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> McKayla Brooke Thibodeau, Kaylee Dawn Thomas, Isaac Dale Vaden, Kaylee Grace Wagoner, Emily Ann Wall, and Solomon Levi Watson, Gracie Victoria Whitaker, Makayla Rose Willard, Jasmine Grace Sue Woodard, Hayleigh Ellen Woods and Savannah Nicole Wriston.



East Gurry High School 2024 Junior Marshals

The East Surry High School 2024 junior marshals are, from left, front row, Taylor Bullington, Kimberly Whitaker, Grace Leftwich, and Madison Cook; back row, Merry Parker Boaz, Joanna Parker, Colby Goins, Claire Hull, and Addison Goins.

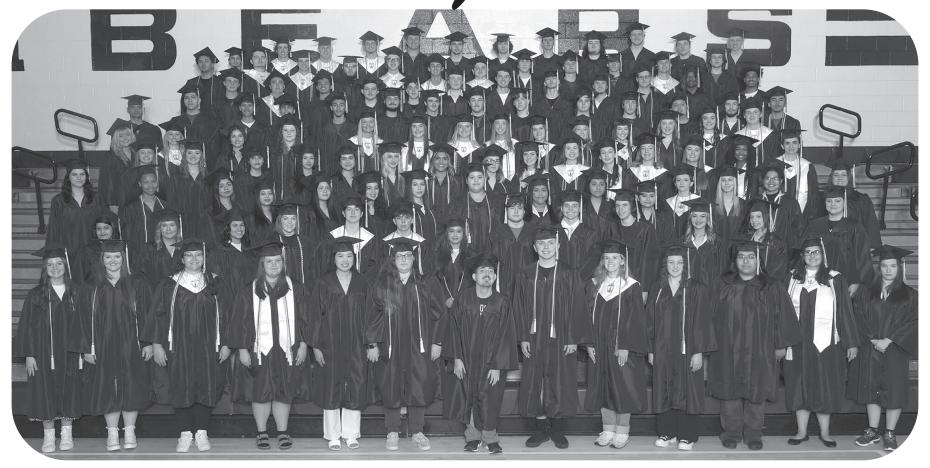




East Gurry High School 2024 Honorary Marshals

The 2024 East Surry High School honorary marshals are, from left, front row, Coraleigh Wells, Rebecca Bautista-Alonso, Tegan Minor, and Taylore Hill; back, Noah Felts, Stephen Keener, and Banks Johnson.

Mount Airy High School Elass of 2024



The 2024 graduating class of Mount Airy High School.



North Surry High School Elass of 2024

The North Surry High School Class of 2024 includes Angel Rose Adame, Zavier Orion Alcala, Macean Reide Alvear, Amador-Galot, Enrique Emily Ann Angel, Madison RayAnn Angel, Yefrin Josue Arias Alvarado, Trampus Cole Atkins, Maribel Avila, Cesar Eduardo Avila Medrano, Sadie Badgett, Elizabeth Haley LaDonna Baker, Charlotte Anne Banfield, Brody Houston Ortiz Barker, and Charles Maxwell Barnard:

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Choplin, Gabriel Alexander Coalson, Isabelle James Debra Cowan, Maggie Grace Guadalupe Cruz-Creed. Jaime Cruz-Martinez, Flores, Alexis Marie Cummings, Dierks Kemp Daughenbaugh, Reily DeLeon-Ramirez, Anderson Kayley Louise Dickens, Corbin Elijah Dollyhigh, Myles Elliott Draughn, James Larry Eades, Casey Leigh Edwards, Kaylee Grace Edwards, Rogan Lorne Elias-Edwards, Kimberly Hernandez, Autumn Jade Evans, Mattie Elisa Everett, and Harley Ray Felts;

Braeden Charles Fields, Jovani Alexander Flores, D'Marcus McKinley France, Abram Michael Gammons, Alexander George, Gracie Ellen Goings, Charles Kristoffer Kaufhold;

