

Congratulations

TO THE CLASS OF 2023

We've run the numbers – and you are quite the impressive class! Take a look at some of our quick stats about our soon-to-be graduates.



136

Members of the Class of 2023

226

Schools Offering Admission

Students will attend

88

different colleges & universities

The Class of 2023 comes from...

16

Countries

17

States

Students will attend schools in

26

states, DC &

5 countries, including Canada, Hungary, Switzerland & the UK

of students received at least one offer of admission prior to January 1

87%

Most popular states:

New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Massachusetts & North Carolina



78%

of applicants accepted to **Top 50** Colleges/Universities

Scholars, Artists & Athletes

100+

Merit Scholarships Received, including:

3 Morrill Scholars
The Ohio State University

Presidential Scholar
University of Richmond

Chancellor's Science Scholar
UNC - Chapel Hill

Trustee Distinguished Scholar
Rice University

John F. Oberlin Scholarship
Oberlin College

Victors Award
University of Michigan

Achievers Scholarship
Howard University

Redhawk Excellence Scholarship
Miami University of Ohio

National Recognition

2 National Merit Scholarship Finalists

3 Presidential Scholar Candidates

7 National Merit Commended Students

32

committed athletes across Div. I, II and III including the Ivy League, NESCAC and Big 10 conferences

in seven different sports

basketball

lacrosse

soccer

swimming

wrestling

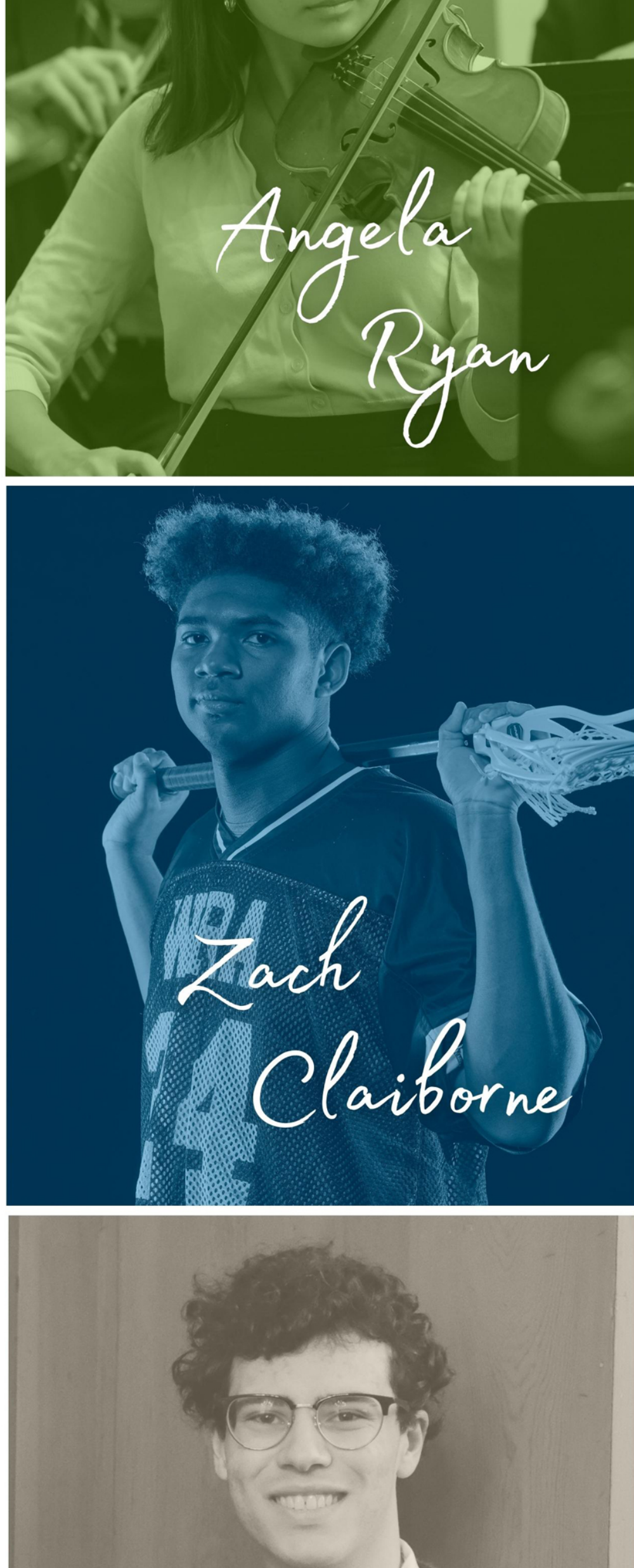
fencing

track & field

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WHAT A CLASS!

