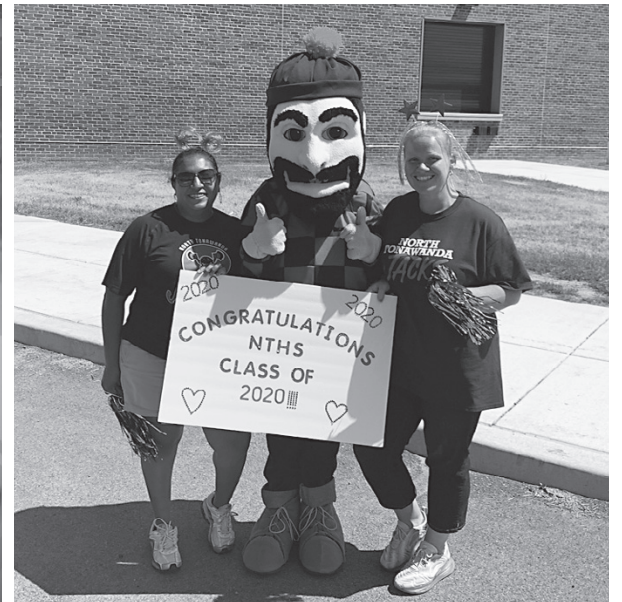


# North Tonawanda celebrates Class of 2020

Photos by Jeanette Hanson and Patrick Holesko.



On Sunday, June 28, North Tonawanda High School's Class of 2020 received their diplomas in a unique commencement ceremony, capping off a truly memorable year. Students took part in a drive-through conferral on the school grounds. Everything was decorated in school colors to enhance the celebration, complete with a balloon archway which gave the afternoon a parade-like atmosphere.

In the district's Graduation 2020 Newsletter, a message penned by Superintendent Gregory J. Woytila commended this year's graduates for overcoming the obstacles thrown at them, and urged them to use this experience as an opportunity to grow. The message reads:

"You are a class of firsts. The first to finish the year with remote instruction, the first to not have regent exams, the first to have alternate graduation plans, and the first and only class of 2020!

"We are never truly prepared for what life might throw our way. As recent graduates, you are about to start your life of unknowns. Take comfort in knowing that you can and will survive whatever life throws your way. Take time to cherish family and friends as you will lean on them in future years for moral support.

"Take pride in being a Lumberjack and being from North Tonawanda. We have all the best of wishes for you as you go out into the world to make it a better place. Remember to treat others as you would want to be treated, always pay it forward and just be kind to one another.

That is the simple recipe for success and making a happy healthy life for yourself.

"WE are proud of you and look forward to a bright future for all!

## North Tonawanda High School Class of 2020:

Jad Sami Abilmona, Doaa Salah Mahdi Abo Kefaya, Michael Naylor Ahearn III, Angelina Josephine Alessandra, Christian Scott Allan, Cassidy Lynn Allard, Elizabeth Jeanne Ambrusko, Emily Grace Anastasi,

Donald James August, Madison Lee Bainbridge, Emily Marie Barone, Noah Thomas Becker, Alexander James Berry, Ashley Victoria Beuth, Evan Matthew Bolsover, Ryan Alexander Boswell, Laykin LeAnn Brennan, Lexi Ann Brosius, Shay Lynn Brosius, Tyler Robert Brown, Daniel Dragon Burns, Ethan James Busse, Madison Ann Butynski, Joseph James Caporicci, Shian Nicole Chambers, Dylan Philip Clark, Alec Robert Codelia, Jaden Destany Coleman, Paige Madison Compton, Lindsey Nicole Conway, Marcus Alexander Conti, Jenna Leigh Cooper, Emma Marion Corbett, Selena Eleanor Couto, Brianna Rose Cox, Hannah Isabel Craig, Cameron Brackette Cutter, Jordan Proves Cutter, Herbert Allen Darrah Jr., David Jack Dashnaw, Thomas James Dee Jr., Isabel Mary Christine Deschamps, Hamei Korally Dessap, Cade Matheson Dewey, Kira Joy Dewey, Anthony Thomas DiBesco III, Lucas Paul Diermyer, Ashley Marie Dixon, Shawnn Donald Dixon Jr., Daniel Robert Driscoll, Dylan Joseph Dzielski, Natalie Elizabeth Earle-Ruffell, Johnathon Derrick Eisenhuth, Joshua Richard Elinski, Gina Simone Ellis, Bradley Keith Empson, Julianna Lynn Evans, Arianna Norleen Farley, Jamie Lela Fasser, Kirsten Kelly Ferree, Isabella Emily Finley, Lauren Gail Fisher, Madeline McKenna Fleming, Emily Elizabeth Ford, Zachary Thomas Forkey, Giovanna Lucia Fortunato, Noah Michael Fox-Stoddard, Faith Charady Frye, Kaylee June Gallant, Mya Maria Garber, Connor James Gardiner, Matthew Alexander Gardiner, Vladislav A. Gargun, McCartney Elizabeth Geartz, Macey Marie Gioeli, Ryan Thomas Glennon, Kiria Frances Gonka, Tatum Lea Gonzalez, Michael James Goodbread, Samuel Michael Greene, Elijah Kyndell Grisanti-Wake, Kacie Lynn Guerra, Mihaela Gusev, Miranda Ann Hakes, Carly Dee Hall, Erin Victoria Hall, Jayden Rylee Harris, Evan Michael Harvey, Jenna Danielle Hebel, Madison Elizabeth Heim, Hailey Hope Heiss, Samantha Rae Henhawk, Mykaela Lyn Hill, Kelsea