Goins, Bradley Goins, Summer Rain Austin Goins, Armando Gomez, Yocelin Gonzalez, Cristofer Esteban Gonzalez-Lugo, Jackson Thomas Graves, Luis Rodrigo Grimaldo, Angel Alejandro Gutierrez, Ethan Ty Gwyn, Brayden Reese Hall, Samuel David Hamlin, and Amber Rain Harris;

Cheyenne Alyce Hawks, Jedda Rae Hawks, Kori Allison Hawks, Brayden Dee Hays, Benjamin Alfred Hiatt, Hannah Sherry Hiatt, Kenneth Mason Hicks, Marisa Grace Hicks, Carolyn Joyce Hintz, Roger Darin Hodges, Hope Alyssah Horan, Jansen Michael Huff, Kaylynn Anna Hull, Lexi Leigh Hurley, Aiden Carter Johnson, Kobey Dewayne Johnson, Landon Wayne Johnston, Madison Renee Jones, Skylar Rae Jones, James Garcia, Brittany Allison Jonathan Juarez-Sanchez, and

Kaden Bradley King, Hannah Morgan Lanthier, Xochitl Nayeli Wesley David Lara-Bueno, Large, Gracin Schae Lawson, Danielle Lynn Leonard, Ivan Josue Leyva-Ortega, Arianna Vanessa Liberatore, June Lopez-Hernandez, Harrison Dean Lowe, Noe Lugo-Ruiz, Jose Edwin Maldonado, Cloe Danielle Marsh, Aiden Anthony Martin, Samuel Keith Martin, Joseph Leeland Martinez, Arlex Fabricio Matamoros Medrano, Konnor Issac Mauldin, Mikaylee Marie Mauldin, and Eric James;

McLaughlin, McMillian, Avery Brodie Autumn Lynn Meadows, Eduar Jose Mejia Hernandez, Sol Liliana Ballenger Mijes, Makkhi David Monday, Emily Faith Montgomery, Emily Faith Montgomery, Avonlea Morgan, Abigail Lee Moser, Kennedy Reece Niston, Brandon David Norris, Caden Marie O'Brien, Wendy OlivoBermudez, Riley Ann Parrish, Julia Pedraza Palacios, Vy Thuy Phan, Mallori Faith Puckett, Edward Arnold Radford III, Jacob Ray Ramey, and Jason Jonathan Ramos Ramirez;

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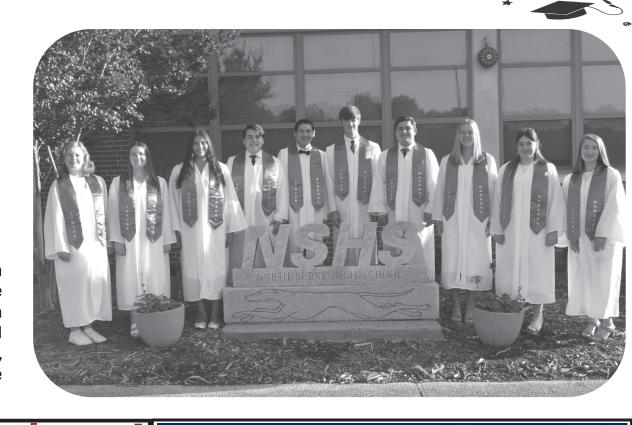
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Payton Wade Vaught Jr., Vazquez-Maldonado, Edgar Olivo Vega, Lucas Reid Vestal, Shakira Michaelle Jimmy Cole Wall, Abigail Gracie Willard, Ava Gizelle Willard, Levi Montana Willard, Kacey Lynn Wilson, Kylie Grace Wilson, Zeb Maddux Wolfe, Shelby Eve Anna Woodruff, and Xander Cole Wyatt.



North Surry Junior Marshals

Junior Marshals for the 2024 North Surry High School grduation include Cassidy Mills, Anna Flippen, Anna Nichols, Escobar. Kinston Rodriguez, Ryan Woodruff, Carter Hull, Ella Riggs, Kendyl Brinkman, and Mattie Bare.



