



BAY MILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

COMMENCEMENT

2022

FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2022 | 10:30 AM

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*Bay Mills Community College,
The Board of Regents, and the
Graduating Class of 2022
Welcome you to
Commencement*

***Friday, May 13, 2022
at 10:30 a.m.***

*Michael C. Parish Administration Center
Lower Level, Adikameg Hall
Brimley, Michigan*

2022 GRADUATION | ORDER OF CEREMONIES

PROCESSIONAL.....	Mike Willis
INVOCATION.....	Dwight Teeple
MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT.....	Duane A. Bedell
COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS.....	Whitney Gravelle
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS.....	Duane Bedell
STUDENT BODY ADDRESS.....	Crimson Lewis and Cole Brehm
HONOR SONG.....	Mike Willis and MZ Thomas
PRESENTATION OF DEGREES.....	Samantha Cameron
BENEDICTION.....	Dwight Teeple
RECESSIONAL.....	Mike Willis and MZ Thomas
ANNOUNCER.....	Tenniel McLeod

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COLOR GUARD

DWIGHT TEEPLE.....	Eagle Staff
JACQUES LEBLANC, JR.....	Community Flag
WALT PARISH.....	American Flag
WALT LYONS.....	Canadian Flag
JIM LEBLANC.....	POW/MIA Flag

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Boozhoo, Class of 2022,

Congratulations on your achievement! All of us at BMCC are very proud of you. We are excited to see what you will accomplish after you leave BMCC.

Today, you join 1,509 BMCC alumni! Your hard work, sacrifices, and dedication to your education led you to accomplish your educational goal of graduating. I am sure you will continue to succeed in any endeavor you decide to pursue. The lesson of learning how to balance your academic, personal, and professional life will help you continue to be successful. Everyone at BMCC is excited for you!

I am very excited and proud of your accomplishment! I hope that you will be successful in whatever endeavors you decide to pursue. Finally, remember that your BMCC Family will always be in your corner!

Gichi-apiitendaa gwad (Congratulations!)
Minawaa giga-waabamin (I'll see you again)

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Duane A. Bedell".

Duane A. Bedell
President

MESSAGE FROM THE VP OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS



Boozhoo,

Today we celebrate the graduates of 2022! Shtaataahaa!

Graduates, through hard work and long hours of studying, countless quizzes and assignments, your efforts have earned this day of honor and achievement. Balancing school, family, and work is no easy feat, but you did it! All of us at BMCC are very proud of what you have accomplished. We hope that as you continue to seek out challenges, overcome adversity, and continue to grow in your life, you will look back on this experience at BMCC and draw confidence from the knowledge that you set your goals and accomplished them.

Congratulations Graduates! It has been an honor to be a part of your educational journey!

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Samantha Jackson Cameron".

Samantha Jackson Cameron
Vice President of Academic Affairs

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

WHITNEY GRAVELLE | PRESIDENT | BAY MILLS INDIAN COMMUNITY (BMIC)



Whitney Gravelle is a citizen of the Bay Mills Indian Community “Gnoozhekaaning” (*Place of the Pike*) in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. After graduating from Michigan State University College of Law in 2016 with a Juris Doctorate and a certificate from the Indigenous Law Program, Whitney worked for the Department of Justice with the Environment and Natural Resource Division in the Indian Resource Section, where she worked on cases related to the scope of tribal lands and jurisdiction, treaty rights, and the protection of lands held in trust for tribes and individual Indian lands. Whitney has also served as Chief Judge of Bay Mills Tribal Court where she worked on transforming restorative justice within her community, and again as In-House Counsel and attorney for Bay Mills Indian Community where she works on a variety of legal issues that impact Indian Country, including the Indian Child Welfare Act. Currently, Whitney serves as President of the Executive Council on behalf of Bay Mills Indian Community; and sits as a commissioner on the Michigan Women’s Commission and the Michigan Advisory Council on Environmental Justice.

2022 STUDENTS OF THE YEAR



Crimson Lewis has been selected as the American Indian College Fund's Student of the Year and Cole Brehm has been selected as BMCC's Student of the Year. Both were nominated by their instructors based on their GPA, ability to overcome challenges, and community involvement while attending BMCC.

Lewis, a resident of Pickford, hopes to be a physician’s assistant in the future. She attributes her success at BMCC to the small class sizes and instructors that are willing to go the extra mile to help students. “My professors are always willing to help and stay late to make sure all of us as students understand,” said Lewis. “I feel confident in my skills acquired at Bay Mills Community College. I'm looking forward to continuing my education to reach my educational goals at a graduate university.” Throughout her studies, Lewis has worked closely with Science Dept. Chair Diana McKenzie, who has no doubt Lewis will be successful. “Crimson's dedication and perseverance has shown through in her academic work. She's unafraid to use campus resources and is a mentor to her peers,” she said.

