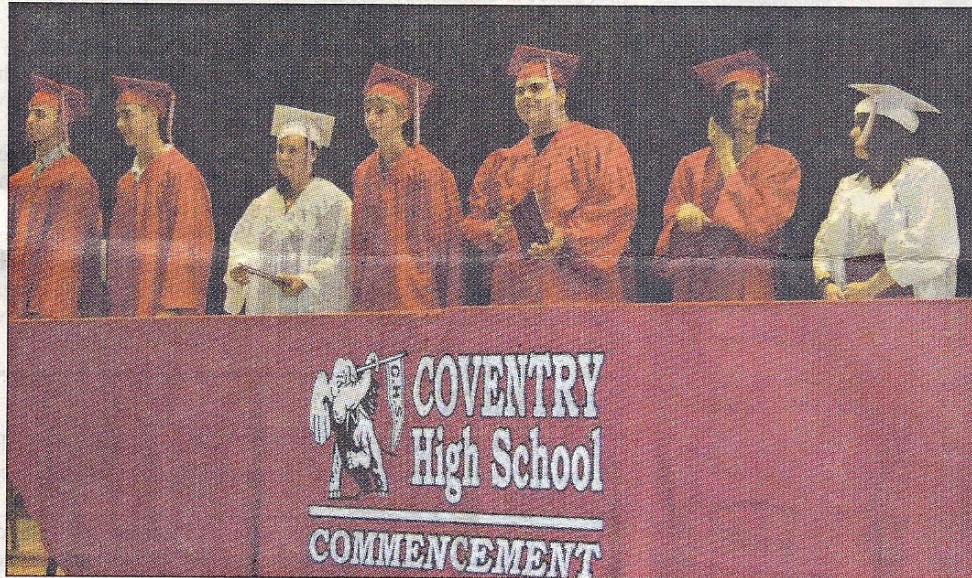


Summer graduation in Coventry



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The 2011 Coventry High School Extended School Year Graduation took place at the Alan Shawn Feinstein Middle School of Coventry on Tuesday, Aug. 2.

Twenty-one students earn diplomas

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COVENTRY—Twenty Coventry students and one from Scituate High School earned their diplomas on Tuesday morning.

The 2011 Coventry High School Extended School Year (ESY) Graduation took place on Tuesday, Aug. 2 at the Alan Shawn Feinstein Middle School of Coventry.

Coventry School Committee Chairperson Katherine Pate-naude brought greetings from the school committee and told the graduates, "This is a wonderful day for you."

She said that the summer graduation is one of the school committee's favorite occasions to attend.

"Go out there and kick butt," she told the graduates.

Not all 21 students could make it to Tuesday's celebration, but there was a large crowd of family and friends that cheered for the graduates as they crossed the stage in the middle school auditorium.

Superintendent of Coventry Public Schools Michael Convery said that the ceremony marked a "major milestone" for the graduates.

"Don't let anyone tell you [that] you can't accomplish something," he told them.

He said they took the "high road" and "made it here today."

The principal of Coventry High School, Michael Hobin, said, "This is really a great day for the high school."

Hobin talked about how the students were becoming new alumni, added to the ranks and rich history of Coventry High School.

When he met the students in February or March, Hobin said he was impressed by their commitment to finish high school.

Included in each diploma case, Hobin said the students were given a "star" that marked the completion of their

The 2011 Coventry High School Extended School Year graduates are as follows:

Alexander Michael Barajas
Mark Allen Barrett
Sarah Elizabeth Beausoleil
Taylor James Boisclair
Ryan Michael Boulton
Sara Lynn Castilloux
Andre Nicholas Charpentier
Tyler Nicholas Cunningham
Ryan John daEstrella
Justine Anne Ferrara
Caitlin Taylor Finneran
Brendan Joseph Haines
Matthew James Keefe
Adam James Lawrence
Zachary Seth Mambro
Justin Edward Mattera
Claudia Margaret Merten
Joseph George Morin
Corey Robert Owens
Ashley Marie Wood

The 2011 Scituate High School Extended School Year graduate:

Robert Joseph Dorr

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capstone project and their eligibility to graduate.

Throughout the school year, Hobin had posted these stars on the bulletin board at the high school and also announced the names over the intercom. Some

of the summer graduates had earned their stars before the school year ended and others had since earned their stars.

Following the ceremony, refreshments were served for the graduates and their family and friends.