Below, we profiled just a few Pioneers from this unforgettable class of scholars, competitors, thespians, advocates, documentarians, leaders and much, much more!



Angela Ryan

Hails from: Hudson, Ohio

Heading to: The Ohio State University

Angela is everywhere, in all the best ways, wearing an optimism on her face that's infectious. She's a musician, actress, Chief Ambassador, captain of the WRA Riflery team and among the few students on campus to complete the full suite of Cancer Immunology courses. When she wasn't busy achieving white coat status, Angela produced a documentary film on the philosophy behind the creation and use of the atomic bomb, and was one of two WRA students hand picked to work alongside graduate students and professors at The University of Akron Polymer Lab. It seems there is nothing this young woman can't do: The Ohio State University will be the next stage she graces.

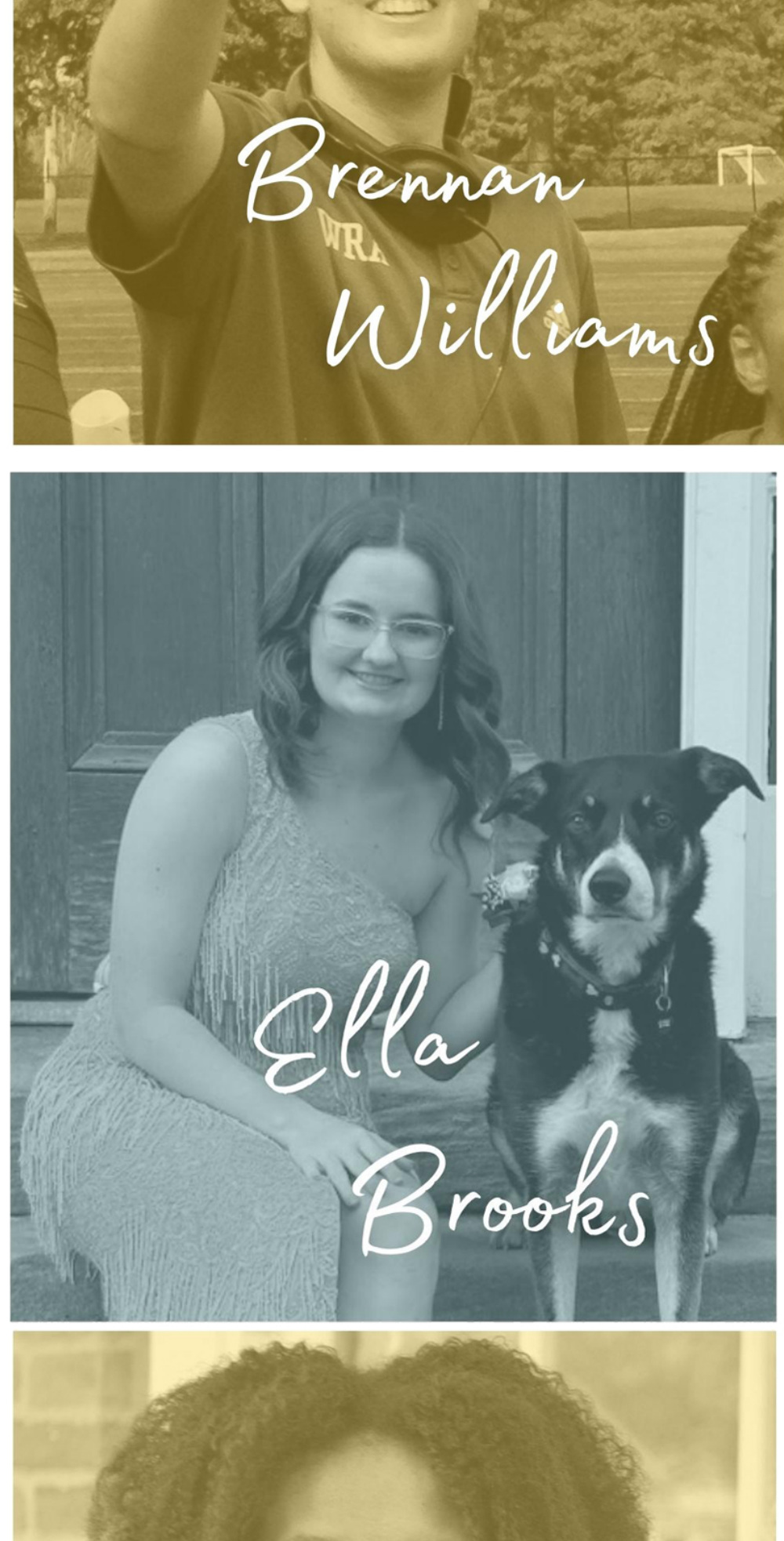


Zach Claiborne

Hails from: Rolling Meadows, Illinois

Heading to: Johns Hopkins University

WRA sits on a sprawling 190 acres, but Zach's presence and personality makes campus feel close and welcoming. He's an exceptional lacrosse player – captaining our nationally ranked Varsity Boys program – and the first to celebrate his teammates' wins on and off the field. Among his many personal successes are the contributions Zach made to our DEI Committee and Chief Ambassador corps for the Admission Office. He loves math, business, and any opportunity to showcase his critical thinking skills, and will attend Johns Hopkins University to study business and play lacrosse.



Matthew Hernandez

Hails from: North Bergen, New Jersey

Heading to: Connecticut College

Any distance runner knows that the sport requires mental and physical toughness, and Matthew exhibits both. A captain of the Boys Cross Country team, his discipline extends to his studies and his commitment to making a difference on campus. He is a prefect in North Hall, a Captain of the Boys Cross Country team, a member of Latinos Unidos and is integral to the DEI and Student Leadership Committees on campus. As a student whose strong mind and spirit have enriched campus, it's only fitting that he'll study Psychology at Connecticut College this fall.



Jordanne Nichols

Hails from: Oswego, Illinois

Heading to: Cornell University

The role of Student Body Co-President brings an unspoken expectation of grit, grace and poise, and Jordanne exhibits each in ways that seem effortless, but are the result of deep determination. On the track and across campus, she is a force: her relay team has broken multiple records, she voraciously pursues coursework that feeds a hunger to learn more about social justice and diversity, and she is the president of the Black Student Union. Jordanne will attend Cornell University in the fall, and we only hope that over her lifetime, she will always race back to Reserve, only extending her impact.

