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Suzanne Stell, M., Ed., CALT

From the Executive Director to the Class of 2020

***“Everyone has to face obstacles. Everybody has to face hurdles.
It’s what you do with those that determines how successful you’re going to be.”***

Craig Sager

I congratulate our 71 seniors who comprise the Class of 2020. You are unique in the history of Shelton School. First, because there’s simply no other meshed group of individuals that has your collective profile. Second, you are the last class to graduate from our beloved Ward Campus, home of so many

wonderful relationships and experiences. You will be the last class of seniors to claim it as your home. Third, how could you not be unique this year, particularly with your last three months of school—nothing will ever compare to your experience.

Your class quote above, chosen long before the arrival and impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, resonates even more loudly today. Starting March 13, the lives of everyone in our school community changed. School was no more the way we knew it, nor was life at large. Together, we gathered courage, pivoted, and faced the many obstacles of how to keep going. We did school differently. You Sheltoned-in-place and were virtual students for the remainder of the academic year. As seniors, you dealt with the loss of several longstanding graduation traditions in-person as a group. But you rose to the occasion and pivoted to make things happen a different way. Together, we revised some traditions that proved so fun and creative, we’ll probably

repeat them, e.g., virtual banquets, a drive-by Shred Day, senior yard signs delivered by teachers to your homes, and decorating your caps for today’s unique commencement ceremony.

We are gathered today on athletic fields. Athletes who do high hurdles hone their skills at running and jumping over obstacles with more efficiency and speed. They learn how to go farther with the energy they have. That’s what you all have done as a senior class. You will remember the experience of your last months at Shelton, including today’s event, for the rest of your lives. I hope you will confidently use some of your new problem-solving and team-building skills as you leave Shelton and go your separate ways. With your many accomplishments, you will go far.

Shelton was founded by people who recognized a need to deliver education differently for its students. You were called on to do things differently as seniors this year. Your teachers and I are so proud of what you have done, and we’ll always remember the Class of 2020 for embracing a challenge and re-envisioning a new path.

Keep doing things *the Shelton Way*. With resiliency, innovation and courage—all qualities you have so recently again exhibited—you will have a bright future. With your stamina and spirit, you’ll clear future hurdles. On behalf of the entire Shelton community, we celebrate this day with you and send you off with our best wishes.

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Valedictorian

Fiona Dorward

Fiona Dorward has attended Shelton since the first grade. In high school, she has participated in the National Honor Society, the Photography Club, and in Shelton Theatre.

Fiona will attend St. John's College in Annapolis. At the heart of St. John's College undergraduate program is a liberal arts curriculum focused on the most important books and ideas of Western civilization. Following a reading list that includes many Great Books, all classes are conducted seminar-style, with faculty facilitating the discussion. St. John's liberal arts undergraduate program is a comprehensive education that is one of the most rigorous in America. Upon college graduation, Fiona would like to become a college professor.

"Shelton has been a safety net that allowed me to try new things and follow my passions without fear of falling."

Salutatorian

Josie Hostin

Josie Hostin has attended Shelton since 2011. In high school, she has been involved with many clubs and activities, including Student Council, Choir, Quiz Bowl, Literature Magazine, and Theatre. She was an officer for Chargers for Change, and served as President for National Honor Society for the 2019-2020 year. She received an Award of Excellence her junior year and has won multiple art awards, most notably regional gold for the Texas Visual Arts Scholastic Event art competition. She has also received numerous gold medals on the regional and state level from singing competitions.

Josie has been accepted into the Brown University / Rhode Island School of Design five-year dual degree program. She will graduate with a BA from Brown and a BFA from RISD. This program will allow Josie to pursue her academic goals at Brown and continue her art studies at RISD. She is looking at concentrating in Cognitive Neuroscience and Illustration.

"Shelton has given me the opportunity to harness my talents, while fostering a newfound love and curiosity for knowledge. I feel deeply indebted to the Shelton community for all the opportunities they have provided me. The Shelton School and all my teachers were instrumental in helping me reach my goals. I could not have done it without them. Shelton transformed doubts into self-confidence and hesitancy into self-advocacy. The skills I developed taught me how to overcome my challenges and I believe they will serve me well in the future. Thank you for a wonderful nine years!"





