

**PROVISO MATH & SCIENCE ACADEMY**

# COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM



**CLASS OF 2024**

**JUNE 8, 2024 | 4:00 P.M.**

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

# PROVISO TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOLS DISTRICT 209

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	Merit School of Music

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Mr. Ruben Godinez.....	Social Services
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Ms. Nikki Mejstrik.....	Counselor
Ms. Constance Paprocki.....	Counselor
Ms. Tianna Watt.....	Social Services



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## Commencement Program

Processional.....	Board of Education, Administration, Faculty, Graduates “Pomp and Circumstance” by Edward Elgar
National Anthem.....	PMSA Senior Choir “The Star-Spangled Banner” by Francis Scott Key
Principal’s Welcome.....	Ms. Cristin Chiganos
Board President’s Address.....	Mr. Samuel Valtierrez
Key Note Speaker.....	Rev. Dr. Lawrence D. Perez, DMin
Faculty Address.....	Ms. Sarah Huels
Musical Selection.....	PMSA Academy Voices “PMSA 2024 Melody”
Band Selection.....	PMSA Band “I’m Still Standing” by Elton John and Bernie Taupin, arranged by Matt Conaway
Distinction Research Mentorship Scholar.....	Ms. Adlemy Salinas
Distinction IB Research Scholar .....	Ms. Elyssa Barba
AP Capstone Distinction Graduate .....	Mr. Milo Gittings
Student Selected Speaker.....	Ms. Lucy Forde
Presentation of Graduates.....	Ms. Cristin Chiganos
Awarding of Diplomas.....	Principal, Superintendents of Schools and Board of Education
Recessional.....	Graduates, Faculty and Dignitaries “Pomp and Circumstances” by Edward Elgar



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## Proviso Mathematics and Science Academy 2024 Graduates

★ Member of The National Honor Society

✚ International Baccalaureate

Δ Research Mentorship, Graduating with Distinction

‡ Illinois State Scholar

Θ Seal of Bilingual

Ÿ AP Research Capstone Distinction Graduates

Ω French Honor Society

€ Spanish Honor Society

*Listing in this program does not confirm graduation status. Final certification is pending completion of all requirements.*

