

The
Illini West High School
Class of 2026

Aiden Joseph Annegers (MCL)	Connor Wayne Meyer (SCL)
Leah Elisabeth Baker (CL)	Brooklyn Rae Miller (SC)
Hunter James Bible	Avery Brooke Moore
Guadalupe Borunda Bustamante (SCL)	Elyse Lyn Moore (CL)
Madison Ann Bough	Paxton Finn Morehouse (SCL NHS)
Gracie Eileen Boyles (SCL)	Alyssa Nicole Marie Moyers (CL)
Kane Wyatt Burgdorf	Chase Eugene Mudd
Piper Marie Caldwell (MCL CSC)	Joshua Cain Mullen
Ethan Joseph Carlisle	Ireland Marie Murphy (MCL NHS SC)
Charles Dylan Cramer	Hannah Lynn Pindell (NHS SC)
Cody Dwayne Deitrich	Noel Marie Rambo
Eli Zane Dittmer	Lori Ann Rampley
Isabella Jewel Eland	Aden Ward Reed
Bethany Nicole Fawcett	Victoria Rose Reynolds-Ayala
Jordan Elizabeth Finney (SC)	Taylor Maria Cardoso Roberts
Gavin James Fitch	Wesley Lance Robertson
Bret Michael Garrison	Corin Elizabeth Robinson (SCL NHS SC)
Isaiah Matthew Geissler	Javier Rojas
Grace Meredith Goettsche (SCL NHS SC)	Reed Leonard Wu Schaefer
Sofia Gonzalez	Mira Lynn Shirey (CL)
Brennan Mitchell Grotts (SCL)	Issac Mitchell Siverly
Kennedy Jo Gunning (CSC)	Dayton Michael Smith
Ashlyn Isabella Gurba (SCL NHS SC)	Wesley Lowell Smith
Madison Elizabeth Hall (CL SC)	Alexis Nichole Snyder
Cora Lynn Hanks (MCL)	Elaine Marie Sullivan
Aiden Ross Hocker	Kayden James Swisher (MCL)
Lanie Kayt Housewright (CSC)	Jackson Michael VanFleet (CL)
McKenna Colleen Huls (MCL)	Gracyn Wesley Whitaker
Avery Lin Hunter (CL CSC)	Natalie Irene Wibbell (NHS SC)
Marissa Ann Huss	Mason Charles Williams
Ryder Lee Hynek	Hattie Mae Wood
Zoie Miah J Johnson	Evan Michael Worley
Izik Lee Jones	McKenzie Lynn Yeakey
Wyatt Mater Jones	Richard Chase Yelton
Kaylee Marie Kerr	Jonah Paul Zanolla (SCL NHS)
Isaiah LaKeith Knotts	Andy Zhang (SCL)
Schuyler LeeAllan Long	
Carmen Beth McElroy (CL NHS)	

*Commencement of
Illini West High School*



Class of 2026

Illini West High School Gymnasium

Sunday, May 17, 2026

2:00 P.M.

Administration

Jay Harnack, Superintendent
Amanda Congdon, Principal
Jessica Knicl, Assistant Principal
Grant Surprenant, Director of Student Services

Illini West Faculty & Staff

John Amschler	Dawn Leroy
Nancy Barnett	Olivia Luzadder
Ryan Bliss	McKenna Merritt
Narrezia Burdette	Ashtyn Miller
Carrie Buxman	Hanafin Miller
Jacob Calvin	Michelle Monroe
Victoria Campbell	Chandler Moon
Kristen Cook	Sandra Morrison
Tyler Cregger	David Mueller
Lisa Duffy	Harold Northup
Jodelle Eddington	MJ Palmer
Mandy Frakes	Vince Parker
Abigail Gindlesberger	Alex Rodeffer
Brandi Gollihar	Tiffany Shepler
Chris Greenhalge	Shari Shupe
Keshia Heaton	Bobbi Skinner
Blaize Kimmell	Kris Stevens
Scott Knicl	Melissa Sturlic
Dalen Kruzan	Renato Sturlic
Dakota Lafferty	Andrew Willis
Michael Lafferty	

School Board

Beth Newton, Board President
Shaun Lohmeyer, Vice President
Darcy Stonger, Board Secretary & Treasurer
Shannon Kissinger, Member
Brian Covert, Member
Beth Webster, Member

Commencement

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Sunday, May 17, 2026
2:00 PM

*Processional	Illini West High School Band
*Presentation of Colors/Pledge of Allegiance	
Invocation	Guadalupe Borunda Bustamante
Welcome	Grant Surprenant Jessica Knicl
Address to the Class of 2026	Corin Robinson
National Merit Honors Speaker	Jonah Zanolla
Special Recognition	Ryan Bliss, Guidance Counselor
CL Cum Laude (GPA of 3.600-3.749)	
MCL Magna Cum Laude (GPA of 3.750-3.890)	
SC Summa Cum Laude (GPA of 3.900-4.000)	Denoted by symbol
NHS National Honor Society	
CSC Carl Sandburg Graduates	
SC Silver Cord Recipients	
American Legion Good Citizenship Awards	Darrell Kraft
Daughters of the American Revolution Award	Joyce Buckert
Presentation of Diplomas	Jessica Knicl Board Member
*Benediction	Taylor Maria Cordosa Roberts
*Recessional	Illini West High School Band

***Audience, please stand.**

Marshals

Jaylie Garrison, Owen Huls, Anna Jacob, Deacon Zaehringer