



Graduate Speakers Highlight the Allendale Graduation Ceremony

THE 2016-2017 GRADUATING CLASS TOTALED 34 STUDENTS; 26 EIGHTH-GRADE GRADUATES AND 8 HIGH-SCHOOL GRADUATES

Here we are at the end of another school year...on May 23, 2017 our annual graduation ceremony was held at the Elizabeth Morse Educational Center for our 8th and 12th grade graduates. We appreciate the Fox Lake Boy Scout Troop #188 for kicking-off the festivities with "The Presentation of the Colors." This also marked a special moment in Allendale history in that this was the first graduation ceremony for our new President, Jason Keeler.

STUDENTS WERE INVITED TO SPEAK ABOUT THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS, EXPERIENCES, AND FUTURE PLANS:

Excerpt from Paige's speech: I want to let the Allendale staff know that I give them so much appreciation for keeping me safe from myself and others. When I leave the Allendale program, I'm going to move to an Independent Adult Living Group Home. From there, I'm going to college to become either an internet technician, study psychology, or become a Mental Health Specialist. I want to become a Mental Health Specialist, just like those who cared for me.

Excerpt from Preston's speech: It hasn't always been easy at Allendale. For 2 years, I walked these corridors without any friends to accompany me. During those years, I never thought I'd have the friends I've got now. I've learned it isn't about who you are or how popular you are; it's what's on the inside that counts. Things like honesty, selflessness, and courage to do the right thing.



Congratulations & Best Wishes!

To help all students reach their goals, we have excellent teachers and staff.

Many of these individuals worked long and hard out of the classroom earning additional certificates and degrees. These accomplishments along with students' successes were formally recognized at the graduation ceremony as well.

TWO GRADUATES HONORED WITH FAN BROWN AWARD AT GRADUATION

While we recognized all graduates for their tremendous achievements, Allendale's Shelter Club incoming and departing Co-Presidents presented the Fan Brown Sportsmanship and Character Award to one male and one female graduate. These students were chosen by Allendale staff for their outstanding devotion to a sport or extracurricular-activity and excellent display of character.

Samaria pushed herself to do her best during strength and conditioning workouts. Her positive attitude, work ethic, and participation contributed greatly to the PE program. She consistently gives superb effort in PE class!

Luis has participated in numerous CAAEL activities which include indoor soccer, bowling, and basketball. He consistently earns high grades in PE and shows excellent participation, superb attitude, and positive peer interactions.

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Allendale Students Excel in Sportsmanship & Championship with CAAEL Events

Allendale student's effort, sportsmanship, and teamwork were recognized in numerous programs. The junior high and high school flag football teams were both crowned division champions. In addition, the chess team, and junior high basketball teams brought division championships back to campus. High school volleyball won the division sportsmanship award, and high school basketball finished the season with only one loss. Allendale was also well represented at the CAAEL Art Fair where our students were able to display their creativity and talent. And, last but not least...in an unprecedented season long performance, the junior high indoor soccer team was awarded the division sportsmanship award and championship! A special thanks to our volunteer coaches who make all of this possible for the students we serve.

But what is CAAEL? Since 1976, the Chicago Area Alternative Education League (CAAEL) has successfully provided a full spectrum of interscholastic academic and athletic programs to over 100,000 of the Chicagoland area's most at-risk boys and girls ranging from ages 7-21. Currently, CAAEL works in partnership with over 50 alternative schools from 100+ public school districts, spanning 9 Illinois counties, including the Chicago suburbs, inner city, and several rural communities.

After another fantastic year the future for Allendale's participation in CAAEL programming looks very bright! Students, staff, and community stakeholders are excited about the accomplishments of the previous year and more to come.



PROM 2017: A HOLLYWOOD PRODUCTION -- STUDENTS ATTEND ALLENDALE PROM

Allendale's Annual Prom sponsored by the Shelter Club Women was a huge success. The event was held at the Bradley Counseling Center on May 11, 2017 from 6pm-9pm. The conference rooms were transferred to fit the theme – Hollywood: befitting for all the A-listers.

The students enjoyed dinner as well as savory desserts. The prom featured dancing, coveted raffle prizes, and props for unlimited paparazzi picture-taking. Teachers, staff, and the Development Department volunteered their time and contributed their talents to make lasting memories for the young ladies and gentlemen.

"JUST REMEMBER THAT SUCCESS IS RELATIVE. YOU DON'T HAVE TO WIN A GOLD MEDAL TO BE SUCCESSFUL. AS LONG AS YOU FEEL GOOD ABOUT YOURSELF, YOU TRY AS HARD AS YOU CAN, AND ENJOY WHAT YOU DO, THAT IS SUCCESS."
-Mia Hamm

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