

PROGRAM	
*Processional	Gene L. Klida Utica Academy for International Studies Band Shannon Shelrick, Director
*The National Anthem.....	Annika Sreedhar
Introductory Remarks	Shaun Greene-Beebe, Principal GLK-UAIS
Commencement Address.....	“Planting the Seeds of Passion and Purpose” Klaudia Brakoniecki
Valedictorian/Salutatorian Introductions.....	Shaun Greene-Beebe
Commencement Address	“Our Journey as Heroes” Blake Deason
Introduction of Superintendent of Schools.....	Shaun Greene-Beebe
Superintendent of Schools Remarks.....	Robert S. Monroe Superintendent of Schools
Board of Education Remarks.....	Denyeal Nesovski Vice President, Board of Education
Presentation of Diplomas	Utica Community Schools Board of Education Mary K. Smolenski, Ph.D. President Trustee Denyeal Nesovski Vice President Trustee Steven R. Meyer, Ph.D. Treasurer Trustee Kelli Rankin Secretary
Closing and Recessional.....	Gene L. Klida Utica Academy for International Studies Band *Audience will please stand

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VALEDICTORIANS	
Lilianna Sara Afram Zena Alnaama Christina B. Alsanjakli Miriam Jenna Barash Kayla Beauchamp Drew Scott Belisle Jacob Berishaj Shreya Gauri Bhan Meghan Ann Boring Chloe Abigail Bosi Klaudia Brakoniecki Riley Rex Brimm Jack Matthew Bullock Violet Ceno Robert Frank Crossen Jack Curtis Blake O'Neil Deason Elizabeth Emily Delbeke Christopher Guo Deutsch Jean Anne Douglas Madeline Elaine Douglas Anderson James Edgar Kelsie Lynn Fagan Trevor Patrick Fife Talessa W. George Mirabelle Carolyn Greig Martina Sophia Haranczyk Amanda Hoti Trinity Jabouri	Aaron Thomas Joseph David Varghese Joseph Joseph Anthony Juliano Drew William Kanitz Alexander Shawn Jacob Makayla Margaret Koerner Jamison Lareau Frank Michael Lulgjuraj Natalia Krystyna Malewicz Melak N. Mardo Ashley Rose Matthews Cydney Janel Mayberry Jasmina Mezini Saifan Waseem Mirza Cassandra Naliath Evelyn Terese Niksa Camryn O'Dell Nathan Osman Kyla Ann Palczewski Natalie Elizabeth Palus Zara Vijay Patel Adeline Molly Paul Claudia Perkowska Natalie Brooke Perzanowski Juliana Picar John Paul Andrew Polus Ania Popovski Brooke Callum Richards
Matthew Joseph Richmond Emerson Monroe Rietsch Anna Elizabeth Rimac Charlotte Rineer Victoria Guadalupe Rios Jillian Marie Rodzik Essa Sajjad Saeed Carmen Jean Sanjuan Gabriella Frances Santavicca Gabrielle Sesi Isabelle Sesi Noelle Nina Shakouri Nicholas Stephan Slaughter Nolan Peter Smith Annika Chandra Sreedhar Marilyn Grace Stephen Alissa Kay Sulik Olivia Mary Tessmer Gisele Gazwan Toma Ava Soria Tumampo Tomassina Silvia Lachezarova Vatev Isabella A. Weihermuller Luke Anthony White Elizabeth Grace Wieczorek Meredith Catherine Winn Charlie Kay Wisdom Sara Xhuti Isabella Marie Yacoub Rueben Vincent Macasaddug Yutuc Ava Zdravkoski	
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CLASS COLOR	Mulberry
CLASS FLOWER.....	Forget-Me-Not
CLASS SONG.....	“Unwritten” by Natsha Bedingfield
CLASS MOTTO.....	“May the flowers remind us why the rain was so necessary.” - Xan Oku
GRADUATION CLASS SPONSOR.....	Susan Fitzsimonds, Amy Jo Yeokum
COMMENCEMENT READER.....	Christopher Kuhlman

