



One Hundred Forty-Fifth  
Commencement Exercises  
POUGHKEEPSIE HIGH SCHOOL  
Friday, the Twenty-Third of June, 2017

Pomp and Circumstance..... Poughkeepsie High School Combined Orchestra and Bands  
The National Anthem.....Bryceon Cook-Evans Tillery  
Presentation of Colors by Poughkeepsie High School AFJROTC  
Principal's Welcome.....Mrs. Phee Simpson  
Board President's Welcome Address..... Mr. Ralph S. Coates  
Superintendent's Welcome Address.....Dr. Nicolé L. Williams  
Presentation of Honor Graduates..... Mrs. Jessica Lovinsky  
"I Lived" by One Republic ..... Poughkeepsie High School Chorus featuring the seniors  
Directed by Joe North  
Salutatory Address ..... Dorothy Belton  
Valedictory Address ..... Christopher Cassidy  
Presentation of '17 Class Gift.....Mrs. Diane Moore, & Sr.Class Advisor & Kerry Ann Watson, Sr. Class  
Representative  
Introduction of Keynote Speaker ..... Mrs. Jessica Lovinsky  
Keynote Address .....Mr. Michael Murphy  
Presentation of the Class ..... Dr. Nicolé L. Williams, Mr. Ralph S. Coates, and Mrs. Phee Simpson  
Acceptance of the Class ..... Dr. Nicolé L. Williams, Superintendent  
Presentation of Diplomas.....Dr. Nicolé L. Williams, Mr. Ralph S. Coates  
Mrs. Jessica Lovinsky and Ms. Takiyah Ingram  
Recessional..... Poughkeepsie High School Combined Orchestra and Bands

(Please remain standing until the graduates have finished the recessional.)

**Michael Murphy – Keynote Speaker**

Michael Murphy is the executive director and co-founder of MASS Design Group, an architecture and design collaborative with offices in Boston and Kigali, Rwanda. As a designer, writer and teacher his work investigates the social and political consequences of the built world. Mr. Murphy focuses on how environments shape behavior, and his research and writing advocate for a new empowerment in architecture that calls on architects to consider the ethical nature of their design decisions while simultaneously searching for beauty and meaning. Mr. Murphy has taught at Columbia's Graduate School of Preservation and Planning, Wentworth Institute of Technology, The Boston Architectural College, and the Harvard Graduate School of Design. His theoretical and historical essays on architecture have been widely published and MASS's work has been featured in the New York Times, Times Magazine, Fast Company, The Atlantic, Wired, Mark Magazine, Metropolis, Architectural Record, Detail, and many others. MASS was the recipient of the Zumbobel Group Prize, shortlisted for the Aga Khan award for Architecture, and a finalist for the TED Prize and the Buckminster Fuller Prize. Mr. Murphy recently gave a TED talk at the 2016 Annual TED Conference. Michael is a graduate of Poughkeepsie High School and earned a Master of Architecture from the Harvard Graduate School of Design and a BA in English Literature from the University of Chicago.

# SENIOR AWARDS 2017

## SERVICE AWARDS

### **The Longevity Award**

Ariel Del Castillo  
Cornelio Castellanos-Aquino  
Travis Harvest  
Imani Johnson  
David Kuhhorn  
Treon Mincey  
Jahneil Stone  
Kevin Wakeman

### **The Renee Hargrave/Kiwanis Community**

Carisma Collins

### **The Brother 2 Brother Scholarship**

Brian Creary  
Kevaughn Hayle  
Treyvon Whitaker

### **The Sister 2 Sister Scholarship**

Imani Davis  
Da'Jha Kenton  
I-Asia Nelson

### **The SWAG Scholarship**

Na'Chelle Griffin  
Gabriella Phillip  
Julian Shaw  
Kerry-Ann Watson  
Kayla West

