# The One Hundred Nineteenth Commencement Exercises

David H. Hickman High School Columbia, Missouri



Saturday, May Twenty-Third Two Thousand Fifteen 11:00 a.m. Mizzou Arena

#### ACADEMIC REGALIA

The traditional caps and gowns worn by students and faculty in the academic procession have been the historic costume of scholars since medieval times. Because many scholars of that period were members of monastic orders, the academic costume resembles ecclesiastical dress.

A uniform code for academic costumes was drafted by an intercollegiate commission in 1893 and has since been adopted by the majority of colleges and universities in the United States. Each of the four academic degrees - bachelor, master, specialist, and doctorate - has its own distinctive gown and hood. The gown representing the bachelor's degree is distinguished by its long, pointed sleeve. The master's gown has a longer, narrow, closed, pointed sleeve extending below the knee; the arm is passed through a slit at the elbow. In contrast, the doctor's gown has a full, bell-shaped sleeve with three bars of velvet. The opening of this gown is faced with wide velvet bands which may be black or of a color indicating the general field of learning of the wearer, for example, dark blue for philosophy, light blue for education, orange for English.

The most colorful and distinctive item of the academic costume is the hood, which passes around the neck and extends down the back. The colors of the silk lining exposed in the center

of the hood are those of the college or university which conferred the degree.

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# ORDER OF EXERCISES

Processional		Hickman High Band		
1 Toccssional	"Pomp and Circumstance" Ed	lward Elgar		
1	Mr. Denis Swope, Mr. Tom Sweet	ney, Directors		
Processional Marshals	Miss. Madeleine Sullivan, Pi Miss. Kay Frymire, Vice Pi			
Моловором		Mr. Philip Overeem		
Macebearer		Teacher of British Literature		
Gonfalonieres		2014-2015 Senior Class Officers		
Miss. Lilian Burns, President Mr. Jackson Atkins, Vice-President				
"Star Spangled Banner"		arr. Gaither Vocal Band		
1 0	The Seniors of A Cappella			
Alexandra Fratila,	Mrs, Robin Steinhaus, Dit Adam Baker, Amanda Brown, A. Aileen Gannon, Alyse Heaston, A Martinez, Byung Jun Park, Alex DeAuna Wolf, Riannon Ze	bbie Cook, William Fandek, Amelia Heaston, Aspen Kayson, andria Ravert, Rebecca Wagner,		
		The Seniors of A Cappella SingersYsaye M. Barnwell		
Welcome and Introduction	n of Platform Guests			
Introduction of Hickman	High School Faculty Representa	tives		
Dolores Caamano	Virginia Lennon	Jeff Rayl		
Pam Close	John Marshall	Muna Sherif		
Jeff Devero	Kathleen Metter	Denis Swope		
Janna Fick Beckie Hocks	William Morgan	Denis Swope Stacey Throckmorton Deanna Wasman		
	High School Alumni and Friends raduates	s who will award the 119th year		
Retired Prinicipal Wanda Brown	'60 Kathleen Wells-Morgan '66	<b>'90</b> Zach Rodeman '90		
	480	400		
Retiring Teacher	Sahba Jalali '85	Adam Taylor '02 MacKenzie Everett-Kennedy '03		
Dixie Grupe	Melissa (Wilhite) Barnes '86	MacKenzie Everett-Kennedy '03		
Introduction of Valedictorians and Presentation of Certificates				
introduction of valeuron		Mr. Eric Johnson usan Whitesides, Director of Guidance		
Introduction of Commend	cement Speakers	Mr. Eric Johnson		
Commencement Address		Mr. Samuel Lange Miss. Zoe Parham Seniors of 2015		

Acceptance of Class of 2015..... Dr. Peter Stiepleman, Superintendent, Columbia Public Schools Mr. James Whitt, President, Board of Education Awarding of 119th Year Medallions...... Hickman High School Alumni & Friends Assistant Activities/Athletics Principal Mr. Phil Overeem Teacher Mrs. Helen Wade, Member Board of Education Assisted by Mr. Jeffrey Devero, Teacher Mrs Susan Whitesides, Director of Guidance Kewpie Cheer......Senior Class Officers Mr. Denis Swope, Mr. Tom Sweeney, Directors

