

# OUTSTANDING Business Student



*Audrey Litman*  
**ALLEGANY HIGH SCHOOL**

Audrey is currently the president of Allegany's Future Business Leaders of America chapter. Through this organization she has had the opportunity to work in FBLA's student-run bookstore, help plan events, and compete in various business competitions. She has placed on a regional, statewide, and national level through these competitions, being awarded 1st in the state and

7th in the nation for the FBLA Publications Design Event.

Outside of FBLA, Audrey is the Allegany County Association of Student Councils President, the secretary of Allegany's National Honor Society, the flute/piccolo section leader of the Allegany marching band, and a member of Allegany's mock trial team and jazz band.



*Ava DiPola*  
**BISHOP WALSH SCHOOL**

Ava is the Editor-in-Chief of the 2022-2023 yearbook. She communicates with the advisor about assignments, deadlines, photography issues, page layout, staff needs, etc. Ava has done an amazing job on this year's book. She is also responsible for assisting other editorial leaders and supports photographers and other staff members with their responsibilities. She has been successful in

leading the staff in meeting their deadlines with accuracy and competence.

In addition to her dedication to the yearbook Ava is an accomplished performer, athlete and student leader. She participated in Spartan Theatre for four years, including several leading roles and is a member of her church's praise band. Ava has been a key contributor to the success of the soccer, tennis and cheerleading teams. She was selected as a Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership delegate and is a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society and the Bishop Walsh Humanities Honor Society.

Ava is also a student leader in BW Grows, a student run agribusiness at Bishop Walsh School. They use both cutting edge and traditional techniques such as hydroponics, aquaponics and a greenhouse to generate agricultural products for the school and community. She also helps with marketing for the annual plant sale.



*John McGuire*  
**CENTER FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION**

John participated in Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) during his Junior and Senior year at the Center for Career and Technical Education. In his junior year he earned third place in Computer Problem Solving and placed first in Network Design in his senior year. In the summer of 2022 John completed a 6-week paid internship with the Allegany County Government IT Department. He is a straight A student in high school and has all A's in college with the exception of one B.

While attending high school he participated in the Pathways Technology Early College High School (P-TECH) program. As part of the program, he is earning his AAS degree in Computer Technology with a concentration in Cyber Security from Allegany College of Maryland. He will earn his college degree two weeks before graduating from high school. Students in the P-TECH program have the option of extending the program 1 or 2 years beyond high school to allow for more time to complete college classes. He has opted to complete the program at an accelerated pace completing the whole program while in high school.

John also participated in the Fort Hill Marching Band during all four years of high school. Somehow, he still finds time to complete computer work orders for the high school, fix teacher and student laptop issues, Wi-Fi connections and printing. He also installs technology equipment such as projectors and computer labs.



*Kourtney Taylor*  
**MOUNTAIN RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL**

Kourtney is a senior at Mountain Ridge High School. She has completed Document Processing I, AP Psychology, four years of Honors Principles of Biomedical Sciences, as well as Allegany College of Maryland classes: College English 101 and College Speech and Communication. Kourtney is on both the honor roll and the A-B honor roll. She interacts very well with her peers and is a pleasant young lady.

She has been a babysitter since 2018 and a dog sitter since 2020.

Kourtney is planning to attend Frostburg State University in the fall to obtain a degree in Psychology.



*Shannon Lewis*  
**ALLEGANY COLLEGE OF MARYLAND**  
 BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Shannon graduated in December 2022 with an associate degree in business administration and is currently working towards a bachelor's degree with the 3+1 program with Seton Hill. She currently works at Hunter Douglas and began employment with them 18 years ago and has spent most of her tenure as a customer support representative. During COVID she was offered an opportunity for a supervisory role within her department.

Moving slowly into that new role, she found a new passion for her job and wanted to learn more in order to drive and lead within the company. She made a joke to her oldest daughter, who was a student at Allegany College of Maryland at the time, that she was going to enroll in school because they needed softball players. She responded with, "Yes, yes you should. Let's do this, mom." So, she did. And thanks to her, Shannon is enjoying this new chapter more than she thought she would. She started her schooling journey, not quite sure where it would take her but now with support and motivation, she is moving forward and can see that she is capable of achieving great things.

Shannon has five children and over the years, learning to be a good listener and be empathic to each of their unique needs, has given her an edge and allowed her to sharpen her skills as a leader. Her leadership style allows her to be empathic to the members of her team, while also allowing them to be in charge of their individual journeys. Shannon has volunteered with the AYEPS (Allegany Youth Enrichment Program) program in Cumberland, Maryland and holds a lemonade stand each year during Lemonade Days in June to support Alex's Lemonade Stand, an organization that supports research finding a cure for childhood cancer.

As she works through her course work and towards more degrees, she hopes to advance her career within Hunter Douglas. Shannon is not sure where each day is going to take her next but is grateful for the opportunities that Allegany College of Maryland has afforded her. Shannon has also started to research the possibility of working towards her master's degree and possibly a doctorate.



*Marcus Folk*  
**ALLEGANY COLLEGE OF MARYLAND**  
 BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Marcus graduated in Fall 2022 with a degree in Business Administration. His GPA was 3.8. Marcus is a passionate, hardworking, and driven business professional. After graduating from Allegany College of Maryland, he started his career at Chaney-Buskirk Insurance. This experience has taught him how to build a successful sales pipeline while building meaningful relationships with his clients.