### **The American Red Cross Scholarship**

Dorothy Belton

### **The Principal's Leadership Award**

Isabella Stumbo

### **Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated/Mid-Hudson Ivy Foundation Book Award**

Carisma Collins

### **The Poughkeepsie Arlington Rotary Club Scholarship**

Emma-Zhi Collen  
Daquez Green

### **P.H.S. Administrator Award**

Dorothy Belton

### **The Miriam Brown Memorial Scholarship**

Hamidou Bah

## ENGLISH AWARDS

### **The Shequila Brown Memorial Award**

Shakari Bigelow  
Isabella Stumbo

### **The Lorraine Rothbard Gleckman Memorial Award**

Christopher Cassidy

## FOREIGN LANGUAGE AWARD

### **The French 2 Award**

Izel Seay

## PPSTA AWARDS

### **The Poughkeepsie High School Class of 1966 Scholarship**

Brian Panzer  
Kitana Zachary

### **The Charlotte Stearns Scholarship**

Daniella Duncumbe

### **The PPSTA Scholarship Award**

Christopher Cassidy  
Daquez Green  
Shelisha Melton  
Deneka Reid  
Julian Shaw  
Neliekah Wallace

### **The POMCO Scholarship**

Emma-Zhi Collen

### **The Mackey Butts & Wise Scholarship**

Carisma Collins

## MATHEMATICS AWARDS

### **The Herman T. Siegel Award**

Rajna Ruparella

### **The Steve A. Campbell Award**

Dorothy Belton  
Christopher Cassidy  
Emma-Zhi Collen  
Anemarie Diaz-Lopez

### **The James Areno Mathematics Award**

Hamidou Bah

### **The Thomas Giamettei Award**

Christopher Cassidy

### **The Cheryl McNulty Mathematics Department Chairperson Award**

Megan Reyes

## SOCIAL STUDIES AWARDS

### **The Louis Rothbard Memorial Award**

Christopher Cassidy

### **The Carrie Chapman Carr Award**

Brianna Estrada

### **The Overall Excellence in the area of Social Studies for 4 years at P.H.S. Award**

Jade Isaacs

### **The New York State Minorities in Criminal Justice Award**

Carisma Collins

### **The Pioneer Post Award**

Christopher Cassidy

## FINE ARTS AWARDS

### Art Division

### **The Joseph Elone Memorial Award**

Kennesha Britt

## ATHLETIC AWARDS

### **The Coaches Award**

Kevaughn Hayle  
Alyssa Spencer

### **The Scholastic Grade Point Average Award**

Christopher Cassidy  
Dorothy Belton

### **The US Army Scholar Athlete Award**

Daquez Green  
Imani Johnson

### **The US Marine Corp Distinguished Athlete Award**

Nyja Harris  
Nicholas Hanson

### **The Robert W. Stauderman Athletic Award**

Ariel Del Castillo  
Shakari Bigelow  
Eduardo Rubio-Lopez

### **The Dave Gould Award**

Christopher Cassidy

### **The Poughkeepsie Crew Award**

Eden Ciferri

### **The Michael Dehart Memorial Award**

Trevon Reid

### **The Rebecca Dowski Memorial Award**

Carisma Collins

### **The Michael Fitzgibbons Memorial Award**

Brian Panzer

### **The Charles Van Norstrand Award**

Mo'Quez Dickens

### **The Police Athletic League Award**

Corey Simmons  
Kayla West

### **The PAL Award w/Monetary Gift**

Corey Simmons

### **The Ross Memorial Award**

Adrianna Powers

### **The Natia Gorgen Award**

Eden Ciferri

### **The Athletic Directors Award**

Trevor Tatunczak  
Treyvon Whitaker  
Allysia Yanez  
Jesus Fabian-Peralta

### **The Section 9 Scholar Athlete of The Year Award**

Corey Simmons  
Kayla West

### **The AYF Awards (formerly POP Warner)**

Iam Anderson  
Mo'Quez Dickens  
Treyvon Whitaker

### **The MHAL Awards For Baseball**

Mo'Quez Dickens  
Corey Simmons

### **The All County Awards For Baseball**

Corey Simmons

# SENIOR AWARDS 2017

## SCIENCE AWARDS

### **The Academic Excellence in Science Award**

Hamidou Bah  
Dorothy Belton  
Brianna Estrada

### **The Scholarship for Academic Excellence Award**

Hamidou Bah  
Dorothy Belton  
Christopher Cassidy  
Emma-Zhi Collen  
Megan Reyes  
Roberto Ricketts  
Allysia Yanez