Order of Commencement Graduation

Welcome	Dany Demashkiah Class of 2020
Musical Selections	Shelton Upper School Band
National Anthem	Josie Hostin Salutatorian, Class of 2020
Invocation	Sami Roberts Student Council President 2019-2020
Remarks	Suzanne Stell Executive Director
Remarks	Jenny Cheatham Head of Upper School
Looking Forward	Fiona Dorward Valedictorian, Class of 2020 Dr. Samantha Franklin Shelton Upper School Physics Faculty
Awarding of Diplomas	Suzanne Stell Board President, Gary L. Webb Jenny Cheatham, Zac Ladd, Carol Yartym, Joyce Pickering
Changing of the Tassel	Fiona Dorward
Shelton Alma Mater	Josie Hostin
Benediction	Josie Hostin
Musical Selections	Shelton Upper School Band

2020

Shelton Graduates

Madelyn Elise Bain	Grace Porter Gordon	Luke Wayne Nix
William Dunbar Balthrope	Isabella Rose Grant	Davis Martin Parkhurst
Naman Bhushan	Jack Calabrese Grob	Ronak Dhiren Patel
Bryan Douglas Bloomfield-Castellanos	Matthew Spencer Halbeisen	Westin Jacob Pitlik
Tyler Zane Bolin	Hannah Jean Harmon	Max Harrington Ralston
Timothy William Bond	Samario Jo'Wayne Henderson Boyd	Lucie Qlanmei Ridgeway
Langston Alexander Boyd	Hanna Jane Henderson	Alexandra Grace Riley
Blake Prescott Brady	Harper Marquerite Hinds	Roman Joseph Rivera
Kara Elizabeth Calhoun	Haven Maesie Hinds	Samantha Rae Roberts
Katherine Elizabeth Clay	Kyndall Ann Hodgson	Benjamin Louis Rodrigue
Haven Kavell Cole	Josephine Gayle Hostin	Katherine Ann Rogers
Joseph Michael Ray D'Ambrosio	Fredrick Darrell Johnson, Jr.	Jackson Robert Schneider
Landon Jennings Davis	Lindsay Rose Kaplan	Madeline Seatvet
Lucas Stubbs Davis	Garrett Asher Kembel	Hannah Elizabeth Sedwick
Dany Nuhad Demashkiah	Samuel Thomas Korman	Daniel Whittingham Stansbury
Fiona Grace Dorward	Ethan Gunnar Korpinen	Eli David Stitt
Natalie Nichole Eaddy	Miles Leland Lipshy	Matthew Charles Strickland
Zoe Reese Evangelist	Darrian Lowe	Nicholas Minh-Thang Tran
Lily Anne Finetto	Lane Thomas Mantzey	John Keller Webster
Darcy Beth Fisher	Matthew Ross Mattison	Mark T. Williams, Jr.
Ryan Wagner Forbus	Arianna Devia McGarity	John Stackhouse Wilson
Julia Christine Genovese	Carli Ann Michelsen	Jackson Speed Young
Mia Faye Suzanne Goldberg	Eve Lauren Miller	Joseph Daniel Zasa
Ella MacKenzie Goodwin	Nathaniel James Nisbett	

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Timothy William Bond



Langston Alexander Boyd



Blake Prescott Brady



Kara Elizabeth Calhoun



Katherine Elizabeth Clay



Haven Kavell Cole



*Joseph Michael Ray
D'Ambrosio*



Landon Jennings Davis



Lucas Stubbs Davis



Dary Nuhad Demashkiah



Fiona Grace Dorward



Natalie Nichole Eaddy



Zoe Reese Evangelist



Lily Anne Finetto



Darcy Beth Fisher



Ryan Wagner Forbus



*Julia Christine
Genovese*



*Mia Faye Suzanne
Goldberg*



*Ella MacKenzie
Goodwin*



Grace Porter Gordon



Isabella Rose Grant



Jack Calabrese Grob



*Matthew Spencer
Halbeisen*



Hannah Jean Harmon



*Samario Jo'Wayne
Henderson Boyd*



Hanna Jane Henderson



Harper Marquerite Hinds



Haven Maesie Hinds



Kyndall Ann Hodgson



Josephine Gayle Hostin



*Fredrick Darrell
Johnson, Jr.*



Lindsay Rose Kaplan



Garrett Asher Kembel



Samuel Thomas Korman



Ethan Gunnar Korpinen



Miles Leland Lipsky



Darrian Lowe



Lane Thomas Mantzey



Matthew Ross Mattison



Arianna Devia McGarity



Carli Ann Michelsen



Eve Lauren Miller



Nathaniel James Nisbett



Luke Wayne Nix



Ronak Dhiren Patel



Westin Jacob Pitlik



Max Harrington Ralston



Lucie Qlanmei Ridgeway



Alexandra Grace Riley



Roman Joseph Rivera



Samantha Rae Roberts



Benjamin Louis Rodrigue



Katherine Ann Rogers



Jackson Robert Schneider



Madeline Seatvet



*Hannah Elizabeth
Sedwick*



*Daniel Whittingham
Stansbury*



Eli David Stitt



*Matthew Charles
Strickland*



*Nicholas Minh-Thang
Tran*



John Keller Webster



Mark T. Williams, Jr.