# ACADEMIC HONORS

# National Merit Scholarship Award Finalists

William Fandek Alexandra Fratila Gabriel Gassmann Alyse Heaston

Wenzer Oin

#### National Merit Commended Scholars

Jackson Atkins Xufeng Hua Angela Lim Natalie Wigger

# **United States Presidential Scholar Nominees**

Alexandra Fratila

Wenzer Qin

# National Hispanic Recognition Program

Ethan Seville

#### Missouri Scholars 100

Gabriel Gassmann

Wenzer Oin

## Missouri Scholars Academy 2013

William Fandek Angela Lim Wenzer Qin Ethan Seville

#### SCHOLARSHIPS PREVIOUSLY ACCEPTED

As of May 14, 2015 many seniors have stated they are receiving and accepting scholarships.

These scholarships are a result of work in the fields of academics, service, athletics and other areas.

# Missouri Higher Education Academic Scholarship "Bright Flight" Qualifiers as of May 14, 2015

Myriah F. Araiza Jackson C. Atkins Adam M.. Baker Sami B. Baugher Peter S. Botts Michael Stephen Bunch Sadie L. Collins Reagan T. Dugan Kadie E. Elmore William C. Fandek Allison N. Farris Alexandra M. Fratila Gabriel E. Gassmann Noah B. Gerdes Gareth C. Greenwell Kayleigh M. Greenwood Alyse V. Heaston Amelia M. Heaston Xufeng Hua Diann T. Huynh Bolor-Erdene Jagdagdorj Jonathan A. Jalali Alexander J. Keneipp

Bob Alderson Boone Electric Community Trust Scholarship...

Jack Dawson Scholarship.....

Andrew N. Krall Ahmed-Zakariyya Krgo Theodore P. Kurre Angela H. Lim Claire M. Majerus Jesse R. McInvale Nicholas A. Nelson Nathan T. Ortbals

Laura E. Perry

Wenzer Qin Alexandria G. Ravert

Emelyn C. Piotter

Luciana D. Schopp Tristan A. Sheldon Matthew M. Straw Emma M. Thompson Jacob M. Trout Molly A. Vornholt Haley C. Wen Natalie E. Wigger Nyi N. Win Junyi Wu Junyi Zhang

Thomas A. Ziervogel

.....Eilish Matthews

Daniela Hovos

### COMMUNITY AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS PRESENTED MAY 19, 2015

Bob Alderson Boone Electric Community Trust Scholarship	Daniela noyos
Alpha Delta Kappa	Myriah Araiza
Alpha Kappa Alpha Doris H. Lewis Scholarship	
American Civil Liberties Award	alali, Zoe Parham
Athletic Booster Club Scholarship	, Mikayla Logan,
Mackenzie Mu	rray, Katie Storm
Joe M. Barnes Cup	Andrew Pieper
Eliot and Muriel Battle Memorial Scholarship	Daniela Hoyos
Leo Behrens Class of 1969	
Boone County Bar Association Scholarship	Jackson Atkins
Boone County 4-H Scholarships Allison Frappier, Daniela Hoy	yos, Andrew Mott
Class of 1930 Scholarship	
Class of 1936 ScholarshipBolor-E	Erdene Jagdagdori
Class of 1953 Scholarship	
Class of 1959 Scholarship	
Class of 1960 Scholarship	arleeka Kimmins
Class of 1963/Charley Blackmore ScholarshipJake Coffman, D	Diann Tran Huynh
Class of 1965 Scholarships	rus, Cory Rackers
Class of 1969 Scholarship	Monica Strawn
Mabel Wayland Coats Memorial Scholarship	Andrew Krall
Cleva Cole Writing Award	
Heather Cole Sparkle of Hope Scholarship	Daniela Hoyos
Columbia African American Memorial ScholarshipBrianna Gran	
Columbia Art League Scholarship/Herb and Betty Brown	
Columbia Art League Scholarship/Art and Betty Robbins	Farena Saburi
Columbia Downtown Rotary Club Scholarship	
Columbia Insurance Group D. Arlo McNary Living Memorial Scholarship	
Columbia Missouri National Education Association Scholarship	Samantha Newton
Columbia Missouri State Teachers Association Scholarship	Daniela Hoyos
Columbia Police Scholarship Fund	Adam Valley
Columbia Track Club Joe Marks Youth Scholarship	Alex Keneipp
Cosmopolitan International Breakfast Club Mahlon Fairchild Excellence Award	
Eilish Matthews, Xufe	ng "Mickey" Hua