### **The Lida Stewart Memorial Award**

Trevor Tatunczak

### **The Richard W. Mitchell Scholarship Fund**

Emma-Zhi Collen  
Carisma Collen  
Shanoya Russell

## ACADEMIC AWARDS

### **The Memory Lane Award**

Kyrone Brown

### **The 2017 Hudson Valley Latino High School Scholarship Award**

Brianna Estrada

### **The William (Bill) E. Muse Scholarship**

Carisma Collins  
Shanoya Russell

### **The Board of Education Scholarship**

Dorothy Belton  
Christopher Cassidy  
Carisma Collins  
Julian Shaw

### **Mid-Hudson Valley National Pan-Hellenic Council (MHV-NPHC) Scholarship**

Shanoya Russell

### **The TEG Federal Credit Union Scholarship**

Christopher Cassidy

### **The Beyond The Dream Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc. Scholarship**

Shakari Bigelow  
Daquez Green  
Kevaughn Hayle  
Treyvon Whitaker  
Keyshon Williams

## COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF DUTCHESS COUNTY AWARDS

### **The Marshall R. Effron Fund**

Kerry-Ann Watson

### **The John F. DeGilio Science Scholarship**

Adrianna Powers

### **The Pawith Educators Scholarship**

Destiny James

### **The David Jagaciewski Scholarship**

Rajna Ruparelia

### **The Michael P. Murphy Public Service Scholarship Fund**

Christopher Cassidy

### **The Steven and Linda Lant Family Scholarship Fund**

Emma-Zhi Collen

### **The Joseph H. and Mildred C. McManus Scholarship Fund**

Destiny James

### **The Marjorie A. Rifenburg Scholarship**

Adrianna Powers

### **The John J. Csizmar Memorial Scholarship**

Daquez Green  
Keisha Mincey

### **The Poughkeepsie High School Class of 1958 Scholarship**

Daquez Green  
Destiny James

### **I. ANN DAVIDSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Quadalupe Olmedo-Arroyo

### **POUGHKEEPSIE EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP**

Neliekah Wallace



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## **Board of Education**

Ralph S. Coates, President  
Randall Johnson, Vice President  
Gregory S. Charter  
Raymond K. Duncan  
Dr. Felicia Watson

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## **Superintendent of Schools**

Dr. Nicolé L. Williams

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## **Central Administration**

### **Deputy Superintendent for Operations**

Dr. Ronel E. Cook

### **Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction, and Grants Management**

Tracy Farrell

### **Assistant Superintendent of School Improvement – Elementary Schools**

Mr. Mario Fernandez

### **Assistant Superintendent for Family and Student Support Services**

Dr. Steven Rappleyea

### **Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations**

Mr. Joseph Jimick

### **Director of Data Analysis and Accountability**

Dr. Elizabeth Ten Dyke

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## **Poughkeepsie High School**

