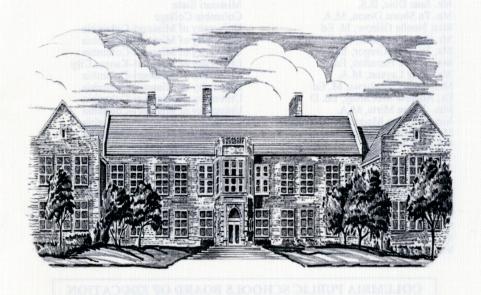
# The One Hundred Twenty-Third Commencement Exercise

David H. Hickman High School Columbia, Missouri



Saturday, May Twenty-fifth
Two Thousand Nineteen
6:00 p.m.
Mizzou Arena

### ACADEMIC REGALIA

The traditional caps and gowns worn by students and faculty in the academic procession have been the historic costume of scholars since medieval times. Because many scholars of that period were members of monastic orders, the academic costume resembles ecclesiastical dress.

A uniform code for academic costumes was drafted by an intercollegiate commission in 1893 and has since been adopted by the majority of colleges and universities in the United States. Each of the four academic degrees - bachelor, master, specialist, and doctorate - has its own distinctive gown and hood. The gown representing the bachelor's degree is distinguished by its long, pointed sleeve. The master's gown has a longer, narrow, closed, pointed sleeve extending below the knee; the arm is passed through a slit at the elbow. In contrast, the doctor's gown has a full, bell-shaped sleeve with three bars of velvet. The opening of this gown is faced with wide velvet bands which may be black or of a color indicating the general field of learning of the wearer, for example, dark blue for philosophy, light blue for education, orange for English.

The most colorful and distinctive item of the academic costume is the hood, which passes around the neck and extends down the back. The colors of the silk lining exposed in the center

of the hood are those of the college or university which conferred the degree.

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Kewpie Cheer	Student Government Officers & the Kewpies
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Savannah Lynn Armistead Matthew Dean Barnes Isaac Alexander Bledsoe Keatin Lyne Butler Jack Percy Davis Rachel Melissa Edidin Nathan Oliver Elmore Joan Marie Fieser

Leila Sophia Gassmann
Sarah Ellen Holmes
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Benjamin David Lewandowski
Aubrielle Morgan Maginness
Mackena Ashley Mehrhoff

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Carolyn Berniece Calvert
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Naomi Rae Davis
Coulton Thomas Doyle

Ariana Jocelyn Figliolo
Christopher Clark Gadsden
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Kaitlyn Brianne Hartnagel
Desmond Leroy Hearne Morrey
Michael William Kardon
Riley William Keevins
Culley Russell Kirkpatrick
Ian Morgan Alexander Maun
Abbey Lynette McCullough
Wyatt Gray Moore
Madison Joplin Nieuwenhuizen
Justin Daniel Perkinson

Gabriel Michael Price
Taylor Nicole Ray
Connor Nelson Richardson
Mackenzie Nicole Richmond
Anna Rose Roberts
Mason Kimbel Rohr
Kylee Jo Roush
Caden Thomas Albright Smith
Noah John Stoker
Sebastian Julio Velazquez
Sarah Elizabeth Vogt
Seanna Rose Daud Vrana
Andrew Thomas Wyatt
Willa Jewell Zwingle

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<sup>\*</sup>Denotes membership in National Honor Society

## HICKMAN HIGH SCHOOL'S 91st GRADUATING CLASS 123 YEARS OF HIGH SCHOOL

High school in Columbia began in the 1880s, and by 1889, Columbia established a two-year high school at 713 Rogers Street, the current site of Jefferson Junior High School. The course of study was adjusted to three years in 1895, and to four years in 1896. Extracurricular activities naturally evolved. A literary society was formed in 1898, and a choral union, orchestra, and debate team were established in 1899. Sports teams were already present, although the district did not provide paid coaches.