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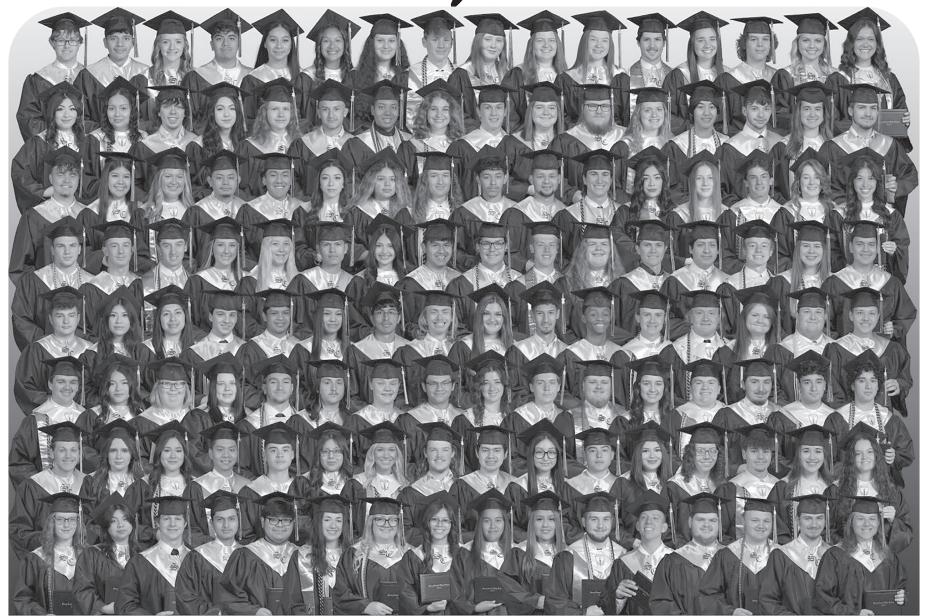
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Surry Central High School Elass of 2024 Class of 2024



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Surry Central Junior Marshals

The Surry Central High School junior marshals attending to the 2024 graduation include, from left, front row, Luke Creed, Aubree Dobson, Jennifer Duran-Martinez, Ayden Norman, and McKenna Merritt; second row, Isaac Eller, Chase Butcher, Tripp McMillen, Lucas Johnson, and Lily O'Neal.





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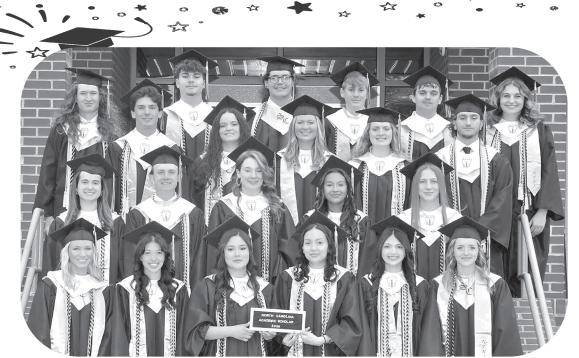






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Surry Central North Carolina Academic Scholar Sraduates

Surry Central North Carolina Academic Scholar graduates include, from left, front row, Mollie Coe, Karlie Robertson, Abril Camacho, Guadalupe Rodriguez Gonzalez, Yeira Lopez Munoz, and Ivy Toney; second row, Aubrey Southern, Chris Hall, Madlyn Quesenberry, Mitzy Vasquez, and Ella Priddy; third row, Dalton Quesenberry, Ally Crotts, Kaylin Moody, Cassie Sneed, and Reid Danley; fourth row, Nathan Narehood, Mason Cox, Maddox Marshall, Evan Wall, Colby Cruise, and Kylee Schendel. Not pictured are Brooke Atkins, Sierra Crabb, Lanie Fitzgerald, Adrian Garcia, Jose Garcia, Chris Hall, Trey Hamlin, Kaylee McCraw, and Aylin Soto Rodriguez.