Brehm has also made a positive impression on the staff at BMCC. Not only is Brehm studying at BMCC, but he has been employed as the student worker/administrative assistant in the president’s office. “Cole has been a pleasure to work with. He is driven, detail oriented, and always up to a challenge. Cole's determination to excel in his studies and the workplace will allow him to succeed on any path he chooses,” said Samantha Schroeder, executive assistant to the president. Brehm plans to transfer to Lake Superior State University, where he will major in engineering. He spends his free time mentoring the high school robotics team, in addition to photography and writing. “BMCC has helped me by offering online courses, which has enabled me to fit school around my schedule perfectly,” said Brehm. “I also enjoyed the Native American-centric education given by BMCC, as it is very important and often glossed over in other classes.”

2022 GRADUATES

BACHELOR OF ARTS PROGRAM

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Blumenschein, Christine Marie
Hickman, Crystal L.
La Joie, Kirstan M.
Nelson, Taylor Nichole
O'Rourke, Elizabeth Lyn
Tadgerson, Ashley N.
Yellow Boy, Jessica

Covel, PawSay R.
Johnson, Airiana
Lewis, Jennifer
Nichols, Kristina Lynn
Noss, Stephanie Rose
Troop, Kimberly

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE PROGRAMS

COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Bowen, Trinity Aliyah

CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY

Horka, Troy N.
Zeedyk, Joshua

Hough, Nina I.

OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

Cardinal, Cassandra

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS PROGRAMS

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Bell, Elizabeth
Carrick, Dylan
Fillmore, Robert
Kennedy-Mackie, Barbara
Kiczenski, Trisha
Napoletano, Daniel
*Perilloux, Peyton
Shelleby, Shannon
*Tadgerson, Angela M.
Waid, Katrina

Cardinal, Cassandra
Decoteau, Mariah
Freel, Brianna
Keys, Rachel
Maguire, Taylor
Old Elk-East, Monica
Robinson, Loretta
Smith, Karlye
Teeple, Robin W.
Wolkoff, Caroline June

*Candidacy

CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Corrections Emphasis

Hurt, Kandiss

Willis, Mitchell

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Brinkert, Ruth
Chrivia, Angela
Deur, Kristy
Francis, Angela
Johnson, Deanna Lynn
Kjohede, Justice
*McCafferty, Amanda Leigh
Miller, Gwendolyn Marie
*Neely, Kaitlyn J.
Smith, Elizabeth B.
Troop, Kimberly M.
Walker, Mistie

Carsten, Brittany Gale
Cook, Jennifer Ruth
Fegan, Mickayla
Hall, Victoria S.
King, Jennifer Ann
Larson, Rachael Marie
Mead, Madison
Mitch, Phelicia M.
Pugh, Jaime Renee'
Thill, Jennie Marie
*Two Bulls, Martha R.
Wolkoff, Caroline June

EDUCATION

Hunter, Raelynn M.

GENERAL STUDIES

*Carrick, Marcus A.

McClellan, Rebecca R.

HEALTH AND FITNESS

Parish, Lily

LIBERAL ARTS

Stephens II, Thomas J.

NATIVE AMERICAN STUDIES

Carrick, Elizabeth
*LeBlanc, Jalyn R.

Laitinen-Odbert, Erika

SOCIAL SCIENCE

Carr, Chelsea
Jensen, Melissa J.
Maleport, Trenten
Shields, Elizabeth Tina

Carr, Shauna
*MacDougall, Sylina
Miranda, Natalie Virginia

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE PROGRAMS

HEALTH SCIENCE

Goetz, Morgan
Lewis, Crimson

Horka, Lillianna
Miller, Katherine

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

HEALTH SCIENCE

Horka, Lillianna
Lewis, Crimson
Parish, Lily

Leask, Madalyn
Miller, Katherine

MEDICAL OFFICE

Alexander, Nicole R.

MICHIGAN TRANSFER AGREEMENT

Brehm, Cole D.
Carr, Chelsea
Carter, Samuel
Goetz, Jeremy
Keys, Rachel
Leask, Madalyn
Maguire, Taylor
Parish, Lily
Shields, Elizabeth Tina

Cardinal, Cassandra
Carrick, Dylan
Freel, Brianna
Horka, Lillianna
Kiczenski, Trisha
Lewis, Crimson
McClellan, Rebecca R.
Robinson, Loretta
Willis, Mitchell

NATURAL SCIENCE

Carter, Samuel

Dumas, Cort

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETIONS

CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY

Quinn, Luke William

CORRECTIONS

Lovin, Abigail
Smith, Robert

McGruther, Casandra

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Bartlett, Danielle
DeFeyter, Carolyn
Guess, Lynette
Hillier, Christopher
Lopez, Briana
Peake, Cindy
Proudfit, Theresa
Rzanca, Brittany
Shields, Elizabeth Tina
Stoliby, Cathy

Bolanos, Vianey Adriana
Gilbert, Karen
Harmon, Haley
Hoholik, Abbrielle
Mondragon, Jonni
Pickelmann, Millie
Rogers, Amanda
Sego, Sarah
Shields, Violet L.
Vogltanz, Melissa

EMT - SPECIALIST

Clark, Nadine
Powless, Holly

Jere, Amy

MEDICAL CODING & BILLING

Bugg, Alicia C.
Plitz, Carol M.
St. Peter, Madelynn L.