Don Day Agribusiness & Bioscience Scholarship	Andrew Mott
Bev Denman Memorial Scholarship	Jessica Gonzales Carrillo
Downtown Optimist Club Scholarship.	
Charles J. Dysart Scholarship	Emma Thompson
Lynda Evers Memorial Nursing Scholarship	Amelia Marie Heaston
Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) Mid Missouri Chapter	DeAuna Wolf
Focus on Learning Scholarship	Alexia Kieffer
Bruce Gray Memorial Golf AwardCourtney Callaha	n, Alexander "Gus" Harmon
Bruce Gray Memorial Track Award	drew Pieper, Mikayla Logan
Will Hawkins Memorial Scholarship	
James E. Hickem, III Memorial Art Scholarship	Ian Price
Hickman Alumni Award	
Hickman Girls' Basketball Award	
Hickman H.O.P.E. Club Scholarship	
Clay Hinshaw Memorial Scholarship.	
Marvin E. Holmes Entrepreneurial Scholarship	
Kevin Honeycutt Memorial Scholarship	
Melissa Howland Literary Scholarship	Michelle Algya
Bill Jackson Memorial Scholarship	
Mary Paxton Keely Elementary Scholarship	Alvea Haaston
Kewpie.net ScholarshipB	ritt Grindstaff Zach Nichols
Mel Koonse Memorial Scholarship/Old Wheels Car Club of Columbia.	Paniamin Wassalman
Ray H. Kroc Youth Achievement Award	Kia Kemp
Andrew E. McIntosh Scholarship	William Fandak
Jim McLoed Trophy/Basketball	Limmy Whitt
MFA Foundation Scholarship	Monica Strawn
Mid America Mortgage School and Community Service Awards	Lilian Rurns Alex Keneinn
Missouri Credit Union Busby and Pauline Pat Miles Scholarship	Zoe Parham
Missouri Employers Mutual	Peyton Tettleton Katie Storm
Wayne Mountjoy Memorial Scholarship	Monica Strawn
Ray Odor Tennis Scholarship	Junyi Wu
Andy "Scoop" Olesen Scholarship	Nathan Haile
John G. Patterson Scholarship.	Gabrielle Runnells
John Riddick Mathematics Scholarship	Eilish Matthews
Dennis Riordan Award/Columbia Entertainment Company Award	Malachi Gerke
Rock Bridge Lions Club/L. Kim Graham Memorial Scholarship	Eilish Matthews
Mary Rodriguez "Achievement Through Adversity" Scholarship Ronnie Shaw Award/Baseball	Mikayla Logan
Ronnie Shaw Award/Baseball	Sami Baugher
Shelter Insurance Foundation Scholarship/Nancy Allison Agent	Eilish Matthews
Glen Smith Award/Boys' Basketball	Jimmy Whitt
Glen Smith/Bob Roark Award/Football	Samuel Smith
Roy F. G. Spier Memorial Scholarship/Columbia Evening Lions Club	Mariya Zagonenko
Scott Stella Wrestling Award Birch Stemmons Memorial Scholarship	Max Parry
Birch Stemmons Memorial Scholarship	Molly Vornholt
University of Missouri Health Care Health Science Club Scholarship	Laura Perry
Joyce Walker Memorial Drama Scholarship	Myriah Araiza
Walton Family Foundation Scholarship	tie Storm, Gabriel Gassmann
Mark Gregory Winfrey Class of 1978 Scholarship	Jack Atkins, Peter Yo
John Riddick Wright Student Government Scholarship	Aackenzie Murray, John Park

