

Quotes from Seniors

- “Although these precious memories are fun to think about, nothing quite compares to the foundation for my Christian faith that was provided for me from my teachers. I accepted Christ in a Wesleyan kindergarten classroom after listening to Mrs. Stafford talk about Jesus. Wesleyan’s elementary program is responsible for my academic success and spiritual education.” **Hannah Dix** was presented the President’s Award for Academic Excellence and was a member of the Beta Club and National Honor Society. She received the Out-of-state Academic Scholarship from Clemson University. She attends UNC-Chapel Hill.
- “I am aware that a solid foundation is necessary for any strong structure to stand, and believe this has been applied to my life, spiritually and mentally. I have never known an equal to the quality of schooling that I have been blessed enough to acquire, and I know I will never be bestowed with this opportunity again.” **Emily Horton** earned the President’s Award for Academic Excellence and was a member of the Beta Club and National Honor Society. She received the Presidential Scholarship and Administrative Scholarship from Campbell University. She attends Appalachian State University.
- “I’ve talked with friends from other schools about middle school, and from what they told me, no other middle school teachers do it quite like my teachers; and it is for this reason, that I thank you all from the bottom of my heart for shaping me into the young man I am today.” **Riccardo De Cataldo** was awarded the President’s Award for Academic Excellence and was a member of the Beta Club and National Honor Society. He attends High Point University where he received the Presidential Fellows Award and Study Abroad Stipend.
- “I greatly appreciate the effort given by every teacher in every grade for imparting not only your knowledge of various scholastic subjects, but for sharing God’s eternal wisdom regularly in my adolescence. All members of the Middle School faculty, not just teachers, have provided me with a unique learning experience; further solidifying my deep appreciation and gratification to each and every one of you.” **Austin Hooper** received the President’s Award for Academic Excellence and was a member of the Beta Club and National Honor Society. He attends Elon University.
- “The fusion of classroom knowledge and knowledge for living a healthy life is what really sets Wesleyan teachers apart. No teacher at Wesleyan stops at being a teacher. Each pushes their boundaries and does their best to become much more. These teachers offer a foundation upon which to build a structure, which is fundamentally spiritual, with wings to house the

scholastic.” **Drew Shook** was a National Merit Finalist and gained admission to The University of Alabama Honors College on a scholarship covering five years of tuition (including one year of graduate studies), fees, room and board, and a study abroad stipend. He was awarded the President’s Award for Academic Excellence his senior year and was a member of the Beta Club and National Honor Society.

- “To our English teachers, thank you for teaching us the value of writing. Such positive experiences are why we are able to use the written word to share our stories now. To our language teachers, thank you for expanding our view beyond the borders of our cities, states, and countries, giving us insight into the language, customs, and cultures of all citizens of the world. To our science and mathematics teachers, thank you for creating an environment of enrichment and scientific exploration. Your dedication to STEM programs gives students exposure to the mechanics of the fascinating real world, a break from the liberal humanities. To our history teachers, thank you for educating us on the culture and societies of old, guiding us on a path to a brighter future for all of mankind. To all the teachers and staff, thank you for encouraging us and helping us learn how to be successful pupils.” **Robert Travis** received the President’s Award for Academic Excellence and was a member of the Beta Club and National Honor Society. He received the Vanderbilt University Grant, Notre Dame University Scholarship and Provost’s Scholarship, NC State University Academic Award and Engineering Merit Scholarship, Clemson University Out-of-state Tuition Scholarship, Non-Resident Grant and Barnes and Noble Scholarship, and Georgia Tech Undergraduate Scholarship. He attends Vanderbilt University.
- “There is no place that I will miss more. Comparing my experiences in the classroom and academics to friends outside of Wesleyan is when I truly begin to see how different Wesleyan is and how thankful I am for it.” **Taylor Pietrantozzi** received the President’s Award for Academic Excellence and was a member of the Beta Club and National Honor Society. She attends UNC-Wilmington.