Donnelly, Sarah L.
Stewart, Dyani C.

DIPLOMA

ANISHINAABEMWIN PANE IMMERSION PROGRAM-2 YEAR

Tall Cloud, Maanii

ANISHINAABEMWIN PANE IMMERSION PROGRAM-4 YEAR

Teuthorn, Thomas A.

ANISHINAABEMWIN PANE IMMERSION PROGRAM-6 YEAR

Shenoskey, Steve

Teuthorn, Gwendolyn L.



BAY MILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE MAIN CAMPUS

FULL-TIME FACULTY & DEPARTMENT CHAIRS

Adair, Kathy	<i>Social Science Department Chair</i>
Chugunov, Natalia	<i>General Science</i>
Church, Heather	<i>Office Administration Department Chair</i>
Corey-Spiker, Terri	<i>Criminal Justice Department Chair</i>
Elder, Richard	<i>Liberal Arts Department Chair</i>
Hallai, Tanecia	<i>Exercise Science</i>
Hammock, Sheryl	<i>Early Childhood Education Department Chair</i>
Hutcheson, Jana	<i>Communication Department Chair</i>
Karzon, Michael	<i>Computer Information Systems</i>
Jones, Shannon	<i>Business Administration Department Chair</i>
McKenzie, Diana	<i>General/Health Science Department Chair</i>
Melis, Ildikó	<i>Communication</i>
Miller, Janet	<i>Mathematics Department Chair</i>
Miller, Randy	<i>E. M. T., Paramedic Department Chair</i>
Postma, Tyler	<i>Computer Information Systems Department Chair</i>
Sawaski, James	<i>Mathematics</i>
Skiera, Ryan	<i>Business Administration</i>
Stelzer, Heather	<i>Early Childhood Education</i>
Tassier, Katherine	<i>Education Department Chair</i>
Wellman-Teeple, Michele	<i>Anishinaabemwin Pane Immersion Director</i>
Willis, Michael	<i>Native American Studies Department Chair</i>

ADJUNCT FACULTY – ON-CAMPUS & ONLINE

Adair, John	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Baker, Raymond	<i>Construction</i>
Barrett, Mike	<i>Mathematics</i>
Bartley, Brittany	<i>Exercise Science</i>
Boulette, Leslie	<i>Medical Office</i>
Billet, Cortney	<i>Mathematics</i>
Church, Heather	<i>Education/Office Administration</i>
Clark, Michelle	<i>Communication</i>
Connors, Kathleen	<i>Communication</i>
DeWildt, Lucy	<i>Medical Office</i>
Downey, Monica	<i>Early Childhood Education</i>
Ellis, Larry	<i>Business Administration</i>
Farrow, Jamie	<i>General Science</i>
Galer, Eric	<i>Computer Information Systems</i>
Gidcumb, Bob	<i>Communication</i>
Gravelle, Whitney	<i>Native American Studies</i>
Haines, Deborah	<i>Social Science</i>
Hank, Michelle	<i>Business Administration</i>
Harris, Michael	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Helm, Phyllis	<i>Certified Nurse Aide</i>
Heyrman, Wendy	<i>Education/Early Childhood Education</i>
Hooks, Quatasha	<i>Early Childhood Education</i>
Kangas Otten, Briana	<i>Exercise Science</i>
King, Sandi	<i>Health Science</i>
Kontos, Stephanie	<i>Office Administration</i>
Lawson, Amie	<i>Early Childhood Education</i>

