn Nicholas King

Skylar Melissa Knighton

Jada Beyonce Lawrence

Seth Thomas Lee

Austen Micheal Leslie

Mary Michael Livingston

Megan Alyssa Lockhart

Steven Ottis Luke

Mikayla Katherine Lynn

Alana Marie Maddox

Monica Louise McCoy

Savannah Ashley McKleroy

Lindsey Anne Miller

Tucker Bailey Morris

Brannen Dale Moss

Jackson Lee Mullis

Damon Edward Negron

Jordyn Taylor Niederkorn

Haziel Eduardo Nunez Baquedano

Brookelyn Anne O'Rear

Emma Grace Paserba

Walker Tate Passinault

Saloni Trushar Patel

Matthew Presley Payne

Abigail Diana Phillips

Michelle Lynn Pike

Marrah Lynn Price

Ansley Joy Pritchett

Anson Paul Pryde, Jr.

Annabelle Hope Putman

Chance Ingram Ragan

Deondray Cordell Releford

Desirae Joyce Rivas

Hannah Grace Robinson

Jacob David Rodriguez

Yarielis Rodriguez

Ava Lee Roland

Clayton Lane Rucker

Taniah Madrina Russell

Garyn Kristopher Schlageter

Gavin Blake Scragg

Charles Levi Shelton

Garrett Louis Shelton

Amadita Singh

Stormie Marie Smith

Abigail Grace Soisson

HONOR GRADUATES CONTINUED

Khalie Jo Stewart	Alfonte' Ta'Vieyon Thomas	Na'tyjah La Mae West
Sierra Ansley Stokes	Caleb Dale Tillman	Alexander Cole Willis
Noelea Patience Stone	Austin Dakota Trauth	Emily Marie Willis
Skylar Jacobe Sumler	Xanth Cannon Vaden	Kasmin Tadisha Wills
Alyssa Lynn Swanson	Teliah Rakel Vance	Nathaniel George Woodworth
Michael Orlando Taylor, Jr.	Jaylen Tyler Watts	Makayla Alexis Yansom

GRADUATES

Bern'ee Christine Anderson	Asia Re'shea Carter	Riley Aiden Giles
Brandon Jamal Askew	Jacob Richard Carver	Nadiya Song Gilpin
Zachariah Elon Askew	Isaiah Miguel Castillo	Jason Stuart Glover, Jr.
Ethan Jack Avery	Jada Lee Castillo	Charisse Michelle Goodloe
Jannah Grace Bailey	Michael Ray Catlett	Brendan James Goodyear
Tyler Damarion Bailey	Joseph Anthony Cernaro	Andrew Lawrence Grant
Monica La'trice Balthrop	Ashonta Nicole Chambers	Charderika D'shunna Green
Jadorian Jaileel Bass	Agnes Oluigbo Chinyere	Xavier Cortez Green
Jason Jaikel Bass	Robert Gerard Christian, II	Keith Lamar Griffin-Hiltonen
Shelby Ann Baughcum	Jalen Dicerro Clarington	Kendrez Qua'Darius Hampton
Ethan Wade Bearden	David Grant Cobb	Abigail Elaine Hancock
Josie Elise Beck	Kaydance Adair Copleand	Samuel Wade Harbin
Avery Kyler Belflower	Bret Matthew Cox, Jr.	Nia Ashley Harness
Asia Michelle Berry	Shaughnessy Aubrey Cox	De'Lexis Aniyah Haugabook
Jailen Djimon Bibb	Griffin Andrew Crowder	Matthew Gerrit Hicks
Cleta Nicole Black	Asiyah Marie Davis	Olivia Renee Higley
Takyha Monae Blassingame	Kendall Gennell Davis	Garrett Charleston Hogsett
Alec Jay Bloodworth	Sarah Elizabeth Deloach	Judith Helen Howard
Donovan Pierce Borders	Malik Khy'yonn Dennis	Shy'teria Shundreash Howard
John Cade Bozeman	Anthony James Di Diego, Jr.	Zoe Kimbriel Howard
Caleb Matthew Bradshaw	Aubrey Brianna Dunn	Nathaniel Aaron Huntzinger
Katlyn Jolene Brand	Bryce Alexander Dunn	Ja'khius Shamone Jackson
Michelle Denise Brooks	Larissa Dawn Evans	Jaedon Edward Jacobs
Anthony Deonte Jaqwon Brown, Jr.	Kaleb Isaiah Everson	Jayla Nicole James
Aaliyah Janae Buckholts	Garrett Wade Fisher	Mckenzie Elizabeth Jennings
Caleb Andrew Burnette	Jhalekiya Telejah Floyd	Yasmine Ashanti Joseph
Justin Allan Butler	Chantel Andrea Flynt	Curtis James Karavias
Elizabeth Marie Buxton	Elijah Augustus Foster	Eaden Lathen Karpowicz
Jodi Nicole Calhoun	Tristan Charles Freis	Sophie Ann Keadle
Alexzander Daniel Capella-Ortega	Raven Amariana Fudge	Ja'terius Quentavion Keen

