

# Graduates!



**Athena Rilatos**  
**Portland State University**

Congratulations to Athena Rilatos for graduating from Portland State University (Portland, Ore.) with her Master of Architecture! She is a first-generation master's recipient. We are so proud of you and love so much!

Love, Mom, Dad, Cassandra, Josh, Savanna and the kids



**Savanna Rilatos**  
**University of Oregon**

Congratulations to Savanna Rilatos for graduating from the University of Oregon (Eugene, Ore.) with her Master of Education! She is graduating with a teacher's license, endorsements in English language arts, world languages, ESOL and social studies. Savanna is a first-generation master's recipient.

We are so beyond proud of you and love you so much!

Love, Mom, Dad, Cassandra, Josh and the kids



**Jacob Reid**  
**Portland State University**

Jacob graduated from Portland State University with a Master's in Social Work (MSW). We are so proud of his accomplishments! He is the first of his family to achieve and hold a master's degree.

"When we each succeed, we all succeed. We are part of a shared circle of interdependence and interconnection. I hope we always support each other to dream and grow."

We love you and are looking forward to seeing how you grow in the future!



**Juan Vasquez Jr.**  
**South Albany High School**

Congrats to our son, Juan Vasquez Jr., for graduating from South Albany High School (Albany, Ore.) on June 4. You did it, son, and we're all so proud of you! Keep up the good work, continue to be humble and disciplined – and keep being you, the person we all love so much.

Love, Mom Christina and Dad Juan Sr.

Juan plans to attend the University of Redlands, where he will study writing/media studies and play NCAA Division 3 football with the University of Redlands Bulldogs.

**Jacob Vasquez**  
**Siletz Valley School**

Congratulations to Jacob Vasquez for graduating from Siletz Valley School. He's the son of Rena Brandt, grandson of Selene Rilatos and Dan Lynch, and Loraine Butler.

We love you, Jacob. We're so proud of you!



**Shannon Rilatos Chrisman**  
**Walla Walla University**

"I will be receiving my MSW – Master in Social Work. I am graduating from the clinical social work master's program at Walla Walla University in College Place, Wash.

"In this rigorous program, I've taken courses geared toward providing mental health therapy. Courses included Human Behavior and Social Environment, Policy and Advocacy, Advanced Groups Psychotherapy, Advanced Individual, Advanced Clinical Practice and Therapy, Theory and Modalities, Marriage and Family Therapy, Religion & Spirituality in Social Work, Research, Cultural Competence and Trauma Informed Practices.

"Upon graduation, my future plans involve providing strengths-based, culturally sensitive therapy services to people of all ages and need, as there is such a high need for mental health healing in our state."



**Ryan King**  
**University of South Dakota, Sanford School of Medicine**

Ryan King graduated from the University of South Dakota, Sanford School of Medicine on May 3. He begins a four-year anesthesia residency at Shands Hospital in Gainesville, Fla., on July 1.

He's the grandson of Mary Johnson Grabert. I'm so proud of you, son!

Love, Mom



Photos by Andy Taylor

Above: Ash Blomstrom, Toledo High School

Left: A Tribal Head Start student shares the love.

Courtesy photo by Cohen and Park

**Siletz Valley School Class of 2024: Back row (l to r) – Josh Scott, Miles Case, Samuel Retherford, Jacob Vasquez, Carter Perez and Nathan Luckini. Front row (l to r) – Zion Fantroy, Christy Biggar, Shelby Parr, Mia Hutchinson and Joshua Johnson. Not pictured: Omarius Houghton**



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**Class of 2024**

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