Surry Central Honor Society Eraduates



Surry Central High School graduates who are members of the National Honor Society include, from left, first row, Mollie Coe, Karlie Robertson, Abril Camacho, Guadalupe Rodriguez Gonzalez, Yeira Lopez Munoz, and Yessica Morena Ledesma; second row, Aubrey Southern, Chris Hall, Madlyn Quesenberry, Kayli Grizzell, Kayla Wall, Mitzy Vasquez, and Ella Priddy; third row, Dalton Quesenberry, Isaac McCormick, Ally Crotts, Kaylin Moody, Cassie Sneed, and Reid Danley; fourth row, Kailei Zurita, Brianna Wilmoth, Nathan Narehood, Eli Scott, Mason Cox, Maddox Marshall, Landan Beverly, Evan Wall, Colby Cruise, Kylee Schendel, and Andrew Fulk. Additional members not pictured include Brooke Atkins, Adrian Garcia, Jose Garcia, Lanie Fitzgerald, Trey Hamlin, Taylor Holt, Kaylee McCraw, Aylin Rodriguez, and Alex Huffman.

Surry Sentral Jechnical Honor Society Fraduates



Surry Central Class of 2024 members who are part of the National Technical Honor Society include, from left, first row, Jasmine Wall, Karlie Robertson, Peyton Wood, Cindy Gomez, Emily Padilla; second row, Mollie Coe, Ivy Toney, Guadalupe Rodriquez Gonzalez, and Yeira Lopez Munoz; third row, Aubrey Southern, Andrew Fulk, Kayli Grizzell, Kayla Wall, and Mitzy Vasquez, fourth row, Ally Crotts, Thien AnCat, Kaylin Moody, Fisher Freeman, and Cassie Sneed; fifth row, Kailei Zurita, Brianna Wilmoth, Dalton Quesenberry, Landon Johnson, Mason Cox, Maddox Martin, Ayden Wilmoth, Landan Beverly, Evan Wall, Colby Cruise, and Kylee Schendel. Those not pictured include Brooke Atkins, Cassie Sneed, and Lanie Fitzgerald.

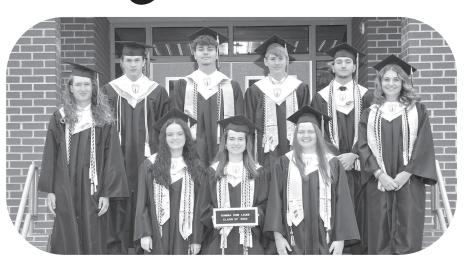


Surry Central Cum Laude Graduates

Surry Central High School Cum Laude include, from left, first row, Emily Padilla and Guadalupe Rodriguez Gonzalez; second row, Kailei Zurita, Mollie Coe, and Kayli Grizzell; third row, Landon Johnson and Landan Beverly. Not pictured are Adrian Garcia, Yessica Moreno Ledesma, Jose Garcia, Isaac Gonzalez, and Landon Pack.



Surry Eentral Summa Eum Laude Graduates



Surry Central High School Summa Cum Laude graduates in the Class of 2024 include, from left, front row, Ally Crotts, Aubrey Southern, and Kayla Wall; second row, Nathan Narehood, Eli Scott, Mason Cox, Evan Wall, and Reid Danley. Not pictured are Brooke Atkins, Lanie Fitzgerald, Kaylee McCraw, Sierra Crabb, and Trey Hamlin.

Surry Eentral Magna Eum Laude Graduates

Surry Central Magna Cum Laude Graduates: 1st Row: Karlie Robertson; 2nd Row: Abril Camacho, Madlyn Quesenberry, Ella Priddy, Mitzy Vasquez, Yiera Lopez Munoz; 3rd Row: Andrew Fulk, Isaac McCormick, Chris Hall, Cassie Sneed; 4th Row: Brianna Wilmoth, Dalton Quesenberry, Maddox Marshall, Colby Cruise, Kaylin Moody; Not Pictured: Taylor Holt, Aylin Soto Rodriguez,