Soon overcrowding at Columbia High School became a concern. In 1909, the community approved the demolition of the old school at Ninth and Rogers and the building of a new high school on that site. The new structure held the district's first gymnasium and a physical education credit was added to graduation requirements. A coach was employed to work with athletic teams and an art/music teacher was hired, providing the first elective courses. The first edition of the yearbook, the *Cresset*, was published in 1912. Commercial studies, teacher training, home economics, and mechanical drawing courses were added to the curriculum in 1913.

World War I brought changes to Columbia High School: the German Club was removed from the list of extracurricular activities in 1915 and a Current Events Club was established in 1918. In 1917, students over 14 years of age were excused

from attending school to be farm workers as part of the war effort.

Following World War I, Columbia continued to grow. In 1925, the community decided to build a new high school on the David H. Hickman estate. Construction soon began, and Hickman High School opened in 1927. At the time, some complained that the school was located too far out in the countryside! Students in the high school manual trades program built some of the furniture used to furnish the new school. In 1927, the first Hickman graduates began a grand tradition of excellence in academics, the arts, athletics, and service to the community.

The 1930s brought the Depression to Columbia, and the school district felt the

economic pinch. For the first time, the district operated with a deficit; however, the high school building was expanded, thanks to low interest loans and the Works Progress Administration. While the district's special education program was eliminated, Hickman's first counselor was hired. On-the-job training and employment for credit were added to the curriculum, and Hickman's verse speaking choir performed throughout the state. Kewpie wrestlers garnered three state championships during this decade. In 1938, Hickman's marching band first performed, and the Student Council financed purchase of the band's first uniforms in the early 1940s. Hickman's first operetta, 1944's *Tune In*, began an annual tradition that continued for many years.

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During World War II, curricular changes reflected the times; courses in international relations, aeronautics, and home nursing were added. Hickman participated in a fund-raising drive for the war effort and collected salvage items. Driver's education was offered for the first time in 1948, and the tradition of requiring sophomores to wear beanies was restored. Many Hickman graduates served in the armed

forces, some giving their lives in service to their country.

The end of segregation in the school system occurred in the late 1950s. Hickman's faculty voted in 1952 to adopt competitive letter grading (E,S,M,I,F) in place of the previous Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grading system. Continued expansion of facilities resulted in new construction. High school special education and adult classes were initiated in 1955. Vocational classrooms, laboratories, and the swimming pool were built in 1956, doubling Hickman's classroom space. During this decade, many graduates served in the Korean Conflict.

In 1960, Hickman established an honors program to add academic rigor. The green and white sophomore beanies were worn for the last time in 1961. David Wheeler was named Hickman's first Presidential Scholar in 1964, the inaugural year of the national recognition program where two outstanding high school graduates per state per year are recognized for stellar academic achievement. The Kewpies finally beat the Jefferson City Jays in football in 1966, the same year William "Bill" Galeota became a Presidential Scholar, followed in 1967 by Robert "Corky" Cartwright. Four state athletic championships in three different sports proved Hickman an intimidating opponent during the 1960s. Again, Hickman graduates were in service to their country during the Vietnam conflict.

The 1970s brought district growth and expanded opportunities for Hickman

girls, including the election of Hickman's first female Student Government President and another Presidential Scholar in 1972, Susan Wakerlin (Durkin). By the mid-1970s, Hickman offered competitive women's teams in tennis, basketball, golf, swimming, track, and volleyball. A growing music program produced a number of outstanding performers. Overcrowding, seemingly a constant issue in Columbia's schools, became a concern; in 1973 a second high school, Rock Bridge, opened and the Bruins, along with the Jefferson City Jays, became Hickman's greatest rivals.

National becognition came to Hickman in the 1980s, as Hickman was chosen to receive the Excellence in Education (Blue Ribbon) Award in 1984-85. President Ronald Reagan visited Hickman in 1987. Additional athletic and fine arts recognitions were earned by Hickman students, and four additional Presidential Scholars were selected, Melissa Parisi (Onzay) in 1983, Eleanor Kaufman in 1985 and in 1988, both of Missouri's scholars were Kewpies, Scott Murphy and Becca Dilling-

ham (Learmouth)

In the 1990s, Hickman was again nationally recognized as a Blue Ribbon school in the 1994-96 competition, and four additional Presidential Scholars were named, David Kung in 1990, John Wright Riddick in 1994, Travis Pittman in 1996, and Anne Roller (Rucker) in 1997. Curriculum took new directions, including interdisciplinary classes, portfolio grading, and infusion of technology. Computer labs were developed and opportunities for true-to-life experiences were expanded, including the nationally recognized Columbia Aeronautics Space Association (CASA) program. The strong, diverse athletic tradition continued. Within this decade, Hickman won six state championships in baseball, women's swimming, men's track, men's cross country, and men's tennis. Fine arts and music programs produced many state award winners.