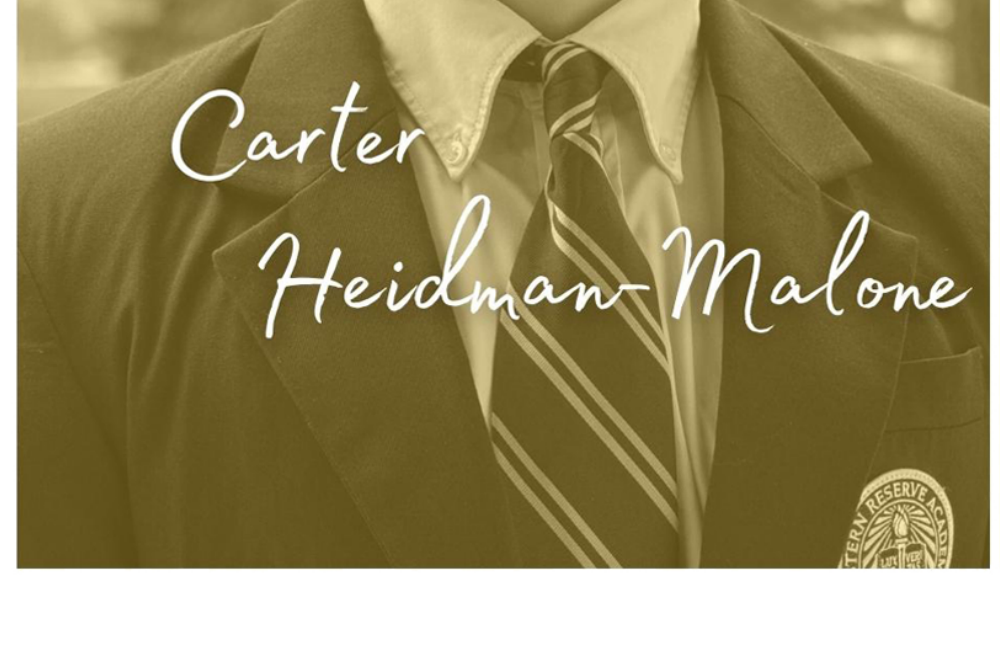


Ella Brooks

Hails from: Prophetstown, Illinois

Heading to: California Polytechnic State University

Ella, the director of the Illinois Junior Angus Association Board, grew up competing cattle in shows around the country. She won the Reserve Champion Division I Junior Heifer Calf in the Angus ROV Super Point Show, an accomplishment for which she earned the title Illinois Junior Angus Ebonette. On campus, Ella was a prefect, member of Model UN, Yearbook Club, the Reserve Christian Fellowship, and the Varsity Softball and Volleyball teams. Her wealth of experience will steer her to California Polytechnic State University at San Luis Obispo to study architecture in their honors program.



Sheilla Muligande

Hails from: Côte d'Ivoire

Heading to: Grinnell College

Sheilla shines by helping those in need. At home in Côte d'Ivoire, she volunteers with the NGO CavoEquiva, with whom she fights the exploitation of young girls. In her internship with the Pasteur Institute, she researched harmful food pathogens like Salmonella, Listeria and E Coli. Service is central to Sheilla's DNA: she is a member of Junior Leadership Hudson, the WRA Service Leaders and serves as a guide to younger girls as a dorm prefect. This fall she'll attend Grinnell College and pursue a career that continues her trajectory of helping others: biology, epidemiology and global health.

Yufei "Alex" Wu

Hails from: Hong Kong

Heading to: Columbia University

Jazz, and life, are part precision and part improvisation. Alex Wu brings the best of both to bear: a disciplined, standout scholar and gifted creative engine. President of the Jazz Club and recipient of the Kurdziel Award for Excellence in Music, he also leads the Mandarin Club, running WRA's long standing Lunar New Year celebration. Alex is also a prefect as well as a Student Listener, working with the Counseling & Psychological Services Office to provide counseling sessions for other students. Alex will attend Columbia University in the fall, where he will study psychology and music – against the busy, textured beat of New York City.

Marianna Jocas

Hails from: North Canton, Ohio

Heading to: Barnard College

Marianna is passionate about social justice and women's rights, enriching all corners of campus with her thoughts and actions. She won the 2022 Princeton University Book Award and placed third in Ohio's Senior Individual Documentary Film Division during National History Day. At Barnard this fall, Marianna will study cognitive science, a fascinating exploration of thought, learning and mental organization that draws on aspects of psychology, linguistics, philosophy and computer modeling. It's a well-rounded brain's playground, perfect for a young woman who contributed greatly and globally on campus.

Carter Heidman-Malone

Hails from: Medina, Ohio

Heading to: University of Notre Dame

You know a high school student must be headed for a business major when his summer activities include attending a Duke University program titled, The Sustainable CEO: Transformative Business Leadership. But sustainable leadership is about far more than pushing profits: it encompasses a deep commitment to ethics, service and responsibility toward others. Carter has embraced all of these things during his time at WRA, serving as a Pioneer Leader, participating in Junior Leadership Hudson, showing off campus to visitors as a Chief Ambassador and pursuing College Level coursework to prepare for a future in ethical entrepreneurship. All of it caught the eye and admiration of the University of Notre Dame, where he'll study business this fall.