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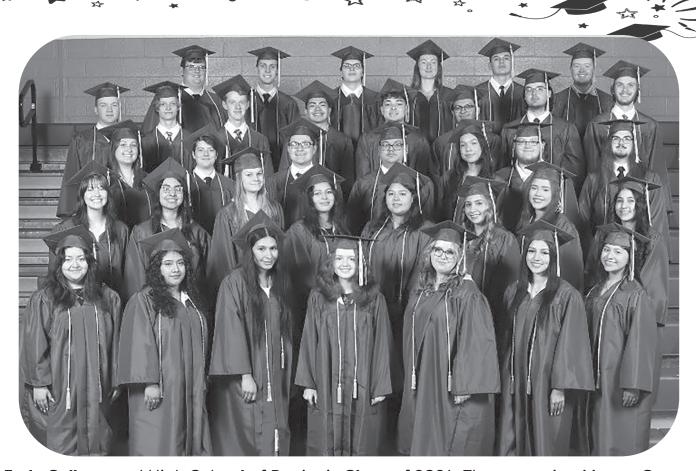
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Surry Early College Class of 2024



Avalos, Leah Christine Yvonne Baker, Elijah Tanner Brolin, Cole Thomas Carroll, Corbin Chase Collins, Karsen Lee Samual Conner, Maleena Marie Cormier, and Jaqueline Cortes Montero; Charles Allan Crumpton, Merarie Fernanda De La Rosa, Jackson Hughes Evans, Alexis Marie Fox, Yuridia Gallegos-Echavarrieta, Caitlyn Paige Gibson, Elorah Abigail Gillispie, Jim Gomez, Alejandro Ted Govea, Hadie Guarneros-Montoya, Lizeth Sarai Guerra, Consuelo Areli Hernandez, Lizbeth Hernandez-Benitez, and Christopher Hernandez-Carrillo; Shayna Reann Hicks, Ryan Logan Hollifield, Cynthia Landaverde-Chavez, Willow Brooke Lawson, Jordan Alexandre Leos, Elycya Kashmyne Kayelea Little, Morgan Chase Lynch, Vincent Gabriel Mancini, Jacob Walter Meadows, Jesus Mena-Arambula, Jay Richard Mitchell, Josie Gonzalez Nuñez, Tyler Andrew Oakes, and Anthony Eduardo Ojodeagua; Thomas Michael O'Reilly, Haylee Santiago Orellana, Kiddrick Blade Parker, Aaron Nicholas Payne, Kimberly Yasmin Perez Hernandez, Breanna Marie Raines, Kyndal Mackenzie Rakes, Emmanuel Ramirez Montoya, Dreelyn Jade Rash, Reagan Kendall Reece, Quanah Alexander Riddle, Kyleigh Marie Rogers, Heber Hilario Rubio-Villedas, and Henry Cooper Seipel-Parks; Dalton Ryder Smith, Sarah Faith Stephens, Ethan James Stevens, Kenneth Riley Streeter, Alexia Rubi Suarez, Kendall Michelle Thomas, Jacqueline Trejo, Marisol Urquiza-Ocampo, Marlen Urquiza-Ocampo, Zachary Ryan Vanhoy, Kenia Vargas-Hernandez, Emily Leslie Venegas-Garcia, Christy Jacqueline Villasenor-Hernandez, Kallib Wade Wheat, and Fabian Zapata.

Surry Early College Honor Graduates



Honor graduates in the Surry Early College and High School of Design's Class of 2024. Those earning Magna Cum Laude are wearing a silver cord; Cum Laude graduates are wearing an old gold cord; while Summa Cum Laude gradutes are wearing a Gold Cord.



Surry Early College Junior Marshals

The Surry Early College and High School of Design 2024 Junior Marshals are, from left, front row, Adair Ayala, Peyton Hiatt, and Ethan Diaz; back row, Kimberly Nguyen, Reagan Smiley, Ellie Morris, and Denice Pinzon-Silvas. Not pictured is Benjamin Sain.

Slass of 2024 Surry Online Magnet School Class of 2024



Students who graduated from the Surry Online Magnet School in 2024 include Jesenia Avila, Chyenne Bowling, Kelsey Cockerham. Zoie Easter, Montanna Edwards, Hailey Freeman, Gracie Goins, Kalie Holyfield, and Savannah Howard; Luke Johnson, Noah Johnson, Dane Lambert, Kaylee Lawson, Louis Lazzerini, Harley Marion, Melody McHone, Haley Medvar, Jacob Price, Alexander Rios, Vanessa Ruiz-Lugo, Abby Saul, Neely Sizemore, Skyler Spencer, and Lillie Thompson.



