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### Popular majors among modern college students

College students' choice of majors can set them on a path toward rewarding and lucrative careers. Though a career may not be foremost on the minds of students as they graduate high school and inch closer to the start of college, choice of major merits consideration, even among students who have yet to receive their high school diplomas.

Many college students enroll in school as undeclared, while others may pick a major without realizing what it requires and which career path it might set them on. That might explain why it's so common for college students to switch majors. Though data indicating how many students switch majors is somewhat dated, one study from the U.S. Department of Education indicated about one in five students changed their majors at least once while pursuing a bachelor's degree. With that in mind, students may want to consider some popular majors as they try to determine which path to take in college. According to the National Center for Education

Statistics, more than half of the 2.1 million bachelor's degrees awarded at United States colleges and universities in the 2020-21 school year were concentrated in six fields of study. In addition, the NCES reports that the following are the six most popular degrees from that academic year.

- 1. Business: Almost one in five bachelor's degrees awarded in 2020-21 were in the field of business.
- 2. Health professions: This field accounted for 13 percent of all bachelor's degrees awarded in 2020-21. Common specializations include health sciences, health care administration, nursing, and sports medicine.
- 3. Social sciences and history: NCES data indicates nearly one in 10 students majored in a social science in 2020-21. This includes specializations such as history, political science and sociology.
- 4. Engineering: Demand for engineers is expected to rise in the coming decades, and that should bode well for the 126,000 students who earned bachelor's

degrees in engineering in 2020-21.

5. Biological and biomedical sciences: Bachelor's degrees awarded in biological and biomedical sciences increased by 46 percent between the 2010-11

and 2020-21 school years.

6. Psychology: NCES data indicates degrees in psychology accounted for 6 percent of all bachelor's degrees awarded in 2020-21.

Choice of major is a professional futures.

significant decision for college students. Students are urged to discuss potential majors with their parents as they seek to lay the foundation for their professional futures.



# Gift ideas for high school graduates

The class of 2024 soon will be donning their caps and gowns and receiving their diplomas. After commencement ceremonies, graduation parties will soon follow. For party guests, that means finding the right gifts for grads.

Some high school graduates will continue their studies at colleges and universities. Others may pursue careers in various trades. Still, some graduates may be ready to enter the workforce right away. No matter the direction, these gifts can treat graduates to something special.

#### Travel accessories

Graduates may want to go on a trip before they take the next step in their lives. Quality travel gear is a worthy investment. Select luggage that won't exceed airport carry-on limits so grads can cut the baggage check lines when they dart away to locales near or far. Carry-on bags also fit easily in bus cargo areas or in the trunks of cars. Pair the gifts with standard or digital luggage tags.

#### Streaming TV device

While it's certainly possible to watch favorite shows or films on mobile devices, viewing is that much clearer on televisions. Rather than graduates having to invest in cable television wherever they go, streaming devices like AppleTV or Roku are portable, which means they can be used at home, in a dorm room or on vacation.

#### Secured credit card

Individuals typically are eligible to apply for credit cards once they reach age 18, which is the age most students are

when they graduate high school. Credit cards are one method of establishing solid credit, so it can be beneficial for a teen to have one. But it can be challenging for individuals with no credit histories to get approval. A secured card, according to CapitalOne, is a credit card that requires money deposited with the credit card issuer in order to open the account. This security deposit is held by the issuer as long as the account is open. Often the security deposit is the same as the credit limit. Gift-givers can help establish secured cards for grads by providing the funds for the security deposits.

#### Wireless earbuds or headphones

Upgrade grads' audio with the newest wireless earbuds or headphones. This way they can take them to the gym or use

them to listen to shows or music while sharing spaces with others, including college roommates.

#### Smartphone wallet case

Teenagers are seldom without their phones. A smartphone wallet case enables graduates to stash IDs, credit or debit cards and some cash into specially designed pockets built into the phone cases. This keeps all essentials in one spot.

#### Framed memorabilia

Whether a graduate was a star athlete or a premier member of the marching band, gift-givers can provide special memories of time spent in school. Frame ticket stubs, sports jerseys, show programs, or other memorabilia that commemorates a graduate's glory days at their alma mater.