GENE L. KLIDA UTICA ACADEMY FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES FACULTY

IB DIPLOMA PROGRAM COORDINATOR	Dr. Jennifer Gebbie
CAS COORDINATOR	Justin Spear
COUNSELING	Susan Fitzsimonds, Jordan Triner
EE COORDINATOR	Amy Jo Yeokum
GROUP 1: ENGLISH LANGUAGE.....	Aliyah Carraway, Donna Fisher-Sheppard, Tim Newell, Justin Spear., Michelle Wlodarczyk, Amy Jo Yeokum
GROUP 2: WORLD LANGUAGES	Annette Burak, Ryan Joseph, Scott Scalici, Erin Sullivan
GROUP 3: INDIVIDUALS & SOCIETIES	Brian Burak, Zachariah Crossen, Andy Dobbie, Christopher Layson, Michael Zalewski
GROUP 4: EXPERIMENTAL SCIENCE	Bryan Battaglia, David Miller, Travis Multhaupt, Lisa Radjewski
GROUP 5: MATHEMATICS.....	Rachael Kasperek, Christina Hujdurovic, Tiffany McNair, Megan White-Perkins
GROUP 6: THE ARTS.....	Maureen Cusenza, Jennifer Gard-Eret, Joy Khan, Christopher Kuhlman, Shannon Sheldrick
SUPPORT STAFF	Ruth Jackowicz, Debra Russell

Graduation
The Class of 2025



Saturday, June 7, 2025
1:30 p.m.

O'rena at Oakland University
Rochester, Michigan



UTICA
COMMUNITY
SCHOOLS

2025 GRADUATION CLASS

Lillianna Sara Afram 1 3 5 6 SCL
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Gabriela Bahri 1 6 SCL
Miriam Jenna Barash 1 3 5 6 SCL
Kayla Beauchamp 1 3 5 6 SCL
Drew Scott Belisle 1 2 3 5 6 SCL
Jacob Bentley 2 4 SCL
Jacob Berishaj 1 3 6 SCL
Shreya Gauri Bhan 1 3 5 6 SCL
Meghan Ann Boring 1 3 5 6 SCL
Chloe Abigail Bosi 1 3 6 SCL
Klaudia Brakoniecki 1 2 3 5 6 SCL
Riley Rex Brimm 1 3 5 6 SCL
Jack Matthew Bullock 1 3 6 SCL
Violet Ceno 1 3 5 6 SCL
Olivia Karen Clark 1 6 SCL
Robert Frank Crossen 1 3 5 6 SCL
Jack Curtis 1 2 3 5 6 SCL
Kiva Aissatou Daniels 1 6 SCL
Blake O'Neil Deason 1 3 6 SCL
Elizabeth Emily Delbeke 1 3 6 SCL
Christopher Guo Deutsch 1 2 3 6 SCL
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Anderson James Edgar 1 3 5 6 SCL
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Hannah Lynn Gravely 1 6 SCL
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Martina Sophia Haranczyk 1 3 6 SCL
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Trinity Jabouri 1 3 5 6 SCL
Alexander Shawn Jacob 1 2 3 6 SCL
McKenzie Lee Johnson 1 6 SCL
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Juliana Picar 1 3 6 SCL
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Ania Popovski 1 3 5 6 SCL
Nicholas Craig Rawley 1 6 CL
Brooke Callum Richards 1 2 3 6 SCL
Matthew Joseph Richmond 1 3 6 SCL
Emerson Monroe Rietsch 1 3 6 SCL
Anna Elizabeth Rimac 1 2 3 6 SCL
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- 1=IB Full Diploma Candidate
- 2=UCS Advanced Placement Scholar
- 3=Valedictorian
- 4=Salutatorian
- 5=National Honor Society
- 6= Seal of Global Language Candidate

GRADUATION HONORS:	
Summa Cum Laude (SCL)	GPA 3.9 and above
Magna Cum Laude (MCL)	GPA 3.7-3.89
Cum Laude (CL)	GPA 3.5-3.69