# SPECIAL FACULTY RECOGNITIONS

Neil C. Aslin Memorial Scholarship	Laura Perry
Don Byers Service Award	Samuel Lange
James R. Chevalier Memorial Scholarship	Junyi Wu
Lucy King Service Award	Mackenzie Murray
Khaki Lang Westerfield Award	

#### HALL OF FAME

#### Academics Alexandra Fratila

Wenzer Oin

## Athletics Molly Carter

Mikayla Logan **Emily Miller** Jimmy Whitt

# Fine Arts

Myriah Ariaza Cory Rackers

# Service

Mackenzie Murray Samuel Lange

# George Washington Carver Award

Myriah Faithe Araiza Jackson Chall Atkins Courtney Kaye Callahan Sadie Lorraine Collins Sarah Louise Everett Allison Nicole Farris Allison Ann Frappier Alexandra Maria Fratila Gabriel Evan Gassmann Kayleigh Maureen Greenwood Alyse Victoria Heaston Amelia Marie Heaston

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## President's Education Award Program for **Outstanding Academic Achievement**

Myriah Faithe Araiza Jackson Chall Atkins Edward Jesse Barrett Sami Brendle Baugher Peter Samuel Botts Chynna Rose Burton Courtney Kaye Callahan Zijian Chen Sadie Lorraine Collins Colleen Megan Cutts Reagan Thomas Dugan Sarah Louise Everett William Cummins Fandek Allison Nicole Farris Alexandra Maria Fratila Gabriel Evan Gassmann Noah Benjamin Gerdes Malachi Conley Gerke Shannon Marie Greene Gareth C. Greenwell Kayleigh Maureen Greenwood Morgan Taylor Hawkins Alvse Victoria Heaston Amelia Marie Heaston Wen-Ching Hsu Xufeng Hua Diann Tran Huynh

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Laura Elizabeth Perry Andrew Daniel Pieper Emelyn Clarice Piotter Rachel Elizabeth Pitt Wenzer Qin Cory Michael Rackers Kassandra Nichole Rankin Alexandria Glenn Ravert Ethyn Patrick Reasoner Gabrielle Kate Runnels Micaela Emory Saathoff Luke Curtis Southerland Kathryn Marie Storm Matthew Michael Straw Monica Paige Strawn Helen Marie Temporal Emma Marguerite Thompson Jacob Muir Trout Molly Anne Vornholt Elizabeth Jane Walker Katherine Ross Weir Haley Chifan Wen Natalie Edna Wigger DeAuna Danielle Wolf Junyi Wu Junyi Zhang Thomas Ziervogel

#### SPECIAL ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS

#### VALEDICTORIANS

Gabriel Evan Gassmann Alyse Victoria Heaston Laura Elizabeth Perry Emelyn Clarice Piotter Wenzer Qin Molly Anne Vornholt Natalie Edna Wigger Junyi Wu

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Andrew Nicholas Krall
Ahmed-Zakariyya Krgo
Claire Marie Majerus
Jesse Ray McInvale
Mackenzie Taylor Murray
Hannah B. Myers
Rachel Nicole Nielsen
Taylor Marie Patton
Andrew Daniel Pieper
Rachel Elizabeth Pitt

Cory Michael Rackers Alexandria Glenn Ravert Ethyn Patrick Reasoner Matthew Michael Straw Helen Marie Temporal Emma Marguerit Thompson Katherine Ross Weir DeAuna Danielle Wolf Thomas Ziervogel

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Malachi Conley Gerke Margaret Faith Goss Shannon Marie Greene Gareth C. Greenwell Wen-Ching Hsu Hyeonseo Jo Thomas You-Seok Kim Carleeka N'joi Kimmins Samuel Noah Lange Elizabeth Jane Lannin Xarria A Lewis Nay Zin Min Eva Alyse Moentmann Hannah Marie Morgan Andrew Lloyd Mott Alice Vothienan Nguyen Zachary Loren Nichols Zoe Cecelia Parham Jungmin John Park Molly Elizabeth Parker Kyle Isaac Perry Kassandra Nichole Rankin Rachel Anna Scott Luke Curtis Southerland Monica Paige Strawn Kimberly Ann Twenter Elizabeth Jane Walker Junyi Zhang