GRADUATES CONTINUED

Lucas Anthony Kemp	David Tennile Phipps, Jr.	John Coleman Tadich
Daniya Imariyae Kendrick	Isaac Leon Pitts	Andrew Paul Talton
Makeil Zaire Kendrick	Yadia Prusch	Gracie Marie Taylor
Stormee Hollis Kezar	Jarkevion Sanchez Raines	Harmony Mar'tia Taylor
Carl James King	Jaylen De Shawn Raines	Gavin Robert Teal
James Robert Knowles	Kendall Rashaad Rawls	Tylon Lorenzo Tharpe
Jacob Christian Kreager	Justin Itahi Rhodes	Nyla Arle'tch Thompson
Tabious DeAnthony Laster	Juliana Diane Cail Roberts	Pe'ere Tarun Thorpe
Miranda Gentry Lawhorn	Skyla Michelle Rogers	Zion Macaih Tookes
Javious Kentrae Lawson	Nicholas Anthony Romeo	Abigail Jolie Ussery
James Wallace Layfield	Ja'kiya Denicia Rumph	Riley Thomas Utter
Gavin Christopher Leatherwood	Trevor Deshawn Rumph	Larry Vail, III
Destiny Cierra Lindsey	Anthony Lamont Sadler, Jr	Daniel Gordon Vandiviere
Jalen Tyree Lindsey	Mirka Monserat Sanchez	Walker William Viles
Trenton Laraedo London	Ainsley Grace Sanders	Jordan David Walker
Isa Matthew Love	Kylee Jade Sanford	Ethan Frank Ward
Cooper Dayne Maddox	Dylan Carter Sapp	Stormi Elizabeth Ward
Garrett Camden Martin	Jackson Walker Schofill	Minah Simone Way
Destiny Marie Mason	Ashlynn Danielle Scott	Molly Brynn Welborn
A'myah Janae' McGhee	Jacob Harrison Sendek	Nehemiah Emmanuel West
Daysia Kierra-Lashelle McIlrath	Jalynn Aileen Sivo	Tyasia Alesia White
John Michael McNeal	Rebecca Ann Smallwood	Nathan Michael Wigmore
Elizabeth Krystel Medina	Cole Austin Smyth	Phelipe Jackie Wiley
Isabella Makenzie Medina	Quadasia Makali Solomon	Shoshoni W'ychang Williams
Taylor Jean Miller	Jalen Kentrell Spivey	Tydrick Khamari Williams
Layton Avery Morstad	Najia Yasmine Spooner	Hunter James Wilson
Kamiya Veronica Moss-Hitchcock	Justin Scott Stafford	Patrick Alan Wilson
Chelsey Seika Mountin	Skyler Leigh Stanchio	Joshua Wayne Wilton
Sean Patrick Nasworthy	Raegan Marie Stella	Ryan Michael Wood
Angel Hope Noteware	Savannah Marie Stewart	Jordan Isaiah Woodard
Joshua Evan Palmer	Ja'maian Xavier Stokes	Dylan Chance Wright
Cameron Jacob Paquette	Lauren Rachel Strom	Nemiah Mukinzee' Wright
Kelsey Renee Paullet	Tanner Alan Strub	Van Maurice Wyatt, Jr.
Khyia Symone Perry	Kaitlynn Paige Stubbs	Briana Jose Wynn
Skylar Victoria Petrone	Paul Jacob Sullivan	Cearrah Rochelle Youngblood

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<u>Blue & Gold</u> National Honor Society	<u>Purple and White</u> National Technical Honor Society	<u>White</u> AP Award
<u>Green</u> AP Award with Distinction	<u>Silver</u> Fine Arts Honor	<u>Silver and White</u> CTAE
<u>Black & Gold</u> Beta Club	<u>Multi-Color</u> National Art Honor Society	<u>Navy and Gold</u> Golden Eagle

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*Far above the Ochlahatchee,
'bove its waters clear-
Stands forever Alma Mater
Perry loved and dear.*

*Lift your voices, send them upward,
Loud your praises sing;
Hail to thee – our Alma Mater
Wide your honors ring!*

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