

130TH ANNUAL
ROCHESTER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT



Transfer of Flags

MAY 19, 2019 | 1:30 P.M.
JAMES MONROE HIGH SCHOOL

Program

PRELUDE

“America, the Beautiful” by Katherine Lee Bates and Samuel A. Ward;
arr. Phillip Keveren
Rachel Dobbs, Pianist

PROCESSIONAL MARCH

“Maria” by Stanish Claws; arr. Lisa Scott
Urban Steel Band Ensemble led by Lisa Scott

MASTER OF CEREMONY

Cecilia Griffin-Golden, Ph.D, Deputy Superintendent of Teaching and Learning

GREETINGS

Van Henri White, President, Board of Education

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”
Tiffany Bumphis, Soloist
Rachel Dobbs, Pianist

SPEAKER

Adrian Hale, Senior Manager, Workforce/Economic Development & Education Initiatives –
Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce

PRESENTATION OF 2018–2019 STANDARD BEARERS AWARD MEDALS

Thomas Pappas, Assistant Principal, James Monroe High School
Honored Guests

TRANSFER OF THE FLAG CEREMONY

CHARGE TO THE STANDARD BEARERS

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

NATIONAL ANTHEM

“The Star-Spangled Banner” – Traditional
Words by Francis Scott Key. Music by John Stafford Smith
Tiffany Bumphis, Soloist
Rachel Dobbs, Pianist

RECESSIONAL MARCH

“Viva La Vida” by Buckland, Berryman, Champion, and Martin
Urban Steel Band Ensemble led by Lisa Scott

The Charge of the Standard Bearers

Our flag represents a unified community of nationalities and races: people who have freely decided to bond together under one name, the United States of America, and under one power, God, as He is the ultimate power. This cloth, covered with red and white stripes and stars dotting a blue field, salutes our people: a people trying to create a society of freedom for all individuals, struggling to realize our beliefs and goals.

Today, we give honor to this flag by entrusting it to these very deserving students, the young men and women having the highest academic achievement in the schools they represent.

Yours is a sacred trust, handed down to you by others. Your responsibilities are the same as those outlined at the first presentation of flags ceremony held in 1889 at the Rochester City Hall. Guard the safety and dignity of our flag, and remember that this flag, under which we serve, is the emblem of our unity, our power, our thought and purpose as a nation.



School	2018–2019	2019–2020
Clara Barton School No. 2	NieAsia Evans Camera Smith	Jeremiah Hammond Saria Gauson Jymire Anderson
Nathaniel Rochester School No. 3	Shar Ka Por Ku Jasmine'Ania Bush	Janiaha Henton Paris O'Neal Lanesha Parker
George Mather Forbes School No. 4	Aboud Mohamed Heniya Daniels Taur'ys E. Conner	Aliaa A. Jones Tyler J. Lawrence-Smith Mya M. Samuels
John Williams School No. 5	Roddrick Bailey Gabriel Rodriguez Thazin Oo	Kaine Mohammad Hassan Michael X Adams Paola Rosa
Virgil I. Grisson School No. 7	Makayla Thompson De'Janea Bell	Harley Dailey Andre Martinez Mi'Lanie Rivera
Roberto Clemente School No. 8	Shyann Ginnis Macca Abdi Destiny Brown	Darrel King Angel Diaz Wilfredo Santana
Martin Luther King, Jr. School No. 9	Yanice Green Naron Dunbar Jean Agnostic	Kenneth Howard Carlos Machado Rochely Rivera
Dr. Walter Cooper Academy School No. 10	Kylie Serrano Dixon Daniels Pratik Magar	Maya Adams Shanae Dickinson Austin Scott
Anna Murray-Douglass Academy School No. 12	Josmary Alvarado Trianna Holt	Jaylin Adams Blaire Williams
The Children's School of Rochester School No. 15	Ahmed Abdi Pramila Magar	Andre Bruce Marya Thabit
John Walton Spencer School No. 16	Abdiaziz Omar Olivia Walker-Llghfile Bilash Magar	Aden Aden Ghaveah Burroughs A marianna Washington
Enrico Fermi School No. 17	Bryanna Kuhn Arianna Dorado-Martinez Ziamyre Crosby	Jahnaizha Gause Jason Hannabach Carissa Marcial
Dr. Charles T. Lunsford School No. 19	Alexis Hatchet Antony Owens	Tyler Temple Rhyleigh Ross Jaysean Jubray
Henry Lomb School No. 20	Gloriann M Perez Damari J Davis	Lilyana Pyatt-Ramos Lenijah Rivera-Alshaman Tamiyas Key
Abraham Lincoln School No. 22	Ester Nunez Jamani Mitchell Samuel Mckenney	Jacayla Stewart Jose Rivera Tito Valazquez
Francis Parker School No. 23	Reyna Kettavong Casey Hawk Samiayah Hernandez	Greg Upham Layla Champion Gypsy Malave