### **SENIORS OF 2015**

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+Abigail Christina Fulcher Taylor Gailann Futch La'Deja Mariah Gaines Logan Michael Galloway Aileen Ruth Gannon \*+Gabriel Evan Gassmann Marrissa A Gatewood Noah Benjamin Gerdes Malachi Conley Gerke Caden Allen Gilliland Emily Lauren Glenn Jessica Gonzalez Carrillo \*Margaret Faith Goss +Briana Nicole Grant Ashlev Marie Gravatt Taylor Elise Green Shannon Marie Greene \*Gareth Clayton Greenwell \*+Kayleigh Maureen Greenwood \*Britt Noel Grindstaff +Matthew Hunter Gwin Joshua Kyle Hadley Nathan Haile Alexander James Hall Kelsev Alexandra Ham Alexander Gustav Harmon Stefan Lee Harris Allie Janelle Hassler \*Morgan Taylor Hawkins Megan Elizabeth Havday \*+Alvse Victoria Heaston \*+Amelia Marie Heaston Brian Thomas Henderson Nicole Marie Henley Cody Vincent Herschbach Nekia Latrice Hicks Carlye Shaye Hood Benjarit Hotrabhayananda Jared Michael Houseman Jordan Andrew Howell Daniela Hovos Samuel Hayden Hoyt +Wen-Ching Hsu \*+Xufeng Hua Ashland Rene Humphrey Emily Skye Huskey

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Shanica Nicole Wright \*+Junyi Wu +JaeJun Yoo Garrett Benjamin Young Mariya P Zagonenko Riannon Lynn Zellmer

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\*Denotes membership in National Honor Society +Denotes taking five (5) or more AP classes



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# HICKMAN HIGH SCHOOL'S 86<sup>th</sup> GRADUATING CLASS 119 YEARS OF HIGH SCHOOL

High school in Columbia began in the 1880s, and by 1889, Columbia established a two-year high school at 713 Rogers Street, the current site of Jefferson Junior High School. The course of study was adjusted to three years in 1895, and to four years in 1896. Extracurricular activities naturally evolved. A literary society was formed in 1898, and a choral union, orchestra, and debate team were established in 1899. Sports teams were already present, although the district did not provide paid coaches.

Soon overcrowding at Columbia High School became a concern. In 1909, the community approved the demolition of the old school at Ninth and Rogers and the building of a new high school on that site. The new structure held the district's first gymnasium and a physical education credit was added to graduation requirements. A coach was employed to work with athletic teams and an art/music teacher was hired, providing the first elective courses. The first edition of the yearbook, the Cresset, was published in 1912. Commercial studies, teacher training, home economics, and mechanical drawing courses were added to the curriculum in 1913.

World War I brought changes to Columbia High School: the German Club was removed from the list of extracurricular activities in 1915 and a Current Events Club was established in 1918. In 1917, students over 14 years of age were excused

from attending school to be farm workers as part of the war effort.

Following World War I, Columbia continued to grow. In 1925, the community decided to build a new high school on the David H. Hickman estate. Construction soon began, and Hickman High School opened in 1927. At the time, some complained that the school was located too far out in the countryside! Students in the high school manual trades program built some of the furniture used to furnish the new school. In 1927, the first Hickman graduates began a grand tradition of excel-

lence in academics, the arts, athletics, and service to the community.

The 1930s brought the Depression to Columbia, and the school district felt the economic pinch. For the first time, the district operated with a deficit; however, the high school building was expanded, thanks to low interest loans and the Works Progress Administration. While the district's special education program was eliminated, Hickman's first counselor was hired. On-the-job training and employment for credit were added to the curriculum, and Hickman's verse speaking choir performed throughout the state. Kewpie wrestlers garnered three state championships during this decade. In 1938, Hickman's marching band first performed, and the Student Council financed purchase of the band's first uniforms in the early 1940s. Hickman's first operetta, 1944's *Tune In*, began an annual tradition that continued for many years.