The tradition of excellence in academics, athletics, and the arts continues into the new millennium. Again, Presidential Scholars were announced, Kate Swearengen in 2000, Saritha Komatireddy in 2001, Ben Robinson in 2002, Doris Lin in 2003, Jessica Hwang in 2009, and in 2011 HHS produced an eighteenth Presidential Scholar, Eric Young. To date Hickman High School has twice the number of Presidential Scholars as any high school in the state. The second decade of the 21<sup>st</sup> century at Hickman High School has focused on upholding and building upon our valued traditions as an educational institution and as a pillar of the Columbia community.

The new millennium also brought along with it a period of growth and expansion for Columbia, and subsequently Hickman High School. A new commons and classroom addition opened fall 2003, along with extensive renovations throughout the building in 2004, and again in 2008. Hickman celebrated the opening of a long-awaited second gym in December of 2012 with a winning game against Rock Bridge. Vocational classrooms, including a restaurant-sized kitchen, and a renovation of the football stadium were ready for the start of school in fall of 2013. These additional classrooms provided several vocational classes not requiring busing to the Career Center. Construction on new tennis courts, installation of artificial turf on the baseball field, and building of a new wrestling room, baseball concession stand and batting cages all occurred during the 2013-14 school year. Ninth graders were welcomed at the high school level for the very first time during the 13-14 school year along with block scheduling. Many capital improvements were inaugurated in 2014-15: tennis courts, indoor sport facility including a batting cage and space for wrestling, and softball/baseball turf were all in place. The upgrade to these facilities allowed the men's and women's tennis teams as well as the women's softball team the ability to compete at Hickman for the first time in many years. Additionally, a new buzzer system was installed, providing an added level of security to the school community.

College and career readiness has been a foundational building block for Hickman in the 2010s. With continued changes to state accountability measures placed on Missouri public schools, Hickman has remained steadfast in its efforts to provide excellent opportunities for students regardless of legislative changes. Curricular and programmatic changes have provided increased opportunities for students to access advanced placement courses through partnerships with College Board and Equal Opportunities Schools, provided greater access to career and technical education courses through the expansion of on-site career center courses, and has allowed students to engage in programs such as AVID and MAC Scholars—key components of

Hickman's college readiness system.

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In the last decade, continual improvement and an increased focus on the school's vision of being a highly effective professional learning community have served as

cornerstones for Hickman. In 2012, Hickman established a distributed leadership model in the form school-wide teacher leadership teams—Leadership Council, Student Support Team, the Learning and Instruction Team, and the Interdisciplinary Team. Additionally, the T.I.D.E Team was developed to aid in the continued enhancement of school culture. The name "TIDE" is an acronym derived from the four pillars of Hickman's mission: Tradition, Integrity, Diversity, and Excellence. Hickman also developed a multi-faceted student support model during this decade. The model included the implementation of freshman advisory and sophomore seminar courses, a tiered model for student response to intervention, and a review of the school's philosophy on grading and mark reporting. In 2016, Hickman was recognized for its outstanding work in the aforementioned areas when the school was named an Exemplary Professional Learning School by the Department of Secondary and Elementary Education in 2016.