John Stackhouse Wilson



Jackson Speed Young



Joseph Daniel Zasa

Class of 2020 College Acceptances

The following is a list of colleges and universities where the Class of 2020 Shelton graduates have been accepted. We salute our graduates as they embark upon their future educational endeavors.

Abilene Christian University	Houston Baptist University	Sam Houston State University
University of Alabama at Birmingham	University of Houston	Savannah College of Art and Design
University of Alabama	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Sewanee: The University of the South
Arizona State University	Indiana University at Bloomington	Smith College
The University of Arizona	The University of Iowa	Southeast Missouri State University
University of Arkansas	University of Kansas	Southern Methodist University
Auburn University	University of Kentucky	Southwestern University
Austin College	Kenyon College	Spring Hill College
Bard College	Lamar University	St. Edward's University
Baylor University	Louisiana State University	St. Francis Xavier University
Beacon College	Loyola University New Orleans	St. John's College
Berklee College of Music	Lynn University	Stephen F. Austin State University
Brown University	University of Mary Hardin-Baylor	Syracuse University
Butler University	University of Maryland, Baltimore County	The University of Tampa
California Lutheran University	Marymount Manhattan College	Texas A&M University
Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo	Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts	Texas A&M University- Kingsville
Chapman University	McKendree University	Texas Christian University
College of Charleston	Michigan State University	Texas State University
Clemson University	University of Minnesota- Twin Cities	Texas Tech University
Collin College	University of Mississippi	Texas Wesleyan University
University of Colorado at Boulder	Missouri Southern State University	The University of Texas at Arlington
Colorado State University	Missouri State University	The University of Texas at Austin
Dallas Baptist University	University of Missouri- Columbia	The University of Texas at Dallas
Dean College	Montclair State University	The University of Texas at Permian Basin
Defiance College	University of Nevada- Las Vegas	The University of Texas at San Antonio
University of Delaware	University of New Mexico	The University of Texas at Tyler
University of Denver	University of North Texas	The Art Institute of Dallas
DePaul University	University of Northern Colorado	The New School
Drake University	Northwest Florida State College	Trinity University
Drexel University	Oklahoma State University	Tufts University
Elon University	University of Oklahoma	University of Tulsa
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	University of Oregon	Valparaiso University
Emerson College	Pace University, New York City	Vassar College
Emory and Henry College	Penn State University	Virginia Tech
Florida College	University of Pittsburgh	University of Washington- Seattle
University of Florida	Purdue University	West Texas A&M University
University of Georgia	Queens University of Charlotte	Western Kentucky University
Gonzaga University	Rhode Island School of Design	Whitman College
Grayson College	Rhodes College	William Paterson University of New Jersey
Hardin-Simmons College	Richmond, The American International	University of Wyoming
High Point University	University in London	

Merit Scholarships

2004-2005 \$344,000	2007-2008 \$272,000	2010-2011 \$415,000	2013-2014 \$2,098,100	2016-2017 \$4,521,869	2019-2020 \$4,483,064
2005-2006 \$244,000	2008-2009 \$622,550	2011-2012 \$936,000	2014-2015 \$2,072,400	2017-2018 \$6,464,066	
2006-2007 \$333,000	2009-2010 \$283,000	2012-2013 \$4,686,100	2015-2016 \$4,298,070	2018-2019 \$5,856,028	

Shelton National Honor Society

Senior Members

Madelyn Bain	Izzy Grant	Westin Pitlik
Bryan Bloomfield-Castellanos	Harper Hinds	Max Ralston
Katie Clay	Haven Hinds	Lucie Ridgeway
Dany Demashkiah	Kyndall Hodgson	Alexandra Riley
Fiona Dorward	Josie Hostin	Roman Rivera
Natalie Eaddy	Lindsay Kaplan	Sami Roberts
Zoe Evangelist	Garrett Kembel	Benjamin Rodrigue
Ryan Forbus	Sam Korman	Matt Strickland
Julia Genovese	Miles Lipshy	Eli Stitt
Mia Goldberg	Lane Mantzey	Jack Webster
Ellie Goodwin	Eve Miller	JD Zasa
Gracie Gordon	Ronak Patel	



The National Honor Society (NHS) is the nation's premier organization established to recognize outstanding high school students. More than just an honor roll, NHS serves to honor those students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service and character, and who have achieved a grade point average of 93. These characteristics have been associated with membership in the organization since its beginning in 1921.