### **Executive Principal**

Phee Simpson

### **E-TECH Principal**

Dan Wilson

### **Assistant Principals**

Owen Kelso

Jessica Lovinsky

Keisha Tillman

### **Dean of Students**

Jay'Quan Floyd

Ronald Jackson

### **Guidance Counselors**

Rachel Birsner, Louis Gibson,  
Takiyah Ingram, Lilly Pavlo

### **At-Risk Counselor**

Anna Wilson

### **Senior Class Advisor of the Class of 2017**

Diane Moore

# GRADUATES 2017

<b>Imani C. Johnson</b>	<b>Keisha Mincey</b>	<b>Roberto W. Ricketts</b>	<b>Marlon Stewart</b>
<b>Junior Johnson</b>	<b>Giovanni Mitchelle</b>	<b>Christopher Riley</b>	<b>Isabella Stumbo</b>
<b>Sonovan V. Johnson</b>	<b>Emilia Morales</b>	<b>Viviana Rivera</b>	<b>Ioannis Takos</b>
<b>Oneil Jones</b>	<b>Brianna Morgan</b>	<b>Brenda Robles Frias</b>	<b>Trevor Tatunczak</b>
<b>Gladys Juarez</b>	<b>Dionnia Morgan</b>	<b>Kevin Rogers</b>	<b>Keiara Taylor</b>
<b>Jordan Kanyike</b>	<b>Dominique Moss</b>	<b>Jonathan Rojas-Lopez</b>	<b>Ivyanna Thomas</b>
<b>Tina Kanyike</b>	<b>Brian Moulden</b>	<b>Shadé Routier</b>	<b>Maurice Thomas</b>
<b>D'Anthony Keith</b>	<b>F'Asia Nelson</b>	<b>Eduardo Rubio-Lopez</b>	<b>Nadra G. Thomas</b>
<b>Ricardo Kelly</b>	<b>Taylor K. Nevins</b>	<b>Danixa Ruiz</b>	<b>William Tohom</b>
<b>Michael Kenney</b>	<b>Thu Nguyen</b>	<b>Rajna L. Ruparelia</b>	<b>Zuleidy M. Tovar</b>
<b>Da'jha Kenton</b>	<b>Kwame Odom</b>	<b>Shanoya K. Russell</b>	<b>Briana Tuballa</b>
<b>Taija King</b>	<b>Guadalupe Olmedo-Arroyo</b>	<b>Enrique Sanchez-Celaya</b>	<b>Kyle-Anthony Turner</b>
<b>David R. Kuhorn</b>	<b>Nancy Olmedo-Chavez</b>	<b>Esteban Sanchez-Diaz</b>	<b>Fredy Valencia Hernandez</b>
<b>Da-Najha Lamont</b>	<b>Maria Isabel E. Ortiz</b>	<b>Luz Daniela Santos</b>	<b>Kevin Wakeman</b>
<b>Corina Latimer</b>	<b>Brian Panzer</b>	<b>Anahy Santos-Valdez</b>	<b>Christopher Walker</b>
<b>Chelsea-Ann Lee</b>	<b>Jalisa Patterson</b>	<b>Demeris Scott</b>	<b>Neliekah Y. Wallace</b>
<b>Kamryn E. Lee</b>	<b>John Pendleton</b>	<b>Izel M. Seay</b>	<b>Kiara A. Ward</b>
<b>Tyler Lee</b>	<b>Ajashea Perez</b>	<b>Julian Shaw</b>	<b>Paul Ward</b>
<b>Shemar Levy</b>	<b>David Pettway</b>	<b>Crystal Silva-Orrante</b>	<b>Kerry-Ann Watson</b>
<b>Maria A. Lodge</b>	<b>Gabriella Phillip</b>	<b>Corey Simmons</b>	<b>Victor D. Webley II</b>
<b>Francisco Lopez-Reyes</b>	<b>Skyler Pickett</b>	<b>Jazmine Simons</b>	<b>Kayla West</b>
<b>Natalie Marroquin</b>	<b>Daniel Pinzon</b>	<b>Brandon L. Smack</b>	<b>Josiah E. West-Green</b>
<b>Alejandro Martinez</b>	<b>Adrianna Powers</b>	<b>Dwayne Smith</b>	<b>Tyler Anthony Weston</b>
<b>Jennifer Martinez-Hernandez</b>	<b>Nelson Pryor</b>	<b>Jamie Smith</b>	<b>Treyvon Whitaker</b>
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<b>Amanda L. Mendez</b>	<b>Trevon Reid</b>	<b>Kyi-Tyshea Smith-Drumgold</b>	<b>Tianna Wright</b>
<b>Britney C. Mendez</b>	<b>Alejandro Reyes</b>	<b>Mazia Soares</b>	<b>Allysia M. Yanez</b>
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Michelle Galindo

Arturo Garcia

Helodia Garcia

Kristy Garcia

Nicholas Gibb-Reid

Leon Golding

Aleria M.T. Gonzalez

Mario Gonzalez

Daquez D. Green

Dazell L. Green

Tania Green

Nachelle Griffin

Nicholas Hanson

Donavon Harriott

Nyja D. Harris

Ahjánaé Harrison

Travis Harvest

Jakiya Hay

Kevaughn Hayle

Naquazha Hearn

Jonathan Hernandez-Rojas

Devon Holman

Steffan Houseworth

Michalia Hyman

Jordan Imperati

D'Angelo Innello

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