During World War II, curricular changes reflected the times; courses in international relations, aeronautics, and home nursing were added. Hickman participated in a fund-raising drive for the war effort and collected salvage items. Driver's education was offered for the first time in 1948, and the tradition of requiring sophomores to wear beanies was restored. Many Hickman graduates served in the armed

forces, some giving their lives in service to their country.

The end of segregation in the school system occurred in the late 1950s. Hickman's faculty voted in 1952 to adopt competitive letter grading (E,S,M,I,F) in place of the previous Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grading system. Continued expansion of facilities resulted in new construction. High school special education and adult classes were initiated in 1955. Vocational classrooms, laboratories, and the swimming pool were built in 1956, doubling Hickman's classroom space. During this decade, many graduates served in the Korean Conflict.

In 1960, Hickman established an honors program to add academic rigor. The green and white sophomore beanies were worn for the last time in 1961. David Wheeler was named Hickman's first Presidential Scholar in 1964, the inaugural year of the national recognition program where two outstanding high school graduates per state per year are recognized for stellar academic achievement. The Kewpies finally beat the Jefferson City Jays in football in 1966, the same year William "Bill" Galeota became a Presidential Scholar, followed in1967 by Robert "Corky" Cartwright. Four state athletic championships in three different sports proved Hickman an intimidating opponent during the 1960s. Again, Hickman graduates were in service to their country during the Vietnam conflict.

The 1970s brought district growth and expanded opportunities for Hickman girls, including the election of Hickman's first female Student Government President and another Presidential Scholar in 1972, Susan Wakerlin (Durkin). By the mid-1970s, Hickman offered competitive women's teams in tennis, basketball, golf, swimming, track, and volleyball. A growing music program produced a number of outstanding performers. Overcrowding, seemingly a constant issue in Columbia's schools, became a concern; in 1973 a second high school, Rock Bridge, opened and the Bruins,

along with the Jefferson City Jays, became Hickman's greatest rivals.

National recognition came to Hickman in the 1980s, as Hickman was chosen to receive the Excellence in Education (Blue Ribbon) Award in 1984-85. President Ronald Reagan visited Hickman in 1987. Additional athletic and fine arts recognitions were earned by Hickman students, and four additional Presidential Scholars were selected, Melissa Parisi (Onzay) in 1983, Eleanor Kaufman in 1985 and in 1988, both of Missouri's scholars were Kewpies. Scott Murphy and Becca Dilling-

ham (Learmouth).

In the 1990s, Hickman was again nationally recognized as a Blue Ribbon school in the 1994-96 competition, and four additional Presidential Scholars were named, David Kung in 1990, John Wright Riddick in 1994, Travis Pittman in 1996, and Anne Roller (Rucker) in 1997. Curriculum took new directions, including interdisciplinary classes, portfolio grading, and infusion of technology. Computer labs were developed and opportunities for true-to-life experiences were expanded, including the nationally recognized Columbia Aeronautics Space Association (CASA) program. The strong, diverse athletic tradition continued. Within this decade, Hickman won six state championships in baseball, women's swimming, men's track, men's cross country, and men's tennis. Fine arts and music programs produced many state award winners.

The tradition of excellence in academics, athletics, and the arts continues into the new millennium. Again, Presidential Scholars were announced, Kate Swearengen in 2000, Saritha Komatireddy in 2001, Ben Robinson in 2002, Doris Lin in 2003, Jessica Hwang in 2009, and in 2011 HHS produced an eighteenth Presidential Scholar, Eric Young. To date Hickman High School has twice the number of Presidential Scholars as any high school in the state. A new commons and classroom addition opened fall 2003, along with extensive renovations throughout the building in 2004, and again in 2008. Hickman celebrated the opening of a long-awaited second gym in December of 2012 with a winning game against Rock Bridge.

Vocational classrooms, including a restaurant-sized kitchen, and a renovation of the football stadium were ready for the start of school in fall of 2013. These additional classrooms provided several vocational classes not requiring busing to the Career Center. Construction on new tennis courts, installation of artificial turf on the baseball field, and building of a new wrestling room, baseball concession stand and batting cages all occurred during the 2013-14 school year. Ninth graders were welcomed at the high school level for the very first time during the 13-14 school year along with block scheduling. Over recent years, Hickman students have experi-

enced numerous scholastic accolades, excelled in the arts, and won many state

championships in the field of athletics.

