PROVISO MATHEMATICS & SCIENCE ACADEMY

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM



CLASS OF 2025

MAY 24, 2025 | 1:00 P.M.

Credit Union 1 Arena University of Illinois at Chicago 525 S. Racine Ave. Chicago, IL 60607

Proviso Township High Schools District 209

Board of Education

Ms. Jenny Barbahen, President
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Mr. Krish Mohip, Superintendent of Schools

Proviso Mathematics and Science Academy Building Administration

Ms. Cristin Chiganos, Principal
Dr. Erin Mason, Assistant Principal for Academics
Ms. Kim McElroy, Assistant Principal for Student Success
Mr. Peter Zak, Dean for Student Success and Safety
Mr. Justin Berthold, Band Director
Mr. Matthew Brown, Music Director
Ms. Jennifer Stompor, Activities Director

Student Services

Mr. Ruben Godinez, Social Services
Ms. Kathryn Harney-Forde, Special Education Services
Ms. Ninorta Jarmoc, Counselor
Ms. Melissa Lugo, Counselor
Ms. Nikki Mejstrik, Counselor
Ms. Constance Paprocki, Counselor
Ms. Amy Paulus, College and Career Counselor
Ms. Tianna Watt, Social Services



Commencement Program

Processional

Board of Education, Administration, Faculty, Graduates "Pomp and Circumstance" by Edward Elgar

National Anthem

"The Star-Spangled Banner" by Francis Scott Key Performed by the PMSA Senior Choir

Principal's Welcome

Dr. Erin Mason

Superintendent's Address

Mr. Krish Mohip

Board President's Address

Ms. Jenny Barbahen

Musical Selection

"PMSA 2025 Melody" Performed by the PMSA Academy Voices

Band Selection

"Music for Wicked"

Performed by the PMSA Band

Directed by Mr. Justin Berthold

Distinction Research Mentorship Scholar

Miss Yoselin Mendoza

Distinction IB Research Scholar

Miss Dieiba Ibares

AP Capstone Distinction Graduate

Mr. Cameron Neely

Student Selected Speaker

Miss Karina Portillo-Ocampo

Presentation of Graduates

PMSA/District Administration

Awarding of Diplomas

Administration, Superintendent of Schools, and Board of Education

Recessional

Graduates, Faculty, and Dignitaries "Pomp and Circumstance" by Edward Elgar

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Tudor Abuzatoaie Ξ★ Ω ‡

Yocelyn Acosta Katie Aguilar

Amalachukwu Agwuncha

★+Ÿ

Jesse Alanis Zuluaga Ξ Jasmin Almaui Ξ★ Evan Alonzo Ξ **+** Ÿ Julissa Alvarez

Cecilia Amial Cervantes Ÿ

Giselle Anaya+ Viridiana Angon ∃ € Jaden Anthony ∃ Carlos Antunez Alejandra Aragon

Brandon Arnold-Wallace

Ξ★ + Ÿ ‡

Sinai ArreolaD
Brithany Avila
Daniella Ayala
Leonardo Ayala
Avigail Azcatl
Tamia Banks Ξ
Bernardo Barreda
Nancy Bartolo + Ÿ
Jordan Beard + Ÿ
Thalia Becker
Angel Benitez

Michaela Bloomfield Liyah Bradley = Zoie Brown =

Lissete Cabral

Diego Calderon**+** Ÿ ‡

Aylin Carmona

Brianna Carreno Ayala E

Giovanni Carrera ∃ Damiah Carter + Ÿ Alondra Casarez Navelli Castellanos

Jose Chavez

Francisco Chavez-JacintoD

Ailanie Cisneros

Jocelyn (Jocelyn) Correa Ξ€

Kaylie Creamer★ Kaede Crone Ξ Aniya Davis

Janet Diaz Avelar Aldo Diaz Sandoval Ivan Diggs E**+** Ÿ Diamond Dorsey Ivan Duran =

Christian Echeverria **+** Ÿ Samantha Echeverria Alyssa Edwards Adrianna Erdman Anthony Escobar Osmar Escobedo Ξ

Nicolas Espinosa-Londono Christopher Fabusuyi

Daisy Favela

Tania Esparza E

Ricardo Fernandez + Ÿ
Ashley Fierro + Ÿ
Diego Figueroa Ξ
Yasmine Flores
Jessica Flowers Ξ
Justin Fondren Ξ
Frederick Franzwa *

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Emmanuel Galant Ξ

Christopher Garcia-Jimenez

Kaylin Garcilazo Zoey George Ξ

Agustin Gomez Salas

Brianna Gomez Vivian Gomez ∃ Diego Gonzalez ∃ € ‡

Isabela Gonzalez Julissa Gonzalez =**+** Ÿ

Rebeca Gonzalez

Denize Grimaldo E
Luis Gudino E
Scarlett Guerrero
Vanessa Guerrero
Jariely Guiracocha
Jocelyn Gutierrez E