Fourry Online Magnet Honor Society Graduates



Surry County Online Magnet School Honor Society members include, from left, graduates Luke Johnson and Melody McHone, a student whose name was not provided by the school, and graduates Lillie Thompson and Noah Johnson.

Surry Online Magnet Junior Marshal



Jaden Patience Wiles was selected as the 2024 Junior Marshal for the graduation exercises.



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SEE Eelebrates Elass of 2024 graduates

Surry Community College held its 56th commencement ceremony in the gymnatorium on the Dobson campus on May 11. The college had 637 graduates who earned a total of 422 degrees, 138 diplomas, and 310 certificates.

Associate in Applied Science degrees, one-year diplomas, and certificates were awarded to students who completed one of the college's career technology programs. Associate in General Education degrees were awarded to students who completed two years of education designed for academic enrichment and personal growth and development. Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degrees were awarded to students who completed the College Transfer Program.

Forrest Lineberry, SCC vice president of student services, welcomed the audience and introduced SCC President Dr. David Shockley who gave the commencement address.

Dr. Shockley encouraged the graduates to be responsible in their life choices. In addition to noting that they had already made wise choices by furthering their education at Surry Community College, he commented, "Take responsibility of your choices and own them. Don't allow others to take control of the responsible choices you make, and don't be afraid to take the path less taken. Embrace the attitude of sacrifice and work, because anything worth having is worth work and sacrifice, and this will lead to ever changing choices that ultimately lead to peace and joy in life."

Dr. Ashley Morrison, SCC vice president of instruction, presented the graduates to the audience. Dr. Shockley and Dr. Candace Holder, senior vice president of academics



New graduates smile as they receive their degrees, diplomas, and certificates at the 56th Commencement Ceremony at Surry Community College.

and student affairs, presented degrees, diplomas and certificates to the 206 students who participated in the ceremony including fall, spring, and summer graduates. Summit Strings performed musical selections during the ceremony.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, while families and friends responded with thunderous applause, students participated in the traditional "turning of the tassel"

from the right side of their caps to the left to denote the earning of their degrees, diplomas, and certificates.

SCC is currently registering students for fall classes. anyone with questions about college the application, financial aid, or career choices, contact Student Services at 336–386–3264 or studentservices@surry. edu. Fall classes begin Aug. 15.



Dr. David Shockley, president of Surry Community College, presented the commencement address at the 56th Commencement Ceremony of Surry Community College.

Students prepare to enter the gymnatorium for their commencement exercises at Surry Community College.

Forty students graduate in SEE Nursing Graduation and Pinning Geremony



Twenty-three Surry Community College students recently graduated from the Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) program, and 17 students graduated from the Licensed Practical Nursing to Associate Degree Nursing (LPN-ADN) program.at the 56th Commencement Ceremony at Surry Community College.

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The pinning and graduation ceremony was held May 9, on SCC's Dobson campus.

The ceremony began with a welcome from Surry Community College President Dr. David Shockley, followed by remarks from Dr. Yvonne Johnson, SCC Dean of Health Sciences. Guest speaker was Allison

Bedsaul, MSN, RN, Director of Nursing Education at Northern Regional Hospital. She encouraged students to see difficult situations not just as problems, but to see them as opportunities to learn more and become better, to not just follow the majority, but to follow the right way.

SCC Nurse Educators Sarah Broadstreet, MSN, RN, and Jessica Lara, BSN, RN, presented the Nightingale Award to graduate Megan Underwood, selected by the SCC nursing faculty, for outstanding demonstration of excellent nursing ideals and attributes.

Shockley presented diplomas to the graduates, while SCC Nurse Educator Julie Collins, MSN, RN, presented the pins. Dr. Ashley Morrison, SCC Vice President of Instruction, presented the graduates to the audience, and SCC Nurse Educator Sarah Broadstreet led the graduates in the Nurse's Pledge.

