

Attendance. Progress. Graduation.



COVENANT HOUSE
ACADEMY
GRAND RAPIDS

Commencement Ceremony



**Covenant House Academy Grand Rapids
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PROCESSIONAL

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OPENING REMARKS -----

REMARKS/BOARD PRESIDENT INTRODUCTION -----

BOARD INTRODUCTION -----

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OUTSTANDING SENIOR AWARD RECIPIENT -----

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RECESSIONAL

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A BRIEF GRADUATION CELEBRATION IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING THE CEREMONY IN THE FRONT LOBBY

**6:00pm Tuesday December 13th, 2022
New Hope Baptist Church**

----- RIMIYAH BOONE

----- MARKEITH LARGE, PRINCIPAL

----- TERRENCE GEORGE, SUPERINTENDENT

----- JASON COPPENS, PRESIDENT, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

----- MARKEITH LARGE, ADMINISTRATION

----- FLORIDALMA LOPEZ RAFAEL

----- ANDRE ADAMS, ADMINISTRATION

----- IRUMVA JACKSON

----- CHRIS GRAY AND SARAH BICKEL

----- TERRENCE GEORGE, SUPERINTENDENT

----- MARKEITH LARGE

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Class of December 2022

Israel Dempkey
Juwan Hollowell
Irumva Jackson ‡ **
Adilene Jimenez Juarez
Shyla Johnson
Floralma Lopez Rafael ‡ *
Amya Lynn
Dazire Mayhue
Jhya McKinney
Juan (Casper) Ramirez
Jonathan Rorie
Tatianna Scott
Tomasa Pablo Velasquez ‡
Kyra Williams

* Outstanding Senior Award Recipient

** Dove Award Recipient

‡ Seal of Biliteracy

Covenant House Academy

Special Thanks

Arbor Circle	Hope Gain Network
Atlas Molded Products	Home Repair Services of Kent County
B2 Outlets	Kent ISD
Bethany Christian Services	LifeQuest Ministries
Better, Wiser, Stronger	Michigan Rehabilitation Services
Big Apple Bagels	Linc UP
City Life (Youth for Christ)	NAACP
Covenant House Michigan	New Hope Baptist Church
Cure Violence Global	PROACTIVE Project
Disability Advocates of Kent County	Realism is Loyalty
Family Outreach Center	Regional Educational Media Center 8
Friends of Grand Rapids Parks	Silverback Mentoring Group
Gerald R. Ford Job Corps Center	Strong Beginnings
Gift of Life Michigan	Thomas Security
Grace's Table	Trinity United Methodist Church
Grand Rapids Center for Community Transformation	Triple J
Grand Rapids Urban League	Wells Orchards
Grand Valley Surgical Center	YMCA
GRCC	Young Life
GVSU	YouthBuild

Covenant House Academy

Grand Rapids

Staff

André Adams	Dean of Students
David Baas	Special Education
Chelsea Beckman	Math
R. Wayne Bickel	Science
Sarah Bickel	Enrollment and Attendance
Dawn Brown	Food Services
Rob Carey	Math
Laura Cason	Paraprofessional
Elizabeth Flores	Social Work
Chris Gray	Director of State & Federal Programs
Georgina Guzman	Enrollment Secretary
Scott Haggadone	Behavior Interventionist
Linda Hetherington	ELL/Spanish
Markeith Large	Principal
Rick Laven	Special Education
Lashawn McCoy	Thomas Security
Ashlei McDaniel	Data Specialist
Jeff Rundhaug	Social Studies
Laura Schadoux	ELL
Christopher Thomas	Thomas Security
Riley Trautner	Security Intern
Cloé Van Oss	English
Daniel VanTassell	School Counselor
Rebecca Walsh	English
Kevin Weiss	Science
Lynn Westhoff	Special Education

Youth Vision Solutions, Inc.

Terrence George, President

Nicole Wotlinski, Chair

Edward Wolking, Jr., Vice Chair

Michael Novak, Treasurer

Thomas Smith, Secretary

Daniel Weigartz, Director

Thomas Murar, Director

Covenant House Academy Grand Rapids

Jason Coppens, President

Lisa Knight, Vice President

Kirstina Weber, Treasurer

Gary Vanrooyen, Director

Lakeisha Gilbert, Director

Douglas McNeil, Board Counsel

Lisa Benberry, Board Secretary to the Superintendent

Covenant House Academy Administration

Terrence George, Superintendent/YVS President

Tanya Duffy, Assistant Superintendent

Markeith Large, Principal, CHA Grand Rapids

Our Mission

Covenant House Academy provides at-risk youth in our communities new opportunities to earn a high school diploma, improve their life skills, and build an academic foundation to continue on to higher education or post-secondary skills training. Aided with a compassionate and caring staff, the schools prevent poverty, underachievement, and homelessness while offering hope, encouragement, and a better chance for future success.

Our Schools

Covenant House Academy is an alternative charter school enrolling more than 1,000 students age 16-22, allowing them to complete their high school diploma. There are three campuses in Detroit and one in Grand Rapids. Covenant House Academy Grand Rapids is tuition free, offers two sessions, open-enrollment, and a student-centered environment that allows students to recover credits while developing the knowledge and life skills needed to succeed in life. By providing a safe, structured, self-paced learning environment with qualified, dedicated teachers, Covenant House Academy is helping students graduate from high school and pursue higher learning.

Our Management Company

Youth Vision Solutions (YVS), Inc., is a Michigan nonprofit corporation that provides education management services to charter schools for children and youth who have previously dropped out, are homeless, or otherwise at risk. YVS's purpose is based on the belief that all children and youth have a right to decent living conditions, proper education, and supplemental services delivered with respect and genuine concern.

Congratulations!

On behalf of the board, staff, faculty, and volunteers of Covenant House Academy and Youth Vision Solutions.