Loyalty Award

The Loyalty Award goes to seniors who have attended Shelton for 10 years or more.

10 years

Darcy Fisher
Ryan Forbus
Harper Hinds
Haven Hinds
Ethan Korpinen
Lane Mantzey
Ronak Patel
Nick Tran

11 years

Dany Demashkiah
Sam Korman
Miles Lipshy
Arianna McGarity
Roman Rivera
Kate Rogers

12 years

Joey D'Ambrosio
Luke Davis
Fiona Dorward
Hanna Henderson

13 years

William Balthrope
Eve Miller

14 years

Tim Bond
Nate Nisbett
Ben Rodrigue

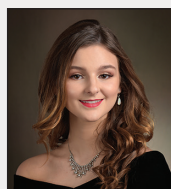
Shelton Top Ten Graduates

This is the third year to recognize our top ten Shelton graduates. We recognize the many overall accomplishments of these seniors, and we are especially proud to note their academic success.

Our Top Ten seniors were announced in an earlier virtual awards ceremony. A blue and white cord will be worn by our Top Ten seniors with their cap and gown.



Fiona Dorward
Valedictorian



Josie Hostin
Salutatorian



Natalie Eaddy



Ryan Forbus



Harper Hinds



Lindsay Kaplan



Garrett Kembel



Lane Mantzey



Samantha
Roberts



Benjamin
Rodrigue

Award of Excellence

This award recognizes students who have shown a generosity of spirit and have consistently helped fellow students and teachers. These recipients exhibit excellence in their schoolwork, attitude, choices and support of others. They have also fulfilled their academic responsibilities and have not received any behavior detentions during the nine-week period.

Senior Award of Excellence Recipients

Naman Bhushan	Fiona Dorward	Hanna Henderson	Josie Hostin	Lane Mantzey	Alexandra Riley
Langston Boyd	Natalie Eaddy	Samario	Lindsay Kaplan	Matthew Mattison	Roman Rivera
Kara Calhoun	Ryan Forbus	Henderson Boyd	Garrett Kembel	Eve Miller	Sami Roberts
Katie Clay	Julia Genovese	Harper Hinds	Sam Korman	Ronak Patel	Jack Wilson
Landon Davis	Mia Goldberg	Haven Hinds	Ethan Korpinen	Max Ralston	JD Zasa
Dany Demashkiah	Hannah Harmon	Kyndall Hodgson	Miles Lipshy	Lucie Ridgeway	

Senior Award of Excellence Hall of Fame

Induction into the Award of Excellence Hall of Fame indicates the student has received the Award of Excellence twice during High School.

Award of Excellence Hall of Fame Members

Kara Calhoun
Sam Korman
Lane Mantzey
Ronak Patel

Senior Hall of Fame recipients are wearing gold cords to recognize having received the Award of Excellence twice during high school.



Shelton School Alma Mater

Shelton School, we sing to you
And lift our voices high.
We'll take to heart the things you've taught
And use them throughout life.

Our faith and hope will see us through
As we go our separate ways.
And there'll always be fond memories
Of our Shelton days.

~ James Larry Thompson

Mission Statement

Shelton on a mission
a school and resource center dedicated to
— making a difference —
by serving and empowering the lives of
— students who learn differently —
Because Not All Great Minds Think Alike

Vision Statement

— a world model of education —
for
— individuals who learn differently —
through
Education - Evaluation - Therapy
Research - and - Outreach

Shelton Alumni Association – Graduation 2020

Shelton Alumni Association welcomes you as the newest class of members.
We want you to stay connected to the place that gave you the tools to succeed.

The purpose of the Alumni Association is to encourage the interest and loyalty of alumni of Shelton School and foster connections between alumni and the school.
We support and help further Shelton's mission and vision statements of the school.
Shelton Alumni Association is your liaison between the school and all former students.

**We hope that you will stay connected, renew old friendships,
begin new ones, and GET INVOLVED!**

For more alumni information,
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