He is fascinated by intelligent value-based investment. His ultimate employment goal is to advise clients how to invest in an intelligent manner that will build generational wealth for them and their families.



*Allison Schmuck*  
**ALLEGANY COLLEGE OF MARYLAND**  
 BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Allison will graduate this spring with a degree in Business Administration. Her overall GPA is 3.8. After graduation, she plans on attending West Virginia University to continue her studies in Agribusiness. She plans on owning her own business as well as continuing to work on and advance her family's farm.

Allison is an active member of FFA, where she has been her school Chapter president and secretary. She received her chapter FFA degrees as well as her State FFA degree (in PA it's called the Keystone Degree). Along with FFA, she is also a past member of 4-H where she held numerous offices. In her community, she has taken part in many events, such as holding a toy/food drive for the local humane society for dogs and cats. During the holidays Allison helped the Salvation Army with bell ringing and packing operational Christmas Child shoe boxes as well as gathering donations.



*Kole Morgan*  
**FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY**  
 DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING

In May 2023 Kole will graduate from Frostburg State University with a bachelor's degree in accounting with a minor in business administration. He currently has a 3.85 cumulative GPA. He maintains a commitment to both academics and athletics at Frostburg State University. He is a member of the Men's Cross Country and Track and Field teams.

He served as captain when the men's team received their first All-Academic Team Award. Kole is also president of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and serves as a representative on the University Athletic Advisory Committee. He has been continually involved in the Accounting Association student club as well.

Kole is actively completing a tax internship at Hohing and Lewis, LLC in LaVale, MD. He has been accepted into the University of Maryland as a graduate student pursuing a master's degree in accounting with the hopes of eventually taking the CPA and CFE exams.



*Bradie Moore*  
**FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY**  
 DEPARTMENT OF MARKETING & FINANCE

Bradie is a local, graduating senior with a major in Business Administration, with a concentration in Finance at Frostburg State University. He consistently maintains a spot on the Dean's List for his near-perfect GPA of 3.89. He is currently a package handler with UPS locally. Bradie is an athlete, focusing on baseball. He has earned several highly coveted, competitive scholarships for his academic and athletic accomplishments.

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*Steven Minnick*  
**FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY**  
DEPARTMENT OF MARKETING & FINANCE

Steven is a local, graduating senior in Business Administration with a concentration in Global Business at Frostburg State University. He maintains a 3.25 GPA. He is a member of the FSU Finance Club, where he learned about trading stocks and commodities. He also serves as a peer tutor. Steven works part-time at Hive Group, LLC in Virginia as an operations intern. He is an invited member of the National Society for Leadership and Success.



*Michael Brault*  
**FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY**  
DEPARTMENT OF MARKETING & FINANCE

Michael is a local, graduating senior majoring in Business Administration with a concentration in Marketing at Frostburg State University. He manages a high GPA of 3.7 while taking honors' courses. He is an invited member of the National Society for Leadership and Success. Michael is currently serving as a marketing student-consultant for a local restaurant.



*Cody Boone*  
**FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY**  
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

Cody Boone will graduate in May from Frostburg State University with a major in Economics and a concentration in Business Economics with a minor in Management. He currently has a 3.43 GPA. While at Frostburg State University, Cody has been an active member of the Economics Club and has proven to be a natural leader with a love for the ocean. In 2022, Cody studied abroad

under the program entitled "Semester at Sea" where he visited 14 countries. The program enabled him to experience international cultures, different languages and gain new perspectives on employment opportunities abroad.

In keeping with the ocean-centered theme in his life, Cody has been accepted as a Navy Surface Warfare Officer Candidate and will begin Office Candidate School in July. His training will last for 13 weeks and prepare him for commission as an Officer of the Navy, where his economics background should help him become an effective, analytical leader.



*Makenzi Jenkins*  
**FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY**  
DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT

Makenzi will earn a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration with a concentration in Human Resources Management and a Minor in Industrial Organizational Psychology from Frostburg State University. She has an outstanding 3.593 GPA and has been ever-present on the Dean's list.

Currently she is employed as a Team Leader and Hiring Assistant at Chick-fil-A Queen City Centre in Cumberland and serves as the treasurer for the Frostburg SHRM (Society of Human Resource Management) chapter.

Makenzi exhibits superior academic performance due to her respect for others, insatiable curiosity and effervescent personality. Coupled with exceptional engagement she is a proven classroom leader who constructively challenges her instructors and peers. Makenzi is an intelligent, positive individual who makes things happen. She has the ability and motivation to accomplish whatever she sets out to achieve. After graduation, Makenzi will begin working as a Sales Representative for Breakthru Beverage Group in Western Maryland.



*Bo Schene*  
**FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY**  
MASTERS OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Last year Bo graduated Magna Cum Laude with a 3.9849 GPA from Frostburg State University with a Bachelor of Science degree majoring in Accounting and minoring in both Business Administration and Finance. In May of 2023 he will graduate from FSU's MBA program with a focus in Business Analytics and an astounding 3.889 GPA. His perseverance, intelligence and motivation in the classroom was also seen on

the court as he was a five-year member of the Men's Basketball team where he served as team captain for two years. Bo also served as the team representative on the Student Athletic Advisory Council.

After graduation, he will begin working with the accounting firm, EisnerAmper, in Owings Mills, Maryland. He also hopes to obtain his CPA certification in the near future.

*Congratulations & best of luck to all the  
Outstanding Business Students in their  
future endeavors!*