# SALEM HIGH SCHOOL Class of 2024









**Ahearn Alexander** 



**Allen** Jaelyn



**Amos Vincent** 



**Andrews** Brianna



**Arney-Brown** Taylor



**Aune** Camilla



Baba Lauren



**Barger** Jacob



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**Bevins** Grace



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**Brooks** William



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Cameron



Madelyn



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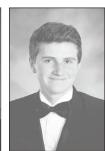
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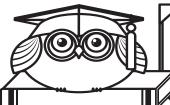
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Fajardo Ria **Alexa** 



**Fechko** Chloe



**Fick** Lukas



**Fielder** Lily



**Finley Brooklyn** 



**Fischer** Graham



Fleenor Elizabeth



Fleshman-**Armes Taylor** 



**Fletcher** Evan



Flores-Hernandez **Ashley** 



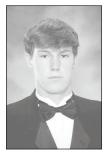
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**Fountain** Jason



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Salem High School Staff wishes to congratulate the Class of 2024 Graduates on their hard work, dedication, and many achievements. Your journey is just beginning and we wish you all the best!



Graboyes Madeline



Griffin Brandon



Griffith Morgan



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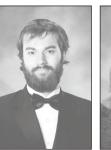
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Jeffries Jayden



Johann Dalton



Johnson III James



Johnson Katie



Jones Jayveon



Jones Shahzae



Joyce Kendall



Justice Aaron



Karadzic Sarah



Khan Tabia



Kidd Jazzlyn



King Andrew



Knowles Ayden



Kordik Krustof



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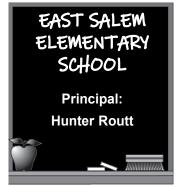


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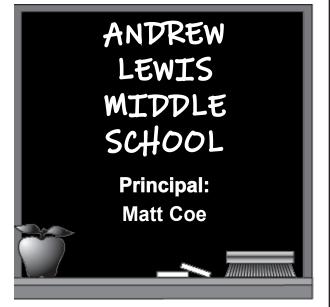




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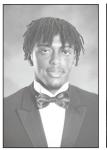
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Murphy Mikayla



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Owens Jr Jeffrey



Parsell Lebron



Parsons Macie



Perez Blake



Perrin Kirsten



Perry Spencer



Perry Tayammum-Deen



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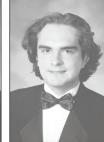
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**Saunders** Novaleen



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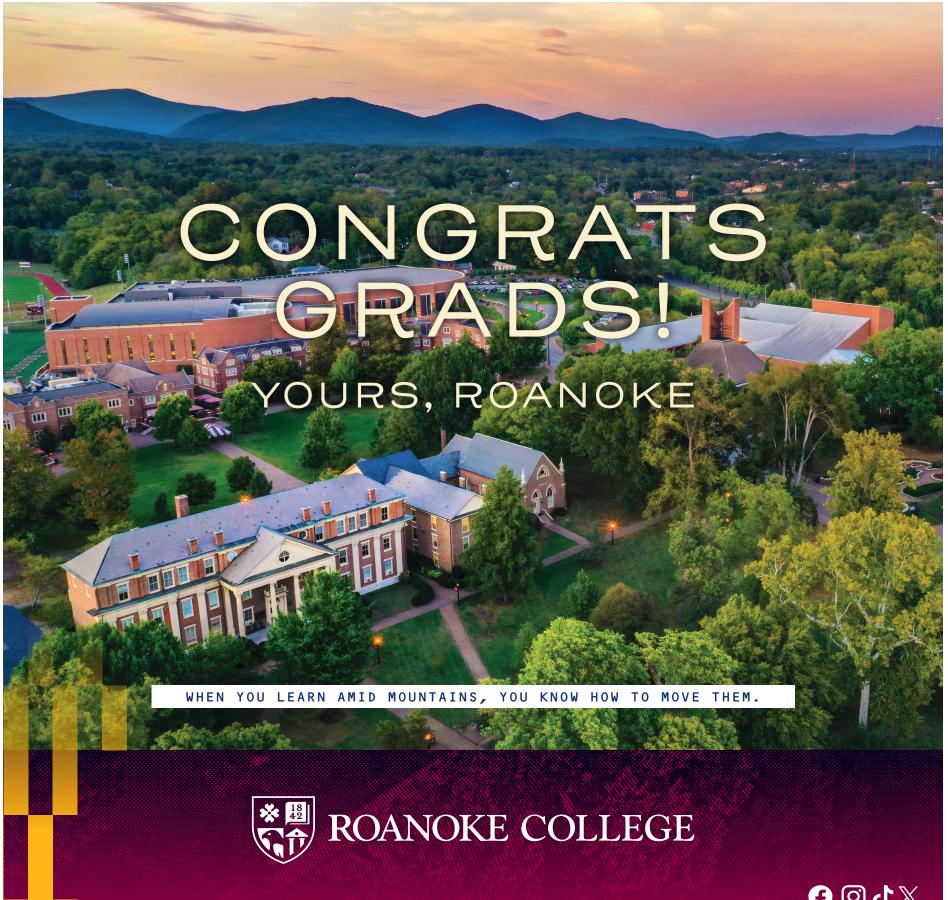