Saniya Hamilton-Jackson

Eligha Hamlin

Emanuel Hanner Becerra David Hayes Becerra E Elizabeth Henning E † Diego Hermosillo E

Vida Hernandez Frida Hernandez-Campos

Mayte Hernandez-Morales ∃★D

Denise Herrera
Liseth Herrera
Trinity Hodges Ξ
Melissa Honorato Ξ
Jacob Hunter
Dieiba Ibares D Ω
Jayonna Jacks Ξ
Kennedi James Ξ ♣ Ÿ

Joaquin Johnson Yaretzie Juarez Kavla Kellv

Muhib Khan ∃ ★
Logan Komperda
Victoria Lawson Ξ
Jasmine Leanos Ξ

Cedric Lega Erick Lemus * Ruby Leon E

Kaylianna Lewis ∃★+ Ÿ ‡

Christy B. Lima
Vivian Lin★
Sophia Loera
Cynthia Lomeli
Dayanara Lopez
Eileen Lopez E
Ethan Lopez
Max Lopez

Adalberto Macias Matt Jared Mamaril ‡

Saniyah Martin

Jonathan Martinez EsquivelD

Estefany Martinez
Gladis Martinez = #
Jaqueline Martinez
Osmar Martinez =
Rafael Martinez
Jalyn Mclaughlin #
Erick Mendiola
Hiram Mendoza =
Yoselin Mendoza
Caitlin Metcalf
Anahi Molina

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Yair Morales-Armenta

Valeria Munoz Daniel Murillo Annabella Myers Olivia Nava Arelv Navarrete

Stephanie Navarrete

Fernando Navarro Cameron Neelv★+ Ÿ

Jalen Neely †
Natalie Newhouse
Takaiia Nichols
Jesus Nieves
Alan Ocampo

Briana Ocegueda Diego OceguedaD Hitany Ortega Isabella Ortega Jocelyn Owens Dante Padron Aliyah Palacios

Daniel Palomino-Gomez

∃**★** €**十** Ÿ ‡

William Paredes-Duran

Stefany Paz + Ÿ †
Jonathon Perez †
Anathalia Pineda

Karina Portillo-Ocampo €

Sean Pugh Ξ Amanda Quezada Jorge Ramirez

Christel Jazlyn Ramones Margaret Redmond Christian Reese★+ Ÿ‡ Marco Rico Ernesto Rios Joel Rivera Ξ Michelle Rivera Fatima Robledo Joshua Robles**+** Ÿ Shelcy Rodriguez

Carlos Rodriguez-Vargas

Eileen Rojas Zayvion Rubio Kaleigh Rush Isle Saenz

Valeria Salgado Ramires

Lindsey Sanchez Dante Santos

Jaylyn Scavella ∃★ ‡
Maeve Schoo ∃★ €
Soraya Segovia ∃
Sophia Serrano
Marco Servin ∃ ‡
Deshaun Shavers
Trinity Shearer
Daniela Silva €

Christopher Solorzano

Tia Teague Kaliah Thomas

Karion Smith★

Jennifer Tino Flores ‡
Anthony Uribe ∃♣ Ÿ
Valentina Valdez
Adrian Vanegas
Heidi Varela ∃
Marisol Vargas
Marycruz Vazguez

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Julissa Velasquez Julietta Venegas Ares Villa Jennifer Villa Ξ Diego Villalobos Saul Villalobos E Luke Voegtle★+ Ÿ‡ Logan Wagner James Walker Bryan Weeks★+ Ÿ ‡ Paul Willis Aalivah Younger Nubia Zapata★ ‡ Cynthia Zaragoza * Daniel Zhang E★ €* Melany Zurita

The Academic Regalia

The ceremonial garb of the academic procession, known as the Academic Regalia, can trace its origins back to the universities of the 11th and 12th centuries. Today's academic life first took form during the Middle Ages, when this regalia served as the outward sign of privilege and responsibility. The principal features of the academic dress are the gown and cap.

The Gown: The origins of the flowing academic gown can be traced back to the 12th century. While it originally may have been worn as protection against the cold of unheated buildings, it has evolved over the centuries into a symbol of scholarly democracy. The gown's purpose is to cover any attire indicative of rank or social standing, thereby underscoring the equalizing nature of education.

The bachelor's gown features pointed sleeves and is typically worn closed. The master's gown, on the other hand, has an oblong sleeve open at the wrist, with the base of the sleeve hanging down in the traditional manner. For the Doctorate, the gown boasts bell-shaped sleeves and is distinguished by black velvet facing on the front and three velvet bars across the sleeves.

The Cap: The academic cap symbolizes both the freedom of scholarship and the accompanying dignity and responsibility it bestows upon the wearer. As recorded in old poetry, the square shape of the cap represents the book, further reinforcing its symbolic connection to scholarship.

The Hood: Historically, the hood was used to cover the head until it was replaced by the academic cap. Today, academic hoods are lined with the official color(s) of the degree-conferring college or university, adding another layer of distinction and tradition to the regalia.

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