Lamont, Caleb	<i>Communication</i>
LeBlanc, Kathy.....	<i>Native American Studies</i>
Lewis-Hill, Mable	<i>Pane Immersion Program</i>
Matresse, Cathy	<i>Social Science</i>
McKechnie, Destiny	<i>Computer Information Systems</i>
McLeod, Jennifer.....	<i>Native American Studies</i>
McLeod, Tenniel.....	<i>Social Science</i>
Menard, Tiffany	<i>Early Childhood Education</i>
Morley, Laurie.....	<i>Business Administration</i>
Morningstar, Susan	<i>Early Childhood Education</i>
Newland, Erica	<i>Business Administration</i>
O'Connor, Mary	<i>Mathematics</i>
Osawamick, Carla	<i>Native American Studies</i>
Peller, Jill	<i>Social Science</i>
Quinlan, Lena	<i>Communication</i>
Recollet, Shirley	<i>Pane Immersion Program</i>
Reffruschinni, Jeani.....	<i>Office Administration</i>
Riley, Lori	<i>Early Childhood Education</i>
Smith, Valerie.....	<i>Social Science/ Communication</i>
Stayner, Lori.....	<i>Early Childhood Education</i>
Svoboda, Christopher	<i>General Science</i>
Talty, Morgan	<i>Native American Studies/ Communication</i>
Thomas, Vicki.....	<i>Early Childhood Education</i>
Turco, Mike	<i>Mathematics</i>
Vanderpoel, Richard	<i>Emergency Medical Technician</i>
Vann, Kamiesha.....	<i>Early Childhood Education</i>
Voris, Kendra	<i>Computer Information Systems/ Education</i>
Walden, Stacey	<i>Native American Studies</i>
Waybrant, Brody	<i>Communication</i>
Wellman, Sarah	<i>Native American Studies/ Social Science</i>
Wenglikowski, Patti.....	<i>Computer Information Systems</i>
White-Thomas, Shelley.....	<i>Criminal Justice</i>
Wiegand, Julie	<i>Early Childhood Education</i>
Wilson, Debra.....	<i>Computer Information Systems</i>
Wolniakowski, Holly	<i>Business Administration</i>
Woolcocks, Phillip	<i>Emergency Medical Technician</i>

BMCC ADMINISTRATION AND STAFF

Bedell, Duane A.....	<i>President</i>
Cameron, Samantha	<i>Vice President for Academic Affairs</i>
Postma, Laura	<i>Vice President for Business and Finance</i>
Heyrman, Wendy	<i>VP for Student Affairs</i>
Adair, Kathy	<i>Director of Development</i>
Kasper, Chet.....	<i>Chief Information Officer</i>
Walden, Stacey	<i>Human Resources Director</i>
Wanic, Mariah.....	<i>Charter School Director</i>
Yanni, Stephen	<i>Land Grant Director/ Accreditation Liaison Officer</i>
Bedell, Kelly	<i>Student Support Services Specialist</i>
Bergstrom, Tiffany.....	<i>Administrative Assistant to the Financial Aid Director</i>
Carrick, Craig	<i>Human Resources/ Payroll Specialist</i>
Carrick, Serina.....	<i>Grants Accountant</i>

Church, Heather	Assistant Registrar
Clarke, Megan	Library Director
Clor, Brenda	Institutional Research & Data Analyst
Corbiere, Katie	Financial Aid Specialist
Green, Crystal	TRIO/SSS Coach
Halvorsen, Joe	Senior Accountant
Healy, Karol	Land Grant Program Coordinator
Huffman, Tina	Financial Aid Director
Hutchinson, Tyler	General Maintenance
Jahnke, Trinity	Student Services Coordinator
Landreville, Elizabeth	Computer Technician
LeBlanc, Kathleen	Cultural Services Director
LeBlanc, LaTara	Administrative Assistant/Academic Advisor
Lehre, Elaine	Director of Admissions
Lindsay, Justin	Assistant Library Director
McKechnie, Rheanna	Marketing and Recruiting Specialist
McLeod, Tenniel	Director of TRIO/SSS
Mitchell, Betty	Bookkeeper
Munz, Kamalia	General Maintenance
Thomas, Mzzhickkekahbah (MZ)	TRIO/SSS Coach
Parish, Laura	Distance Learning Specialist
Piche, Mindy	Accounting Specialist
Powless, Holly	Policy Analyst & Title IX Coordinator
Schlehuber, Aaron	General Counsel
Schofield Jr., Richard	Maintenance Coordinator
Schofield, Danielle	Student Advising Specialist
Schofield, Sherri	Registrar/Institutional Information Systems Manager
Schroeder, Dylan	General Maintenance
Schroeder, Samantha	Executive Assistant to the President
Shuman, Stephanie	MCAN College Completion Coach
Sparks, Holly	Receptionist and Purchasing Assistant
Sweeten, Michelle	Sustainable Agricultural Educator
Teeple, Wade	Off Campus & Non-Credit Program Coord./Cashier
Voris, Kendra	Director of Distance Learning
Wellman-Teeple, Victoria	IT Systems Engineer
Wilson, Debra	Director of Student Success

BMCC CHARTER SCHOOLS

Carrick, Karen	Compliance Coordinator
Mikolowski, Abigail	Finance Specialist
Tadgerson, Pat	Information Systems Administrator
Tassier, Kathy	Curriculum Specialist
Wanic, Mariah	Director

HEALTH & FITNESS CENTER

Stephan, Amber	Community Health & Fitness Coordinator
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WAISHKEY BAY FARM

Carrick, Dennis	Farm Technician
Jacques, Kathryn	Farm Manager