



CANTERBURY SCHOOL

THE  
ONE-HUNDRED-SIXTH  
COMMENCEMENT  
EXERCISES

MAY 26, 2023 • 11:00 AM

# PROGRAM

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## PROCESSION OF FACULTY AND GRADUATES

11:00 AM .....Commencement Exercises

PROCESSIONAL ..... *Festival March* by Antonio Valenti

REMARKS .....Rachel Stone P '23, '24, Head of School

## AWARDING OF PRIZES

Suzanne Roberts P '24, Associate Head of School for Academics

Rachel Stone P '23, '24, Head of School

Jim Stone P '23, '24, Director of Athletics

Peter LaVigne P '14, '16, '17, '20, '23,

Assistant Head of School for Student Life

VALEDICTORY SPEAKER .....Xinyi Weng '23

## AWARDING OF DIPLOMA

Rachel Stone P '23, '24, Head of School

Peter LaVigne P '14, '16, '17, '20, '23,

Assistant Head of School for Student Life

Pádraig Lawlor, 2023 *Cantuarian* dedicatee

CLOSING PRAYER..... Cadence Schneider '23, Sacristan

RECESSIONAL ..... *Trumpet Tune and Aire* by Henry Purcell

12:00 PM .....Luncheon, Steele Hall, Dining Hall

# THE CLASS OF 2023

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Godson Chukwuka Ajoku	Richard Cifarelli Gosman ^	Fiona Grace Mulheren
Owen M. Arias (CHS)	Jack Guinta *	Hannah Elisabeth Nash (CHS) ^
John Tunney Bagg (CHS) ^	Colton George Harte	Grace Kelly Nowak
Adrianna Amalia Balducci	Theodore Thomas Hauser	Joy Vera Okonye (CHS) ^
Kenneth Francis Begasse III (CHS)	Samantha Christine Hawley (CHS) ** ^	Alexander Olcese (CHS) ** ^
Lauren Elizabeth Bellucci (CHS)	William Francis Heitman	Patrick Joseph Pannasch ^
Stephanie Ann Bissing (CHS)	Ellen Kinsley Phoebe Holmgren	Charles Anderst Phillips (CHS)
Angelina Giustina Bonasera	Huanrui Hu (CHS) ^	Thomas Merrigan Prendergast
Annaleise Élin Booth ** ^	Zhe Ji ^	Amanda Marie Regina (CHS) **
Jed Ethan Brazo	Junseong Jo (CHS) ^	Beckett Reynolds ^
Elliot Cooper Cantor ^	Patrick Dawson Kane	Ava Elizabeth Ruisi (CHS) ^
Spencer Chard	Rhea Maria Khazzaka (CHS) ^	Cadence Marie Schneider * ** ^
Andrew Zhe Chen (CHS) ^	Jake Anthony Kloss (CHS)	Noah Thomas Schretzenmayer (CHS) ^
Youngchan Choi ** ^	Connor Hyunjun Koh (CHS) ^	Sean Michael Stephenson
Olivia Tilton Clark (CHS) *	Thomas Charles Lapham	Bryce Matthew Stone (CHS) ^
Sophia Olivia Crowe	Matthew Alexander Lappin	Cullen James Stone (CHS) ^
Kaitlyn Dammers ^	Lily Amparo Garcia LaVigne (CHS) ** ^	Tyrese S. Taylor
Angela Danso Adjei ^	Xavier Christopher Leone (CHS) ^	Liam Patrick TeeKing (CHS) ** ^
John Danso Adjei ^	Yunhan Li (CHS) ^	Avery Francesca Trach (CHS) ** ^
Flynn Andrew Davis	Olivia Jacquelyn Lynn (CHS) * ** ^	James Christopher Trickett
Gabriella Rose Dellacroce ^	Elijah Malik Manning	Austin Usaty ^
Stephen James DiBlasi *	Andrew Sauter Martin **	Ryan Scott Vaspasiano
Jared Scott Ely	Sophia Gianna Maselli ^	Sofia Maria Vial (CHS) ** ^
Veikko John Eskelin (CHS) ^	John McCain (CHS)	Yijie Wang (CHS) ^
Cameron Estevez	Kiley Elizabeth McCooley ^	Xinyi Weng (CHS) ^
Jason Paul Fisher (CHS)	Riley Frances McPhee (CHS)	John Robert Williamson
Braden Reid Fitzgerald	Lauren Treme McQueen	Mengze Wu (CHS)
Erin Kelley Flaherty (CHS) ^	Anne Catherine Melich (CHS) **	Fiona Yao ^
Neve Elizabeth Flanagan (CHS) * ^	Jerome Reece Montrone	Adam Gabriel Zarif (CHS)
Cameron R. Folli	Dana James Moreau Jr.	Michael Abraham Zarif (CHS)
Luke Andrew Germain		

(CHS) = Member of The Canterbury Honor Society  
 (\*) = Child of Canterbury Graduate  
 (\*\*) = Sibling of Canterbury Graduate  
 (\*\*\*) = Grandchild of Canterbury Graduate  
 (^) = Four-year member, “Diehard” of the Class of 2023

# MAJOR AWARDS

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## THE J.P. MANDLER TEACHING AWARD

In honor of J.P. Mandler, who served the School for 46 years in the roles of English Department Chair, Director of Studies, Dean of Faculty, Director of Technology, Dean of the School, Senior Master, and Longest-Tenured Faculty Member.

*Presented each year to that faculty member who reflects the fundamental commitment to excellence in classroom teaching.*

## THE ROBERT M. STEELE '72 SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD

In memory of Robert M. Steele, a model scholar-athlete.

*For academic and athletic achievement.*

## THE CHARLES R. HUNTINGTON SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD

In memory of Mr. Huntington, teacher, coach, and Athletic Director from 1969-1999.

*For academic and athletic achievement.*

## THE ELIZABETH (BETTY) BURKE AWARD

Given by the family of Mrs. Burke, who served the School from 1964 to 1995 in the roles of faculty spouse, parent, hostess, and school nurse.

*For cheerful determination to serve God and others.*

## THE CLASS OF 1987 CITIZENSHIP AWARD

Presented to the Sixth Former who in the judgment of classmates has best fulfilled obligations to school, to fellow students, and to self.

## THE RICHARD L. AND MARY CATHERINE FARRELLY AWARD

Presented to the Sixth Former who serves Canterbury quietly, yet thoroughly.

## THE PHILIP H. BRODIE AWARD

In memory of Mr. Brodie, who was a teacher at Canterbury from 1919-1921 and 1924-1957.

*For exceptional achievement and all-around service to the School.*

## THE DR. NELSON HUME AWARD

Presented to the Sixth Former whose leadership, character and achievements have been of the highest order, and whose performance embodies the ideals of the founding Headmaster.

*Music provided by*

*The Western Connecticut State University Brass Ensemble and  
The Carillon Guild playing the Jose M. Ferrer Memorial Carillon.*