

THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-SECOND  
ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT



LACKAWANNA COLLEGE

SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2026  
WILKES-BARRE, PENNSYLVANIA

# COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

Sunday, May 17, 2026 | 2 p.m. | Mohegan Arena

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Academic Procession.....	<b>Students</b> <b>Faculty and Staff</b> <b>Stage Party</b>
Master of Ceremonies.....	<b>Brian Costanzo '98</b> Vice President for Government & Special Projects
The National Anthem .....	<b>Alexis Cosgrove</b> Soloist
Welcome .....	<b>Jill Murray, Ph.D.</b> President
Introduction of Student Speaker.....	<b>Dr. Rita Toliver-Roberts</b> Peirce College Provost
Student Speaker.....	<b>Michael Baldwin</b> Class of 2026
Introduction of Valedictorian.....	<b>Erica Barone Pricci, Ph.D.</b> Lackawanna College Provost
Valedictorian Address.....	<b>Alisha Myers</b> Class of 2026
Presentation of Seeley Award.....	<b>Brian Costanzo</b>
Presentation of Hamilton Award.....	<b>Dr. Stephanie Donovan</b> AVP, Online Education
Presentation of Student Awards.....	<b>Dr. Shannon Begley</b> Dean of Academic Advising and Registrar
Conferral of Degrees .....	<b>Dr. Erica Barone Pricci</b> <b>Dr. Rita Toliver-Roberts</b> <b>President Murray</b>
Peirce College Presentation of Diplomas & Certificates.....	<b>Dr. Charlene Glenn</b> Dean of Graduate Studies <b>Dr. Stephanie Donovan</b>
Lackawanna College Presentation of Diplomas & Certificates.....	<b>Denise Larson</b> AVP Enrollment Management and Student Success <b>Adrienne Asbury</b> Dean of Curriculum and Faculty Affairs
Alumni Society Induction.....	<b>Rashean M. Ramsue</b> '22, '23, President, Peirce College Alumni Association
Closing.....	<b>Thomas McLaughlin</b>

IMPORTANT NOTE: We ask that you please remain seated throughout the procession and ceremony. Families may take photographs from the seating area. Professional photos will be made available on Flickr for free download.

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# LACKAWANNA COLLEGE

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## CLASS OF 2026

### BACHELOR OF ARTS

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#### PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

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Denny Temple, Scranton, Pa.

### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

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#### ACCOUNTING

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Brianna C. Carl, Sunbury, Pa.

Trisha Colon, Sunbury, Pa.

John David Hughes, Scranton, Pa.

Thomas Keegan, Waverly Twp, Pa.

Chester Lenceski, Old Forge, Pa.

Eliud Lopez, Reading, Pa.

Trinity McAndrew, Scranton, Pa.

Shane C. McGinley, South Abington Twp, Pa.

Tiffany Miscannon, Hazleton, Pa.

Tameika Oliphant, Philadelphia, Pa.

Liselotte Perez, Hazleton, Pa.

Anisha Smith-Thornton, Scranton, Pa.

Shannon E. Toolan, Clifford Twp, Pa.

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Yeremi Bautista, Pittston, Pa.

Beyonce Blasko, Scranton, Pa.

Michael Bullock, Tunkhannock, Pa.

Jillian Carter, Jefferson Twp, Pa.

Deana Marie Cole, Sayre, Pa.

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Nicole Drumheller, Sunbury, Pa.

Brian Durkin, Archbald, Pa.

Estelle Fuller, Jermyn, Pa.

Adriana Gambo, Dunmore, Pa.

Dana Kay Gillern, Archbald, Pa.

Josse Gonzalez-Espinal, Coal Twp, Pa.

Stephanie Lynn Griffiths, Jessup, Pa.

Gavin Holz, Wayne, Pa.

Trinity Jane Jachens, Milanville, Pa.

Stephanie Karr, Scranton, Pa.

Matthew Kelly, Jenkintown, Pa.

Paige E Kelly, Taylor, Pa.

Alexia Angelina Kopchak, Kingston, Pa.

Zachary Kowanick, Scranton, Pa.

Giovanni C. Lopez, Olyphant, Pa.

Joseph Mandarano, Dunmore, Pa.

Ryan McAndrew, Scranton, Pa.

Dilcia Mejia De Pena, Hazleton, Pa.

Richard Moeller, Olyphant, Pa.

Seth G. Morris, Columbia Cross Roads, Pa.

Allison Murray, Clarks Summit, Pa.

Alisha Myers, Tunkhannock, Pa.

Lisette Angelique Oriol, Hawley, Pa.

Maria Perez, Hazleton, Pa.

Joseph Preate, Old Forge, Pa.

Paul Randall, Drums, Pa.

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Nicholas A. Schmidt, Clifford Twp, Pa.

Jasmin Selimovic, Honesdale, Pa.

Paul-James Sparks, New Milford, Pa.

Jordan Spencer, Clarks Summit, Pa.

Erica L. Stroud, Towanda, Pa.

Dominic Temperino, Dunmore, Pa.

Aaleyah Marie Velez, West Hazleton, Pa.

Amber Voegtlen, Granville Summit, Pa.

Kelly White, Wyalusing, Pa.

Jesse Philip Young, Lords Valley, Pa.

Amanda Elizabeth Zarate Mata, Meshoppen, Pa.

