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College of Health, Education,
and Human Sciences

Class of 2025

School of Education
Pinning Ceremony

Tuesday, December 2, 2025TM

UAFS School of Education's mission is to ensure every teacher candidate is "Day-One Ready" so all learners achieve their greatest potential.

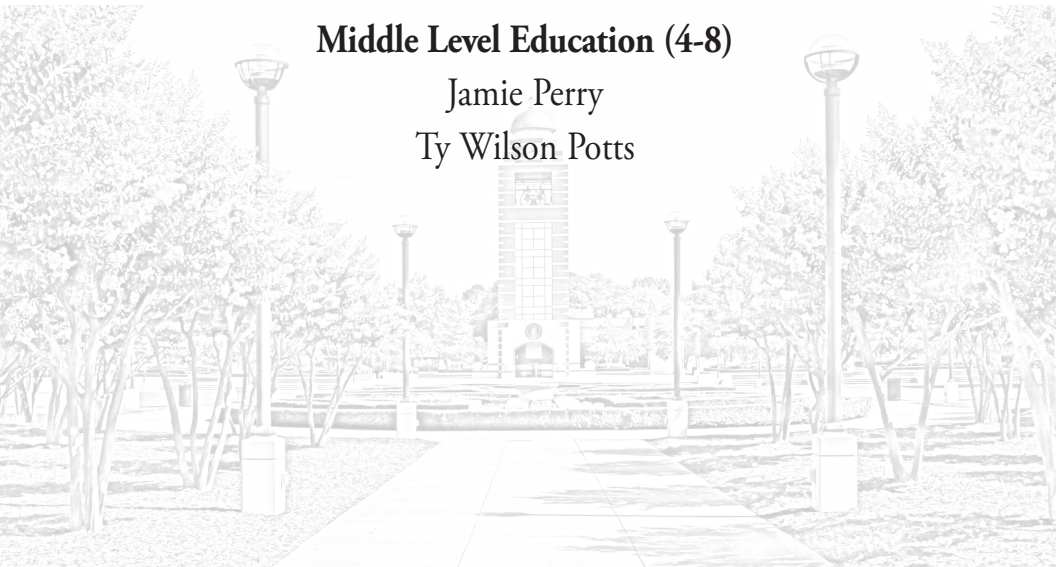
Graduating Class of 2025

Elementary Education (K-6)

Cecilia Diaz Lozano
Madison Fortner
Amber Renee Gentry
Taylor Horn Fuller
Mallory Howard
Sarah Ramirez-McCarty
Jaiden Morin
Tara Nix Hewett
Ashleigh Paige Owens
Erin Sprecher
Veronica Vargas
Alexa Kaite Vera
Courtney Wear

Middle Level Education (4-8)

Jamie Perry
Ty Wilson Potts



Graduating Class of 2025 (cont.)

**Music Education -
Instrumental (K-12)**

Dylan Richmond
Tommy Thavonekham

Music Education - Vocal (K-12)

Caleb Michael Bivins
Sally Olson

Secondary - English with Teacher Licensure (7-12)

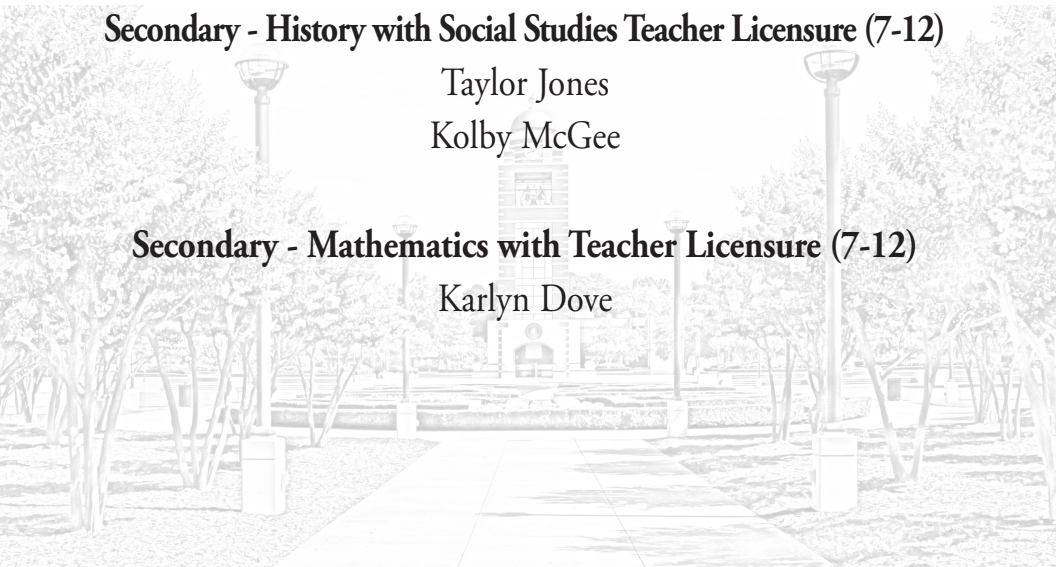
Eden Star Akins
Jorgi Love Anderson
Ashlyn Childers
Katie Ann Johnson
Maddalena Overturf

Secondary - History with Social Studies Teacher Licensure (7-12)

Taylor Jones
Kolby McGee

Secondary - Mathematics with Teacher Licensure (7-12)

Karlyn Dove



Pinning Ceremony

Welcome

Dr. Kendra Abel

Recognition of Guests

Dr. Leigh Anne Carter

Alumni Speaker

Angela Stout

Address to Graduates

Dr. Dean Cantù

Introduction of Awards

Dr. Kendra Abel
Dr. Leigh Anne Carter

Presentation of Pins

Dr. Kendra Abel

Alumni Presentation

Jasmine Smith

Commitment to Education

Dr. Leigh Anne Carter

Commitment to Education

I pledge myself to education in the state of Arkansas. I am dedicated to inspiring and impacting Arkansas's students through a student-focused education. I am committed to the students of Arkansas, the teaching profession, and the future of education in my state.

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Dr. Janet Jahn	Dr. David Tyson
Dr. Ben Lawson	Dr. Camille Wheeler
Dr. Cheryl Lehman	

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Dr. Dean Cantù, Dean - College of Health, Education, and Human Sciences
Dr. Kendra Abel, Interim Executive Director - School of Education

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