#### **Congratulations Class of 2024**

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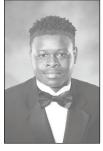
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Wimbish Cameron



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Yerton Lucas



Young Andrew



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Ailstock **Ember** 



Alley Charlotte



**Anderson Dawson** 



Anderson Hope



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Barger **Bryan** 



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**Blankenship** Conner



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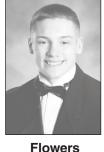
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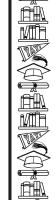


Hardin Campbell





Congratulations
Highlanders
Class of 2024!



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Hardy Nathaniel



Harris Micheal



Harshbarger Melanie



Hartz Heidi



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Hogan Aaron



Holliday Benjamin



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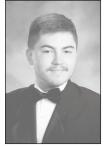


Jackson Hunter

Good Luck!







Jenkins Jarrett



Johnson Nathan



Jones Rosalea



Killeen Joanna



King Aspen



King Bryce



King Johnny



King Matthew



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Linkous Elia



Louvet Zachary



Lovern Tanner



Lucas McKayla



Luper Wade



McKinney Cassandra



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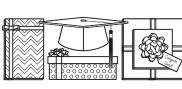
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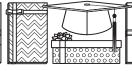


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Pope **Emma** 



**Powell** Gabrielle



**Pratt Michael** 



Ross Haden



Russell **Ainsley** 



Schoonover Gabriella



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Shearer Isabel



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**Spence** Claire



**Spencer** Julia



Stanley Giuliana



Stanley Jacob



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Street Jordan



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**Taylor** Silas



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Walton **Sydney** 



Watts Kamirah



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# \* \* \* Congratulations to the Graduates!





White Hayley



Wilkins Bethanie



Wilson Ava



Winebarger Maci



Witt Avery



Woodie Aiden



Woods Joshua







You did it GRAD



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# Congratulations to the Class of 2024 Graduates!

# CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES! SALEM TIMES-REGISTER WISHES YOU THE BEST OF LUCK IN YOUR FUTURE ENDEAVORS!















#### A TOUCH OF LOVE

You were six months old and full of fun. With a blink of my eye, you were suddenly one! There were so many things we were going to do. But I turned my head and you were two. At two you were still dependent on me. but independence took over when you turned three. Your third birthday, another year I wish to ignore. But as I lit the candles, there weren't three but four. Four was the year that you really strived. Why look at you now, you are already five. Now you are ready for books and rules. This is the year that you go to school. The big day came, you were anxious to go, We walked to the bus going oh, so slow. As the bus drove away and you waved goodbye, I felt a lump in my throat as a tear stung my eye. For when the bus brings you home and you jump to the ground You will be wearing your cap and graduation gown. Time goes by so fast, it is hard to believe. Why just yesterday you were home with me. So I treasure these moments while you're still at home. the next time I look around you'll be grown up and gone.

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