This academic year continued the tradition of excellence combined with change. Many capital improvements were inaugurated in 2014-15: tennis courts, indoor sport facility including a batting cage and space for wrestling, and softball/baseball turf were all in place. The upgrade to these facilities allowed the men's and women's tennis teams as well as the women's softball team the ability to compete at Hickman for the first time in many years. Additionally, a new buzzer system was installed, providing an added level of security to the school community. The graduating class has two Presidential Scholar Nominees, two members of the Missouri Scholars 100, and 9 students recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Program. On the field of athletic competition, members of the class earlied numerous district and sectional victories as well as several state qualifications. Today, members of the senior class are competing at Track and Field Sectionals. This class also boasts members of academic teams that have traveled to state and others.

Hickman's most recent graduating classes were comprised of outstanding groups of students with several National Merit Scholars, recognized for academic achievements in the areas of math, science, English, and social studies. During the subsequent years that followed their graduation dates, a remarkable parade of talented Hickman students translated their hopes and dreams into achievements that should inspire the current graduating class of Kewpies. The challenges that face today's graduates are varied. Opportunities to be of service to self, family, country, and community abound. Wherever they go and whatever achievements they may claim, each graduate will carry memories of their days at Hickman High School.

"Hickman High School empowers students to achieve academic excellence, to develop personal integrity and responsibility, to value diversity, and to be continuous learners capable of contributing to a changing society."





David Henry Hickman was a businessman, educator, and legislator from Columbia, Missouri, United States. He was a member of the Missouri State Assembly from 1838 to 1842 and helped compose legislation requiring the state to support public 'common schools' with at least twenty-five percent of the state's revenue. He was also instrumental in the founding and development of Stephens College and served as a curator of the University of Missouri. David H. Hickman High School was built on his country estate in 1927 and named after him.

On Dec. 15, 1925, residents approved 7-1 a bond issue of \$415,000 for construction of a school building on the site and some other school improvements. On Dec. 17, 1925, the school board approved a resolution by Sanford Conley suggesting the school be named "David H. Hickman High School." The cornerstone for Hickman High School was placed in a brief ceremony Sept. 16,

1926, and the building was opened for classes a year later.

When the new high school's name became known, two respected residents approved of its namesake and described Hickman in their letters of endorsement. From Edwin Stephens, president of Stephens Publishing Co.: "David H. Hickman was one of the greatest citizens and finest characters Boone County has ever had. He was a model citizen, a true Christian, a patriot, a leader in educational and civic affairs. The board of education appropriately honors his memory in naming in his honor the building, which is to stand upon the site of the home he owned and where he passed away with honors. And to the regret of the community which he so unselfishly and so ably served and when he had scarcely reached the prime of life."

From Judge David Harris of Boone County Circuit Court: "He was a gentleman in manner, a Christian in spirit and a natural leader by the soundness of his judgment, the force of his character and the disinterestedness of his motives. ... Measured by the years, his life was a short one. Yet, I can think of no former citizen of Columbia whose life was richer, fuller or more worthy of emulation by the youth of Columbia, who in the years to come may receive

instruction in the schools of your city."



The crest of Hickman High School is a classically simple design embodying the ideals, principles, and tradition on which the school was founded. The crest was designed and adopted by the senior class of 1928. This year the crest was enhanced to include a crest ring emblem, signifying the unity, wholeness, and timelessness of Hickman High School. The new ring also incorporates the name David H. Hickman High School and the year it was founded.

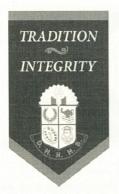
There are eight distinct parts of the Hickman crest. At its foundation is the ribbon of support, engraved with the initials for David H. Hickman High School.

The escutcheon is a shield which forms the main element of the crest and represents our school's honor and integrity. Hickman's unique beveled shield is parted per cross and has four distinct charges. A charge is any emblem occupying the field of the shield.