Morgan Hinze, Jared Richard Holler, Camerin Jacks Holmes, Matthew Quinn Holmes, Emily Rae Hooley, Jeffrey Paul Hueber Jr., Jaxon Cole Hummel, Mustafa Satar Hussein, Jeremiah James Ingraham, Kayleigh Marie Ishman, Alexis Rose Jaques, Benjamin Joseph Jenkins, Hailey Ann Joyner, Alyssa Taylor Juliano, Joshua Michael Jurewicz, Josephine Kayla Jeananne Kavanagh, Ethan Derrick Keleher, Joslynn Marie Kenworthy, Victoria Anne Kientz, Erica Susanne Kijowski, Genesis Veronica King, Unique Nyasha King, Michael David Kirkwood Jr., Nora Ann Klipfel, Samantha Lynn Koeth, Tristian Joshua Kozlowski, Jessa Lynn Krull, Robert John Kuhn, Kyra Noel Kyle, Matthew Joseph Lamm, Shannon Noelle Lang, James Edward Lee, Jaden Lugo, Ryan Patrick Lynott, Lily Mae Lyon, Jakob Brady Lyons, Sebastian Nicholas Mack, Tyler Robert MacNeil, Jamie Micheal Maerten, Peter Thomas Magee, Jenna Grace Manganella, Emilee Mae Maraschiello, Anthony Joseph Marchioli, Rachel Therese Marillo, Tammy Lynn Marillo, Isabella May Markarian, Megan Elizabeth Marra, Alexis Marie Marshall, Wilcott Charles Marshall, Jenelle Carol Martin, Matthew Joseph Martin, Yuridia Martinez, Elena Maria May, Samantha Rose Sofia McCarthy, Gregory Hartford McDole, Garrett Daniel McDonald, Aiden Kyle McManus, Liam Abraham McMurray, Mitchell James McNamee, Michael Scott McTiernan, Ethan Craig Melenthine, Nicholas Victor Messana, Wayne Allen Mielcarek Jr., Anthony Joseph Miskines, Madison Janet Moll, Anthony-Louis Salvatore Montante, Michael Moore III, Meadow Rae Moran, Olivia Gabrielle Moran, Devin Jacob Moretto, Dante Marcellis Moultrie, Emily Anne Mueller, Julie Ann Myers, Kyle Adam Nickerson, Brooke Kathleen Normandin, Mason Michael Novosat, Kaia Pauline O'Rourke, Julia Lynn Oddo, Timothy Scott Osborn, Christopher Scott Ostrander, Fawn Autumn Ott, Delayne Elizabeth Pace, David Richard Palmer, Sierra Jean Palmer, Dominic Jeffrey Parsons, Chloe Corrinne Pat-

erson, Jason Turner Payne, Ryan Anthony Plumer, Brooke Elizabeth Price, Aaron James Priore, Cameron Douglas Pytlak, Aracely Nancy Queen, Kieran Aidan Redman, Michael Robert Rees, Sebastian Jay Reid, Benjamin Lloyd Reimer, Krystly Marie Reimer, Shane Thomas Riley, David George Rinehart, Taylor Alexis Ringler, Casey Frank Rogers, Cody Tyler Williams Rongo, Trinity Chieyanne Rood, Michael Charles Rotolo, Brianna Rose Routhier, Joshua Paul Roy, Daniel David Ruehl, Samuel Joseph Runfola, Melissa Brandie Runge, Emily Rose Russell, Katrina Marie Russell, Zachary Matthew Russell, William Patrick Sabol, Viktoriya Sakharchuk, Nicole Anna Marie Santa Lucia, Victoria Rose Sasso, Shelby Joy Sayeta, Shawn Tyler Schaefer, Alyssa Marie Schiavone, Justin Patrick Schmadel, Tessa Angeline Schmidt, Tyler Anthony Schmitt, McKenzie Patricia Schnurr, Lillian Alexandria Schultz, William James Schwab, Elizabeth Angel Scott, Lillian Meredith Scott, Cody Nicholas Scruggs, Nicholas James Scutt, Emily Rose Seymour, Brianna Renee Sheeler, Hailey Anne Sledziewski, Kristi Marie Smith, Kaleigh Ann Smolen, Zachary Thomas Smolen, Alyssa Marie Snowman, Sebastian Aubrey Sof-

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