

**School of Education
Graduation Celebration and
Recognition Ceremony
Class of 2025**



**Thursday, May 15, 2025
4:30 p.m.
Gottesman Room, Kessel Student Center
Westchester Campus**

Conceptual Framework:

To prepare graduates of our programs
to be reflective practitioners who
promote justice, create caring classrooms
and school communities, and enable all
students to be successful learners.

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Tresmaine R. Grimes, Dean

Brian Evans, Associate Dean

University Awards

Undergraduate Scholastic Achievement Award

Gianna Bianco

Presented by: Carrieann Sipos

Graduate Outstanding Student of the Year Award

Ciara Morabito

Presented by: Carrieann Sipos

Career Services Award

Jamie-Lynn Figueroa

Presented by: Dana Burr

School Partnership Award

Griselda Reyes, Principal

Mt. Pleasant Blythedale School (at Blythedale Children's Hospital)

Presented by: Jennifer Argenta

Departmental Awards

Outstanding Early Childhood Education Award

Elizabeth Robbins

Presented by: Cathy Lopane-Chulla

Outstanding Childhood Education Award

Anthony Gianfrancesco

Presented by: Jennifer Argenta

Outstanding Adolescent Education Award

Rebecca DeLeo

Presented by: Tasha Darbes

Literacy Award

Arzu Ozuk

Presented by: Tasha Darbes

Special Education Award

Cydney Gardner

Presented by: Angela White

Departmental Awards

TESOL Award

Jamie-Lynn Figueroa

Presented by: Tasha Darbes

Teacher as Researcher Award

Laura Gikas

Cindy Denisse Zuna Ortiz

Presented by: David Nodiff

Spirit of Pace Award

Christie De Feo

Presented by: Shobana Musti

Latin Honors

Angelique-Marie Baptiste*

Gianna Bianco**

Shanya Blackwell•

Rachel Bloom**

Christie De Feo*

Rebecca DeLeo**

Jacqueline DeMarco**

Jamie-Lynn Figueroa*

Jenna Flynn•

Crystal Hammond**

Isabella Lage•

Nicole Micela**

Ciara Morabito**

Gabrielle Mpasiakos•

Sofia Napolitano•

Cindy Denisse Zuna Ortiz**

Maria Piedrahita*

Angelina Porcello*

Katelyn Porter*

Reem Reihani*

Breanna Ricci**

Elizabeth Robbins**

Cynthia Rosado•

Alexis Sammarco**

Angela Sgobbo*

Samantha Swenson**

Jamie Terlecki*

Gianna Trippodo*

Clement Vushaj**

** Summa Cum Laude, * Magna Cum Laude,

• Cum Laude, ◇ Pforzheimer Honor College,

+ with Distinction

Honors are awarded pending computation of final grades.

Teachers of Color Empowerment Network Participants

Tyler Batista

Angelique-Marie Baptiste

Shanya Blackwell

Brianna Edwards50200

Jamie-Lynn Figueroa

Cydney Gardner

Alicia Montero

School of Education Westchester

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