In the upper left is the laurel wreath of victory which is symbolic of Hickman's excellence in academics as well as athletics. Across on the right side rests the lamp of eternal knowledge, truth, and enlightenment. The book on which the lamp sits represents the content of academic learning. To the lower left are the artist's palette and brush, representing Hickman's strong ties to the arts. Across in the lower right corner is the lyre, the ancient Greek symbol of spiritual and physical harmony, contemplation, and tempered judgment.

Above all the emblems of the shield blazes the cresset that symbolizes the one who is watchful for the commonwealth and who will give the signal in the time of danger. We are called to be a beacon for diversity, freedom, and opportunity. This cresset conveys light, strength, and endurance. Hickman has an intensity of focus; a relentless pursuit to achieve. The cresset is a symbol of hope and guidance, a light that is never extinguished. It holds a promise that if you persevere, you will reach your destination.

The crest color of purple is symbolic of royal majesty, sovereignty, and justice and is indicative of the highest ideals and aims. Gold is symbolic of integrity, honesty, generosity, and the elevation of the mind.





# The Gonfalon

A gonfalon is a type of heraldic flag or banner, often pointed, swallow-tailed, or with several streamers, and suspended from a crossbar. It is of Italian origin and dates back to medieval times when they were used in state and religious ceremonial processions as symbols of office; the name derives from "gonfaloni", the name given to community meetings in Florence. Each neighborhood had its own flag and coat of arms and the word gonfalon eventually came to be associated with the flag.

In modern times, schools adopted the practice of carrying gonfalons at their commencement exercises to heighten the ceremonial nature of the exercises and add pageantry to the event. This year, for the first time, Hickman High School's ceremony will feature two gonfalons. They reflect a timeless style that is Hickman. Each displays the school's colors through the royal purple background and gold trim and include the school crest. The gonfalons also represent the core values of Hickman's mission: Tradition, Integrity, Diversity, and Excellence.

Each year the senior class president and vice-president will serve as gonfalonieres as they lead their class in the procession at the David H. Hickman High School Commencement Ceremony.



# Ceremonial Academic Mace

Today marks the debut of the David H. Hickman High School Ceremonial Academic Mace. The mace is an ancient symbol of authority; it reminds us that schools are custodians of the enduring traditions of learning. The mace is carried by a faculty member who is called the Macebearer.

Ceremonial academic maces appeared in European universities during the fourteenth century and represented the amalgamation of two much older staff-like devices of similar length and shape. These were the regal scepter and the medieval battle mace. Kings throughout history have carried scepters as insignia of the lawful authority of just rulers. The battle mace was first used by medieval princes as an effective hand weapon in combat.

In the fourteenth century, the royal scepter and the battle mace were combined to produce the ceremonial mace. It was carried before royalty, mayors of cities, and chief officers of the universities.

In modern times, the mace is used on ceremonial occasions in the life of schools. In commencement exercises, the mace specifically indicates the authority of the school to award degrees. Today, our mace is carried before the superintendent, principal, and platform dignitaries.

The Hickman High School mace is fashioned in locally sourced Missouri Walnut which signifies Hickman's strength and traditional role in the community. The top of the mace is a reproduction of the cresset found at the top of our school crest. This reminds our school community of our call to be bearers of light and truth. The casting set in the globe is the official school crest. Below the medallion are four rings that represent the core values found in our mission statement: tradition, integrity, diversity, and excellence. The mace is 45" long and weighs 10 pounds. The festive ribbons streaming from the globe are the colors of Hickman. Purple is symbolic of royal majesty, sovereignty, and justice and is indicative of the highest ideals and aims. Gold is symbolic of integrity, honesty, generosity, and the elevation of the mind.

The mace and its holder were commissioned, designed, and executed this year (2015) by noted local woodworker, Andy Werth of Stickman Woodworks.

Faculty, students, and the community have always looked to academic ceremonies as the highlight of the academic year. The addition of the mace adds meaning and dignity to the commencement ritual. It reminds both participants and spectators that education is one of the most cherished attributes of a free and democratic society.



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