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The Graduating Class of 1996



Row 1: Sondra Banks, Allison Pinion, Lisa Deppe, Oralya Flake, Heather Braley, Kim Scott, Marsha Hearne, Kim McKinney, Mandy Poston, Kristina Scott, Valerie Harris, Susan Byrd, Lolita Rivers, Beth Vanderburg, Tracy Horton, Carmen Burleson, Melissa Speight, Laura Cauble. Row 2: Shia Thor, Stephanie Cooper, Robby Bennett, Alison Burpeau, Jon Osborn, Ashley Efird, Brian Lawrence, Marc Tuzenew, Dustin Poplin, Jacobis McKinney, Ashley Whitley, Renee Fink, Jennifer Hudson, Alicia Brown, Consuela Morrison, Lori Allen, Quanita Lilly, Angel Kirby. Row 3: Teshika Edwards, Deshanne Lilly, Tyrone Wideman, Meless Bruton, Cytrina Leake, Saladine Peets, Leigh Anne Mills, Sai Yang, Beth Vanhoy, Eric Farr, Shawna Euto, Christine Pool, Mitchell Smith, Amy Miskell, Brico Flake, Elizabeth Donnelly, Melinda Wilmoth, JoDee Sluik, Tammy Hinson. Row 4: Kendra Whittington, Timothy Leslie, Terris Green, Mondarius Henry, Mary Jenkins, Cedric Baldwin, Rebecca Steele, Brett Shields, Sasha Eury, Michael Crowder, Jennifer Lowder, Eric Lowder, Gina Taylor, Chris Kubik, Mary Nance, Brian Dennis, Tosha Gaddy, Bobby Gentle, April Bailey. Row 5: David Stallings, Kelley Morehead, Donnie Hamilton, Khristina Butler, Enthrellian Russell, Mary K. Sharpe, Vic Stallings, Annette Boysworth, John Brooks, Emily Hinson, Stephen Anderson, Melanie Burgess, West Talbert, Eloise Odom, Allen Carpenter, Seth Mabry, Jonathan Jones, Matthew Bowers, Zachery Harrison, Adam Tobias. Row 6: Thomas Taylor, Grant Hopkins, Kenian Covington, Gregory Baldwin, Brian Wilson, Laura Beth Whitley, Brian Herring, Christy Mason, Joshua Lawson, Stephen Smith, Raymond Ridenhour, Jamie Simmons, David Little, James Cotton, Jerod Green, Gresham Wilhelm. Row 7: Jeremy Bowers, Chris Burris.

WSOC Reporter/Anchor to Speak at Graduation

by Kelly Rakes

The graduating class of 1996 has striven diligently their past four years of high school to reach this special moment in their lives, GRADUATION. In honor of those graduating, Samantha Thompson, an Eyewitness News Weekend Anchor/Reporter for WSOC-TV, has been invited as a guest speaker for the AHS graduation.

A graduate of Johnson C. Smith University, Ms. Thompson will influence those graduating students with her positive words and her college and work experiences. Samantha also has done an array of internships to launch her career and has developed wide-ranging experience in the field of news reporting. Two of the organizations that have provided Ms. Thompson with this type of opportunity are *The Charlotte Observer* and WBTV. These experiences have helped her become the valued news reporter/anchor that she is currently today for Channel 9 News.

AHS and the graduating class of 1996 are privileged and honored to have Ms. Samantha Thompson from Channel 9 Eyewitness News to speak at their special ceremony.



Samantha Thompson

Whittington, Nance, Valedictorian, Salutatorian for Class of '96

by Eloise Odom

The valedictorian and salutatorian of AHS's class of 1996 are Kendra Whittington and Mary Nance. Both Kendra and Mary have performed well not only in academics but also in extracurricular activities. Taking part in numerous clubs, sports, and social organizations, each of the two students has taken part in many of the activities AHS has to offer.

Kendra Whittington is a member of the Interact Club, Spanish Club, National Honor Society, and Spanish National Honor Society. Recently, she has received her high school diploma in social music. Kendra has been a statistician for two years for AHS's varsity basketball teams, a captain in band, and a member of First Lutheran's Chancel Handbell Choir and Youth Choir.

Mary Nance has been a member of both the track team and cross country team for four years. She has also been a member of the basketball cheerleading squad for two years. Mary is a

member of FCA, Interact Club, Spanish Club, Jr. Civitan Club, and Science Club. She is also the president of the National Honor Society, senior class vice president, and president of the Spanish National Honor Society.

AHS commends Kendra and Mary on their outstanding work and leadership and wishes them luck on their upcoming college years.



K. Whittington



M. Nance