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Nathaniel Hawthorne School No. 25	Nyzhier Rivera Keishlian Rodriguez	Di'Yari King Zerah Duch
Henry Hudson School No. 28	Adriana Santos Rivera	Kamari King Esau Kpor
Adlai E. Stevenson School No. 29	Naveah Brooks	King Rainey Kyeonie Leta Robinson
John James Audubon School No. 33	Eduardo Rios-Santiago Jahzier DeJesus	Andrea Johnson Elijah Baker
Dr. Louis A. Cerulli School No. 34	Dezarri Williams Xanieliz Diaz	Peyton Butch Niyela Barnes Amari Sanks
Pinnacle School No. 35	Carlos Diaz Julieann M Falu Justice Stubbs Betashie Torres	Andrew Betances Elise Gibson-Cuffee Caleb Hardy Yileiris Medina
Andrew J. Townson School No. 39	Terrance Calixte Annalee Gonzalez Jordan Rivera Elias Herman	Terrance Calixte Deyaneira Roldan Jordan Rivera Elias Herman Amarie'l Harring Tatiana Fernandez-Jimenez-Sanchez
Abelard Reynolds School No. 42	Aaliyah Belmont Colden Martin William Cody	Max Nelson Ariel rector Khai Aung
Theodore Roosevelt School No. 43	Arianna Anderson Joseph Baldrich Naiome Benitez	Esther Laracuente Wadah Saeed LuLu Rakovan
Lincoln Park School No. 44	Kiyonna Jones Adrianna Cook	Richard Larkin Jazzmyn Thomas Le'Nay Wooden
Mary McLeod Bethune School No. 45	Harmony Wall Jafari Mitchell	Charish Jones-Carter Evin Vazquez
Charles Carroll School No. 46	Ryan Dutkiewicz Lucas Hogan-Roy	Lillian Nielsen Isabella Devries Satya Scherbenske
Helen Barrett Montgomery School No. 50	Beh Rah Christian Cruz	Khadega Dhafer Rashed Cristian Cruz
Frank Fowler Dow School No. 52	Aidan T Peers Jack Everson Paris S Graham Sides	Charlotte Colon Izaiah Wood Norman Rivet III
Montessori Academy School No. 53	Jameere Brown Gadiel Pedraza Areana Soto	Ava Corria Luna Brumaghim Eriq Jones
The Flower City School No. 54	R'reyonna Hurst Brianna Pacheco	Kaylee Vo Addison Washington

School	2018–2019	2019–2020
Early Childhood School of Rochester School No. 57	Dahlia Lathan De'mario Perry	Daniel Greathouse III Caileia Odum-Esther Tremane McNair Scales I Kiaya-Starr Keiara Wall
World of Inquiry School No. 58	Jessia Breedy Justus Robinson Chloe Knapp Lorenzo Vinci	Jaden Johns Timothy Chih London Reed Aziah Dollar
Joseph C. Wilson Foundation Academy	Ny'zere Ponder Semaja Williams	Aaliyah Thomas Keysean Smickle, Eliana Hagoood-Coker Anastasia Charley
RISE Community School No. 106	Drakaar Dove Ariel Medrek Jaime Hernandez	Jabary Bridgewater Marcos Espada Ke'Marri Monson
East High School	Clarissa Moore Deyaneria Flores	Amina Gazali Aroma Dulal
Edison Career & Technology High School	Arianna Blandino Michael Ciepluch, Jr. Owen Perry Fadiyah Tobler-Morris	Shaheem Ellis, Jr. Keily Soto Santana Danielle Harris Jose Sanchez Nadine Uwizeyimana
P-Tech Pathways to Technology Program	Adrian Jones Kanya Jones	Jordan Neu Kanya Jones
Integrated Arts & Technology High School	Justin Healy Berneris Marte Yarushka Caraballo	Heaven Smith Moo Law Lah Soe Diamond Jason
James Monroe High School	Nai Da Twey Angel Rodriguez	Juan Ortiz Anayha Cordell Joel Barberis Nayelis Martinez
Joseph C. Wilson Magnet Commencement High School	Karenna Thomas Ellie Anderson Zych Maggie Enderle	Rebecca Connors Alia Nguyen Sada Thein Mya
The Leadership Academy for Young Men	Daquan McCullough Hector Santiago Paul Aponte	Robert Kennedy Justin Davila Josh Trostle
Northeast/Northwest College High School	Andino Nyong Yasmin Riley Josiah Tavolino	Quadir Hodges-McKnight Kymaurya Brumfield Solmarie Cintron
Rochester Early College International High School	Nadia Dahl Rishan Gurung John Hightower	William Lanos Hafsa Mohamed Israel Muhleman-Rodriguez
School of the Arts	Ashira Fischer-Wachspress Bailey Hawk	Emma Bryce Jenna Le
Vanguard Collegiate High School	Brianna Wade Robert Mixon	Angel Dejesus Identiti Lee

ARRANGEMENTS:

Stephen LaMorte, Executive Director of Social Studies
Thomas Pappas, Assistant Principal, Monroe High School
Jay Piper, Principal, School No. 15

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In Celebration of 130 Years

“Every available seat in the City Hall was filled yesterday afternoon long before the hour was fixed for the opening ceremonies of presenting flags to the pupils of the public schools... whose duty it will hereafter be to care for the flags entrusted to their charge. The flags shall be handed down hereafter from one generation to another to remind us of the priceless heritage which we possess.”

Rochester Evening Times
February 23, 1889

On that day in 1889, a group of Civil War veterans from the George H. Thomas Post, No. 4, Grand Army of the Republic, marched to City Hall where each veteran presented a new flag to one student representative from each of Rochester’s 32 public schools.

These student representatives, called Standard Bearers, were chosen for their outstanding academic achievement and demonstrated citizenship. This, the first Transfer of Flags ceremony, was proposed by Captain Henry Lomb.

Henry Lomb, who along with John Jacob Bausch founded the Rochester-based firm Bausch & Lomb, was a German immigrant who loved his adopted country and its flag. He was one of the first New York State residents to enlist in the Union Army during the Civil War. He rose to the rank of Captain and fought in many of the major battles, including Fredericksburg, Antietam and the “Battle of Bull Run.”

Captain Lomb believed that some visible recognition should be paid to the Standard Bearers of our flag; thus began the tradition of Bausch & Lomb’s presentation of a bronze medallion to each Standard Bearer. In fact, Captain Lomb himself presented the medals until his death in 1908.

Today we gather to celebrate the 129th Transfer of Flags Ceremony, which is the oldest surviving tradition in the Rochester City School District.