Acevedo, Vida Adamary Θ

Acosta, Victoria

Adame, Ethan Evan

Adebajo, Obafemi

Akbar, Nyah Mekedah

Aleman, Christopher Θ

Amaro, Gabriel ✚ Θ

Andrade, Bryan Nicolas Θ

Antunez, Jonathan

Aranda, Ethan Connor Δ

Arceo, Lesly Yunuen ✚ Θ

Arreola, Gabriel

Arroyo, Josue

Ayala, Naylah Fernanda

Bahena-Aviles, Letzy Yuridia ‡ ★ Θ

Baker, Daniel Tyrone Ÿ

Ballentine, Paris Akeela

Barba, Elyssa Marie ‡ ★ ✚ Θ

Barrera, Isaías Samuel

Barrett, Liam John Ÿ

Belmonte, Aldo

Beltran, Itzel Θ

Benitez, Melissa F

Bonilla, Sebastian Θ

Bravo, Dulce Fabiola Δ Θ

Brooks, Jacara Deasia

Brown, Jada Crystal ★

Bustamante, Yessica Lizeth

Cabillo, Franz Marion Fabiana ‡ Ÿ

Cabrera, Alany Θ

Caldwell, Quardero Sherrod

Carbajal, Ruby

Carreras, Cynthia Ÿ

Carrillo-Avelar, Sandra Rubi

Caston, Jordynne Marie

Castro, Natalie Georgia Ÿ Θ

Clark, Kai Emoni ★

Cobb, Cameron Alise Ÿ Θ Ω

Collisi, Natalie Renee

Contreras, Jakelyn Θ

Cordero, Schandy ‡ ★ ✚ Θ Ω

Corral, Eric Θ

Corral, Gabriella Lizeth Θ

Corral, Julian Miguel Θ

Covarrubias, Valeria Θ

Cruz Granados, Hillary Δ ★ Θ

Delgado, Adan Jose	Hernandez-Muniz, Denise $\Delta \Theta \Omega$
Delgado, Ramiro	Herrera, Oscar
Dominguez, Angel Pablo $\Theta$	Herrera, Ricardo $\star \clubsuit \Theta$
Dorsey-Thurman, Sara Catherine	Ho, Eunice Yuehua $\ddagger \star \tilde{Y}$
Dukes, Jaylene Ann $\ddagger \star \clubsuit \Omega$	Hoffa, Savannah E
Edwards, Amira Joy	Hogan, Rosalyn Marie
Escobedo, Adely $\Delta \Theta$	House, Jordan Alexander
Esquivel, Ashley Kenia	Huerta, Benjamin $\tilde{Y}$
Fabian, Adreana Therese	Hull, London Jolie
Flores, Cristhian	Huner, Miela $\star \clubsuit \Theta$
Forde, Lucille Anne $\ddagger \star \Theta \ell$	Hunter, Tytiana
Freeman, Cheyenne Lanae	Issa, Nour Moussa $\ddagger \star \clubsuit \Theta$
Galvan, Anna Catherine $\star$	Jaime, Yara Karime $\Theta$
Galvan, Jennifer $\ddagger \star \tilde{Y} \Theta$	James, Sabrina Elizabeth $\star \Theta$
Gamboa Palomares, Stephanie	Jaworowski, Soraya Marie $\Delta$
Garcia, Kyara Victoria $\clubsuit \Theta$	Jones, Anaiyah Simone $\Delta$
Gibson, Kamryn Danielle $\ddagger \star$	Jones, Kamari Nicole $\Theta$
Ginbot, Wadik Mahder $\star \tilde{Y}$	Lauvina, Joshua Jasper
Gittings, Milo Oliver Lee $\ddagger \star \tilde{Y}$	Leanos, Danielle Davon
Gomez Luna, Emily Rachel $\ddagger \star \tilde{Y} \Theta$	Lindsey, Arianna
Gomora, Wendy $\ddagger \clubsuit \Theta \Omega$	Lizama, Yaretti $\star \tilde{Y} \Theta$
Gonzalez, Alfredo	Loera, Bryssel Ruby $\Theta$
Gonzalez, Emma $\Theta$	Lomeli, Fernanda $\ddagger \star \Theta$
Gonzalez, Julien Nathan	Lopez, Kaitlyn Ann $\star$
Grey, Angelina Delilah $\Theta$	Lovera, Cassandra Collier
Guerrero, Kaden Angel	Luna-Pina, Karen Guadalupe $\clubsuit \Theta$
Gutierrez, Rigoberto	Martin-Tejada, Brandon Saul
Guzman Chavez, Mauricio $\Theta$	Martinez, Amayrani Guadalupe $\Delta \star \ell$
Hansen, Maya Lynne	Martinez, Evelyn $\Theta$
Harrington, Jamaria $\clubsuit$	Martinez, Jazmin $\Theta$
Harrison, Mya D $\ddagger \star$	Martinez, Priscilla Xitlali $\clubsuit \Theta$
Hernandez De La Rosa, Amy Madeley $\clubsuit \Theta$	Mejia, Giselle Arlene $\Delta \ddagger \star \Theta$
Hernandez, Yair $\Delta \Theta$	Melendez, Guillermo Arid $\Theta$
Hernandez-Morales, Karol $\clubsuit \Theta$	Metcalf, Brandon Robert

Meza, Nadia ★ ○ €	Romero, Jathziri Anahi ○
Michaels, Matthew Thomas	Rosales, Ailin
Miramontes, Carlos Andres Ÿ ○ Ω	Rosales, Brandon
Monreal, Samanta ○	Ruelas, Diego ○
Montalvo, Elena Δ ‡ ○ €	Ruiz, Stephanie ○
Montoya, Manuel ★ Ÿ ○ €	Saldana, Sharlyn
Morales-Zuniga, Jocelyn ○	Salinas, Adlemy Δ Ÿ ○
Nunez, Mia Makayla	Salto, Julissa Beatriz ○
Ocampo, Damian Alexis ○	Salto-Hernandez, Adrian ○
Ohazurume, Joseph Chiemeka	Sanchez, Adileny ‡ ★ ○
Okyerere, Nana Oforu Ampomah	Sanchez, Edgar Ronaldo
Ordaz, Itzel	Sanchez, Marilyn ‡ ★ Ÿ ○
Ortega, Diego	Sandoval Sanchez, Stephanie Δ ○
Parks, Amyiah L	Serrano, Destiny Angel
Patrick, Kaitlyn Olivia ‡ ○	Sevilla, Johnny Gabriel ○
Perez, Julian Eddie	Shepherd, Namari Avonte
Perez, Omar	Shirlee, Jermaine Eugene ★ Ÿ
Price, Jaylen Larell	Smith, Kaliyah C
Ramirez, Arely Jazmin ○	Smith, Myles Kobie
Reyes, Roxana ○	Talavera, Tanya Ÿ ○
Rice, Maya Evelin Δ	Taylor, J Niyah Eve
Rios, Daniel Antonio	Tellez, Alexis ○
Rivas, Esmeralda Ÿ	Thomas, Amyah Denise
Rivera Ramos, Marilyn ‡	Thompson, Toni Angelia
Rivera, Adrian	Thurman, Aaliyah Stephanie
Rivera, Joshua Jaiden	Tibbs, Arrin Willie ○
Rodriguez Hernandez, Emily ‡ ★ ‡ ○ Ω	Toledo, Josue Abraham ○
Rodriguez, Adriana Karina ○	Torres, Juan Manuel
Rodriguez, Alyssa Gabriella	Tupas, Raynuel Jimenez Ÿ
Rodriguez, Jamileth	Valladares, Guillermo Gabriel
Rodriguez, Joselyn Yarezi	Varney, Erin Amber
Rodriguez, Paola Ÿ ○	Vasquez, Angel ○
Rodriguez, Yizel Francis Ÿ ○	Vazquez, Jatli Sabrina ○
Rojo, Michelle Δ ○	Vazquez, Valeria ★ ○

Ventura, Ramiro Alejandro Δ

Vera, Arianna Carmen Ÿ

Walton, Oriana Andrea

Wellington, Clarence Claude

Wells, Malik Heru ✚ Θ

Wesolowski, Owen † ★ Θ €

Williams, Mckayla Jelius Renee

Woodard, Zharia A I

Zaragoza, Gael

*Graduation Disclaimer: Participation in the ceremony is optional and is not an official verification of graduation requirements. Some students may have remaining class requirements.*

## 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.

*Adapted from The American Council on Education*



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