Associate Degree Nursing graduates are Madelyn Barker of Mount Airy, Amanda Boyles of Yadkinville, Alicia Burcham of Dobson, Lorena Cabrera of Mount Airy, Loren Edwards of Mount Airy, Mari Esquibel Rohas of Mount Airy, Savanna Fritts of Pinnacle, Tamara Gaines of Mount Airy, Adele Gibson of Pinnacle, Laci Hash of Galax, Virginia, Autumn Hicks of Pinnacle, Grace Hodges of Elkin, Melanie Lawson of Pinnacle, Mallory Layne of Dobson, Samantha Lunsford of East Bend, Hannah McKnight of King, Madison Murphy of Pilot Mountain, Heavan Shinault of Mount Airy, Megan Underwood of Mount Airy, Anthony Vannoy of Wilkesboro, Kaleigh Vaught of Pilot Mountain, Bethany Vestal of East Bend, and Annika Wood of Elkin.

The LPN to ADN graduates are Autumn Blevins of Sparta, Kathryn Brown of Winston–Salem, Samantha Bryant of Walnut Cove, Carley Davis of Troy, Jennifer Dean of Mooresville, Brianna Gordon of Mount Airy, Luke Hatcher of Lowgap, Lavender Hughes of Ararat, Va., Logan Kirk of Lexington, Beverly Lyons of East Bend, Addy Marshall of Yadkinville, Dove Mayes of Mount Airy, Diana Monroy of Mount Airy, Alexis Robertson of Pinnacle, Sierra Roetken of Union Grove,

Abby Samuels of Mount Airy, and Karissa Workman of North Wilkesboro.

About the graduates, Dr. Johnson stated, "We are so very proud of these students who have worked extremely hard to achieve their goals. Nursing is a rigorous program where students must put much of their lives on hold to achieve the knowledge and skills needed become safe, competent nurses. These students have missed fun times with friends, family functions, and kept their noses to the grindstone, but their hard work is getting ready to result in dividends as they sit for their licensure exams and enter the workforce as nurses. These nurses will be highly sought after and have very bright futures ahead of them."

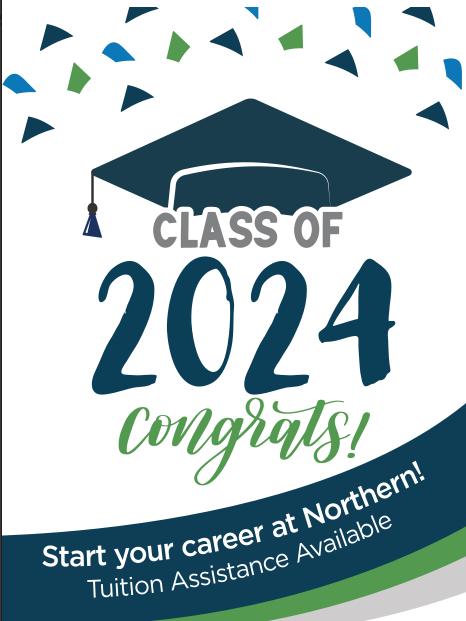
A special part of the ceremony included the "passing of the lamp," which symbolizes the nurses' dedication to providing continuous nursing care to their patients. Just as Florence Nightingale passed her lamp on to the next shift of nurses, the SCC ADN graduates symbolically pass the lamp to the freshman class. ADN graduate Lorena Cabrera passed the lamp to Crystal Mathis, representative for the rising second year students.

Surry Community College students can choose to complete the ADN, which is a two-year program, or currently licensed practical nurses (LPNs) can choose to complete the LPN-ADN program, which is a three-semester program. Graduates are eligible to apply to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX). Employment opportunities are vast within the global health care system and may include positions within acute, chronic, extended, industrial, or community health care facilities. The average annual salary for a registered nurse is approximately \$66,220.

For more information about the program, contact Dean of Health Sciences Dr. Yvonne Johnson at 336–386–3368 or johnsony@ surry.edu. Follow the nursing program on Facebook @surrynursing.









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