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## Windover High School celebrates grads

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It was a night of celebration for 36 graduates from Windover High School, including 18 from the Jobs for Michigan's Graduates program.

More than 200 family members, friends, Windover High School board members, staff, and community partners joined in the recent celebration at Bullock Creek High School Auditorium. Graduates completed a variety of programs including academic, career and technical education to help them get prepared for the next steps of their lives.

Principal Gina Wilson opened the event by highlighting Windover High School's new partnership with Jobs for Michigan's Graduates, stating, "The partnership with JMG has been invaluable to Windover High School and its students, by providing them with an essential set of skills and information that will allow them to continue the trajectory of success they have created towards building a future they can be proud of."

State Sen. Jim Stamas was the commencement speaker. He reminded graduates that this is only the first of many goals and milestones that the graduates will reach in their lives.

"It was an honor to recognize these students who had overcome challenges in order to achieve success," he said.

A challenge coin was given to each of the graduates by Stamas, and he asked them to keep it with them to remind them of their accomplishments.

Rebecca Long, the student commencement speaker and co-president of Windover High School Jobs for Michigan's Graduates career association, said: "Windover allows us to become whatever we want to be and do whatever we never thought we could."

Long reminded students that when choosing what direction their life should take, "Just make sure the choice is yours because that is how you get what you want out of this life."

Cheri King, president of the Windover High School Board, also was presented with the 2018 Hall of Honor Award, in recognition of 15 years of service and dedication to the students of Windover High School.