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In recent years there has been a focus centered around Traditions Lobby including a Wall of Remembrance honoring the eighty Kewpies who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our nation and repurposing the display cases to recognize end of the year scholarships and award plaques distributed on Senior Awards Night. New display cases were hung to exhibit past Hickman memorabil. ia. The Hickman Kewpie statue and Presidential Scholars plaques were moved to this lobby in addition to a graduation display case which includes the mace carried during graduation ceremonies. Several new areas have been added for student seating throughout the building including in the counseling lobby, upstairs in an alcove near Room 225, and atrium bar-height seating located on the second floor overlooking the pond. A focus has also been to create spaces for faculty and staff to work while on conference or shared planning periods. A professional development library was created inside of the faculty workroom in addition to landscaping that was installed in the Faculty Courtyard. The pond was cleaned out and new fish occupy the space in addition to planting 11 new rosebud and dogwood trees. In the Fall of 2017 Hickman dedicated the Coach Arnel "Sparky" Monroe Memorial Pavilion as a tribute to the former football coach. During the summer of 2018 a labyrinth was installed on the east side of the building to remember and honor Janna Fick, long time AP Psychology teacher at HHS. In the 2018-19 academic school year, the Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA) created several landscape enhancement projects outside of the building. PTSA also coordinated with ForColumbia on April 27 to spread mulch around the trees located throughout the property, painted the connecting breezeway between the two gymnasiums, resinted banderile and biotele rocks against the valley trees care outside the painted handrails and bicycle racks, painted the yellow trash cans outside the building and added a Kewpie logo, organized and built new shelving units in the shared athletic storage room, and created a Wall of Fame for the football team.

Hickman's most recent graduating classes were comprised of outstanding groups of students with Presidential Scholar nominees, Missouri Scholars 100 honorees, and scores of students recognized as National Merit Scholars. Additionally, on the field of athletic competition, members of the graduating classes of the "20-teens" earned numerous district and sectional victories as well as several state qualifications. During the subsequent years that followed their graduation dates, a remarkable parade of talented Hickman students have translated their hopes and dreams into achievements that should inspire the current graduating class of Kewpies. The challenges that face today's graduates are varied. Opportunities to be of service to self, family, country, and community abound. Wherever they go and whatever achievements they may claim, each graduate will carry memories of their days at Hickman High School.

## HICKMAN PRINCIPALS THROUGH THE YEARS

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David Henry Hickman was a businessman, educator, and legislator from Columbia, Missouri, United States. He was a member of the Missouri State Assembly from 1838 to 1842 and helped compose legislation requiring the state to support public 'common schools' with at least twenty-five percent of the state's revenue. He was also instrumental in the founding and development of Stephens College and served as a curator of the University of Missouri. David H. Hickman High School was built on his country estate in 1927 and named after him.

On Dec. 15, 1925, residents approved 7-1 a bond issue of \$415,000 for construction of a school building on the site and some other school improvements. On Dec. 17, 1925, the school board approved a resolution by Sanford Conley suggesting the school be named "David H. Hickman High School." The cornerstone for Hickman High School was placed in a brief ceremony Sept. 16,

1926, and the building was opened for classes a year later.

When the new high school's name became known, two respected residents approved of its namesake and described Hickman in their letters of endorsement. From Edwin Stephens, president of Stephens Publishing Co.: "David H. Hickman was one of the greatest citizens and finest characters Boone County has ever had. He was a model citizen, a true Christian, a patriot, a leader in educational and civic affairs. The board of education appropriately honors his memory in naming in his honor the building, which is to stand upon the site of the home he owned and where he passed away with honors. And to the regret of the community which he so unselfishly and so ably served and when he had scarcely reached the prime of life."

From Judge David Harris of Boone County Circuit Court: "He was a gentleman in manner, a Christian in spirit and a natural leader by the soundness of his judgment, the force of his character and the disinterestedness of his motives.....measured by the years, his life was a short one. Yet, I can think of no former citizen of Columbia whose life was richer, fuller or more worthy of emulation by the youth of Columbia, who in the years to come may receive

instruction in the schools of your city."

Hickman High School empowers students to achieve academic excellence, to develop personal integrity and responsibility, to value diversity, and to be continuous learners capable of contributing to a changing society."

