

Western Michigan Christian High School Top Ten Graduates



Autumn Alderink, daughter of Erica Alderink, attends Harvest Bible Chapel Spring Lake where she has been involved with the high school youth group. While at WMC, Autumn has been involved with earth club, student council, tennis, National Honor Society as well as participating in several

fall plays. Autumn plans to attend a four year university after graduation and pursue a degree in biochemistry. The verse that means the most to Autumn is Matthew 6:33 *But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.* "This verse is a constant reminder for me to set aside my own worries and plans and to focus on what is most important: pursuing God wholeheartedly."



Katherine Derdowski, the daughter of Steve and Sara Derdowski, attends Port City Church. Kate is a keyboard player for Sunday worship services as well as for WMC chapel services. Kate is also active in her youth group and the children's ministry at Port City Church. As a student at WMC,

Kate has participated in basketball for four years. Kate plans to attend the Ross School of Business at the University of Michigan after graduating and pursue a dual degree in sports management and business administration. The Bible verse that means the most to Kate is John 16:22-23 *Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy. In that day you will no longer ask me anything. Very truly I tell you, my Father will give you whatever you ask in my name.* "Even when times get difficult and I lose the people or the things that are important to me, I can still have hope that one day I will be reunited with Jesus in heaven and I will no longer feel any sadness or pain."



Katelyn Rosema, daughter of Joy and Aaron Rosema, attends Global Vision Bible Church where she is a leader in 'The Movement.' Katelyn's future plans are to attend Muskegon Community College for general studies and then to attend a four year university. The Bible verse that means

the most to Katelyn is Matthew 5:16 *In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.* "While I was growing up, this has always been my favorite verse because I loved the idea of being a light in the dark world. Now, I still want to strive to be that same light, but the reasoning has changed. When I was younger, it was so that I could be seen and noticed by others around me, but now I want to give glory to God through my actions. Although we cannot earn our salvation through our deeds, we can glorify God through them and the same takes place as others see our actions. We have been created to glorify and worship God, which is exactly how I want to live my life and encourage others to do the same."



Andrew Brink is the son of Peter and Shelly Brink. In his high school career, Andrew has participated in soccer, track, basketball, chamber choir and National Honor Society. Andrew attends First Christian Reformed Church in Grand Haven and plans to attend Calvin University to pursue a

Pre-Med career path. The Bible verse that has meant the most is 1 Corinthians 16:13-14 *Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. Do everything in love.* "It is a good reminder on how to live my life every day."



Kabir Ghotra is the son of Narinder Ghotra and Parminder Kaur. Kabir attends Living Word Muskegon. While at WMC Kabir has been involved with soccer and earth club. Kabir plans to attend a four year college or university after graduation and major in biochemistry/premed. The verse that

means the most to Kabir is Jeremiah 29:11 *"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."*



Beymi Tapia Fernandez is the daughter of Miguel Tapia and Bethania Fernandez and attends Calvin Christian Reformed Church. Beymi is involved with serving at Calvin Christian and is a member of the youth group. At WMC, Beymi is the senior class president and

has participated in tennis, student council, Green Machine and National Honor Society. After graduating, Beymi plans to attend the University of Colorado and study business with an emphasis in marketing. Beymi's favorite verse is Isaiah 30:18 *Yet the Lord longs to be gracious to you; therefore he will rise up to show you compassion. For the Lord is a God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for him!* "This verse is the most meaningful to me because many circumstances in my life have required me to be patient and wait on God. Regardless of the wait, God has always answered and been good to me."



Nadia Burr is the daughter of Curtis and Shanda Burr. Nadia attends Evangelical Covenant Church and is involved with youth group. At WMC, Nadia has participated in soccer, basketball, earth club and National Honor Society. After graduation, Nadia plans to attend Grand Canyon University and

study pre-vet. The verse that means the most to Nadia is Romans 5:8 *But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.* "It helps to remind me that I also need to sacrifice myself for others."



Eli Malek is the son of Peter and Jan Malek. Eli attends Covenant Life Church where he attends youth group and has served as a middle school youth group leader and participated in various missions activities. At WMC, Eli has participated in basketball, soccer, chamber choir and

National Honor Society. In addition, Eli has been involved with the Green Machine and Student Council. Eli will be attending Liberty University to pursue a degree in wealth management and financial planning. The verse that means the most to Eli is John 15:12 *My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.* "This verse is significant to me because it reminds me to embody the love of Christ in whatever situation I'm put in."



Emma Croff, the daughter of Brian Croff and Christi Croff, attends Covenant Life Church where she is involved with youth group. Emma has participated in many academic activities including Spanish immersion, advanced placement classes as well as National Honor Society. Emma is also a

member of the WMC Green Machine. This fall, Emma plans to attend Ferris State University to study dental hygiene. The Bible verse that means the most to Emma is Joshua 1:9 *Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.*



Samuel Mulder, son of Doug and Shannon Mulder, attends Covenant Life Church. As a Warrior, Sam has participated in bowling, chess club and track and field. Sam plans to study electrical engineering at Calvin University after graduation. The Bible verse that means the most is Luke 12:24

Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap. "It is super reassuring and a good reminder to me that I don't have to worry as God will provide."

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| Autumn Alderink | Eleanor Kingshott |
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| Williams | Molly Kooistra |
| Tressa Arkema | Charles Kuiper |
| Tessa Bakker | Estella Kuiper |
| Kaiya Betten | Samuel Kuiper |
| Matthew Bradford-Royle | Graeson Lawrence |
| Andrew Brink | Elise Lenertz |
| Isabelle Brower | Magdalen Lubbers |
| Nadia Burr | Daniel Maat |
| Charles Buursma | Eli Malek |
| Margaret Bytwerk | Alexzander Meyette |
| Fisher Campbell | Benjamin Moorhead |
| Trevor Clapp | Samuel Mulder |
| Emma Croff | Lela Nader |
| Peter Davis | Matthias Parker |
| Katherine Derdowski | Hang Pham |
| Lucas Dick | Benjamin Pollock |
| Jonas Dutton | Katelyn Rosema |
| Ashley Folkema | Sydney Sytsema |
| Cody Folkema | Beymi Tapia Fernandez |
| Grace Folkema | Mason Taylor |
| Kabir Ghotra | Caleb Tejchma |
| Ethan Gould | Jaclyn TenCate |
| Justyn Gould | Julissa TerHaar |
| Ella Hawke | Yasmin VanderHeide |
| Henry Hubers | Skylar VanZyvteld |
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| Kevin Jackson | SeoJin Yeo |
| Seowoo Kang | Elijah Zenz |