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**Leonela A. Espinosa Ciprian**, Scranton, Pa.  
**Kyle Thomas Gorman**, Lake Ariel, Pa.  
**Christian Hernandez**, Scranton, Pa.  
**Abigail Kelly**, Archbald, Pa.  
**Jacob Kizer**, Scranton, Pa.  
**Genesis Marte**, Hudson, Pa.  
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**Michael Kenneth Sebastianelli**, Jessup, Pa.  
**Prakriti Sitaula Sharma**, Scranton, Pa.  
**Abigail Jo Ursich**, Honesdale, Pa.  
**Tamlyn Winston**, Selinsgrove, Pa.  
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**Julenny Mercedes**, Scranton, Pa.

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# ACADEMIC REGALIA

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The gowns, caps, and hoods worn by faculty, staff, and graduates as they process into the commencement hall have historical origins and significance dating back to the 12th century, when scholars wore long robes and hoods to keep warm in drafty churches where they studied. The practice of wearing gowns became more widespread, and variations were later used by universities to differentiate and recognize the various grades of scholars, including associate, bachelor's, master's, and doctorate. Today's graduates wear a black cap and gown with pointed sleeves to represent their bachelor's and associate degrees. Graduates wearing gold stoles are members of Phi Theta Kappa, the International Honor Society for the associate and bachelor degree-level students. Graduates wearing blue and gold cords are members of Phi Beta Lambda, the International Honor Society for business majors.

## GONFALON

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Commencement gonfalon banners at Lackawanna College signify the various achievements of our graduates. Gonfalon banners are often shield-shaped and hang from a crosspiece on top of a pole. Originally used to designate a household, fighting unit or office, gonfalons became a popular symbol of educational institutions as the Renaissance and Enlightenment encouraged a more educated population.

## ABOUT LACKAWANNA COLLEGE

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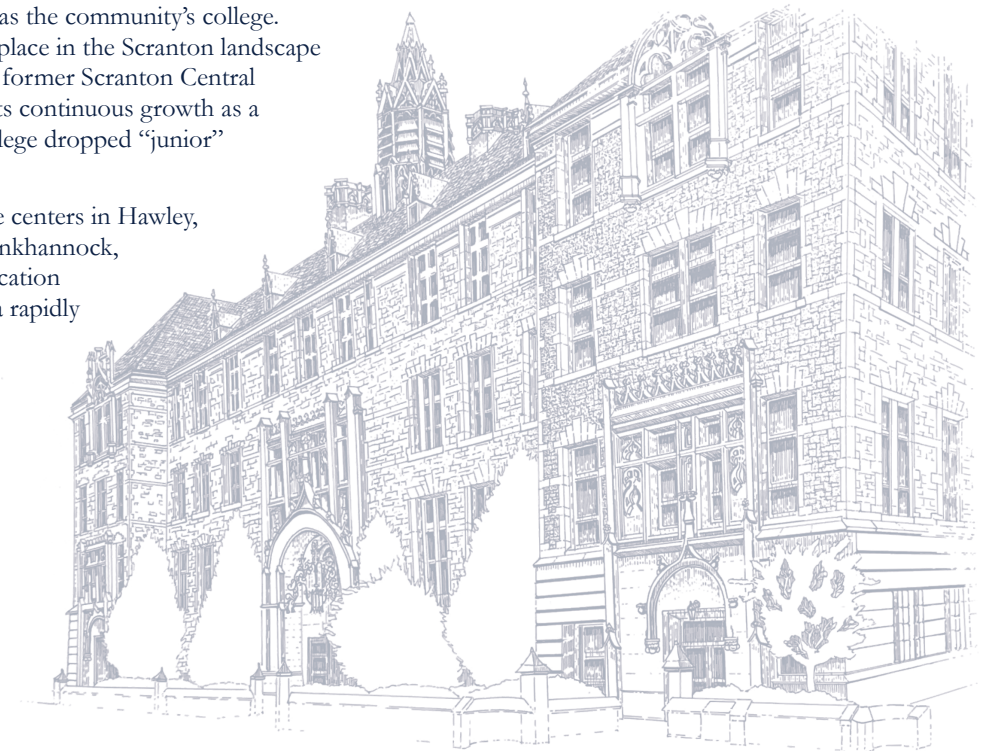
Since its formation in 1894, the College's mission has always been to provide a quality education to all persons who seek to improve their lives and better the communities in which they live. Over its 132-year history, the College has seen many distinctive transformations of educating and preparing students to meet the ever-changing demands of the 20th and 21st century workforces. This was true in its earliest days, when prominent local educator, John H. Seeley, adopted Lackawanna Business College on North Washington Avenue in 1902, which he merged ten years later with the neighboring Scranton Business College. The brand-new Scranton Lackawanna Business College was built in the city's flourishing downtown. The newly formed institution primarily supported Scranton's emergence as the hub of the nation's coal industry and served as a place to educate the breaker boys of the area's anthracite coal mines.

Lackawanna Junior College was chartered in 1957 as a nonprofit institution, and course offerings expanded to include humanities and the social and behavioral sciences; Lackawanna could now award associate level degrees, reinforcing its purpose as the community's college.

The College further strengthened its place in the Scranton landscape when it purchased and renovated the former Scranton Central High School in 1994. As a signal of its continuous growth as a thriving academic institution, the College dropped "junior" from its name in 2001.

Presently, the College has five satellite centers in Hawley, Hazleton, Sunbury, Towanda, and Tunkhannock, Pennsylvania; an Environmental Education Center in Covington Township; and a rapidly expanding main campus in Scranton.

As we celebrate more than 130 years of service to our students and our communities, we would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Class of 2026.



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