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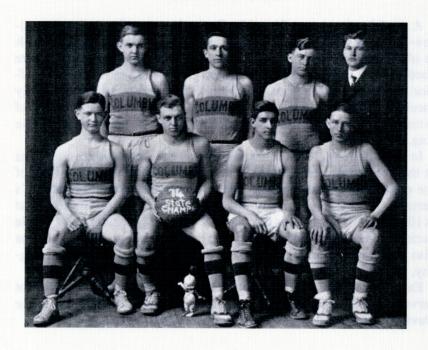
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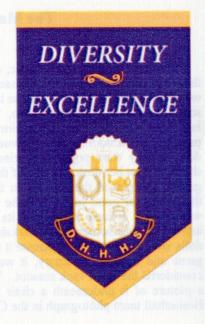
## The Mascot - 1914

The school mascot, the Kewpie, appeared for the first time in the 1914 Cresset associated with the basketball team "...whose loyalty to the school and to the Kewpie motto, 'Keep Smiling,' had won the State Championship." Apparently, the school secretary owned a Kewpie doll, as they were popular figurines then, and she kept it on her desk. At one of the basketball games, she placed the Kewpie in the center of the court (for good luck), and the entire game was played around it without its being broken. This was somewhat remarkable since the dolls were very fragile. Because it survived the game and brought a victory, it was thereafter considered the good luck mascot. You can see a picture of it underneath a chair in the 1914 Basketball team photograph in the Cresset.









# The Gonfalon

A gonfalon is a type of heraldic flag or banner, often pointed, swallow-tailed, or with several streamers, and suspended from a crossbar. It is of Italian origin and dates back to medieval times when they were used in state and religious ceremonial processions as symbols of office; the name derives from "gonfaloni", the name given to community meetings in Florence. Each neighborhood had its own flag and coat of arms and the word gonfalon eventually came to be associated with the flag.

In modern times, schools adopted the practice of carrying gonfalons at their commencement exercises to heighten the ceremonial nature of the exercises and add pageantry to the event. Hickman High School's ceremony will feature two gonfalons. They reflect a timeless style that is Hickman. Each displays the school's colors through the royal purple background and gold trim and include the school crest. The gonfalons also represent the core values of Hickman's mission: Tradition, Integrity, Diversity, and Excellence.

Each year the student government class president and vice-president serve as gonfalonieres as they lead the class in the procession at the David H. Hickman High School Commencement Ceremony.



# **Ceremonial Academic Mace**

The David H. Hickman High School Ceremonial Academic Mace is an ancient symbol of authority; it reminds us that schools are custodians of the enduring traditions of learning. The mace is carried by a faculty member who is called the Macebearer.

Ceremonial academic maces appeared in European universities during the fourteenth century and represented the amalgamation of two much older staff-like devices of similar length and shape. These were the regal scepter and the medieval battle mace. Kings throughout history have carried scepters as insignia of the lawful authority of just rulers. The battle mace was first used by medieval princes as an effective hand weapon in combat.

In the fourteenth century, the royal scepter and the battle mace were combined to produce the ceremonial mace. It was carried before royalty,

mayors of cities, and chief officers of the universities.

In modern times, the mace is used on ceremonial occasions in the life of schools. In commencement exercises, the mace specifically indicates the authority of the school to award degrees. Today, our mace is carried before

the superintendent, principal, and platform dignitaries.

The mace and its holder were designed, and created in 2015 by noted local woodworker, Andy Werth of Stickman Woodworks. The Hickman High School mace is fashioned in locally sourced Missouri Walnut which signifies Hickman's strength and traditional role in the community. The top of the mace is a reproduction of the cresset found at the top of our school crest. This reminds our school community of our call to be bearers of light and truth. The casting set in the globe is the official school crest. Below the medallion are four rings that represent the core values found in our mission statement: tradition, integrity, diversity, and excellence. The mace is 45" long and weighs 10 pounds. The festive ribbons streaming from the globe are the colors of Hickman. Purple is symbolic of royal majesty, sovereignty, and justice and is indicative of the highest ideals and aims. Gold is symbolic of integrity, honesty, generosity, and the elevation of the mind.

Faculty, students, and the community have always looked to academic ceremonies as the highlight of the academic year. The addition of the mace adds meaning and dignity to the commencement ritual. It reminds both participants and spectators that education is one of the most cherished attributes of a free and democratic society.



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