

*Baboquivari Unified School District
presents*



Class of 2025 Graduate Newsletter

2025

Messages from the Superintendent & Governing Board

Dear Class of 2025,

Congratulations on your accomplishment. It is with immense gratitude that I thank each one of you for all the work, commitment, and dedication invested the last 12+ years to get you to this moment of success.

Maximize your education, determination, and diploma to open new doors, new opportunities, new horizons, and new successes. As the new graduating class, “KEEP ON GOING,” whether you choose to enroll in a junior college, four-year university, a technical school, or develop new skills by joining the workforce. This year you earned your high school diploma. In a few years, all of you will be the next leaders of the Tohono O’odham Nation, who will be responsible for the well-being of the next generation, your elders, and the community.

Thank you for being the best, giving us your best, and planning for the best. On behalf of all the teachers, staff, Governing Board, and the community, WE ARE PROUD OF YOU!

To our families, thank you for entrusting us with your children and supporting them each step of the way. This is YOUR graduation as well.

Kind Regards,
Rubén Díaz
Your Proud Superintendent

To the Graduating Class of 2025,

You carry the strength of your ancestors, the wisdom of your culture, and the love of your people. As Tohono O’odham, you walk in two worlds—with deep roots in tradition and the courage to shape the future.

We are proud of you. We believe in you. The world before you has no limits, and neither do you.

Go forward with pride, purpose, and the knowledge that you are never alone. We are with you—always.

Juan Buendia
President

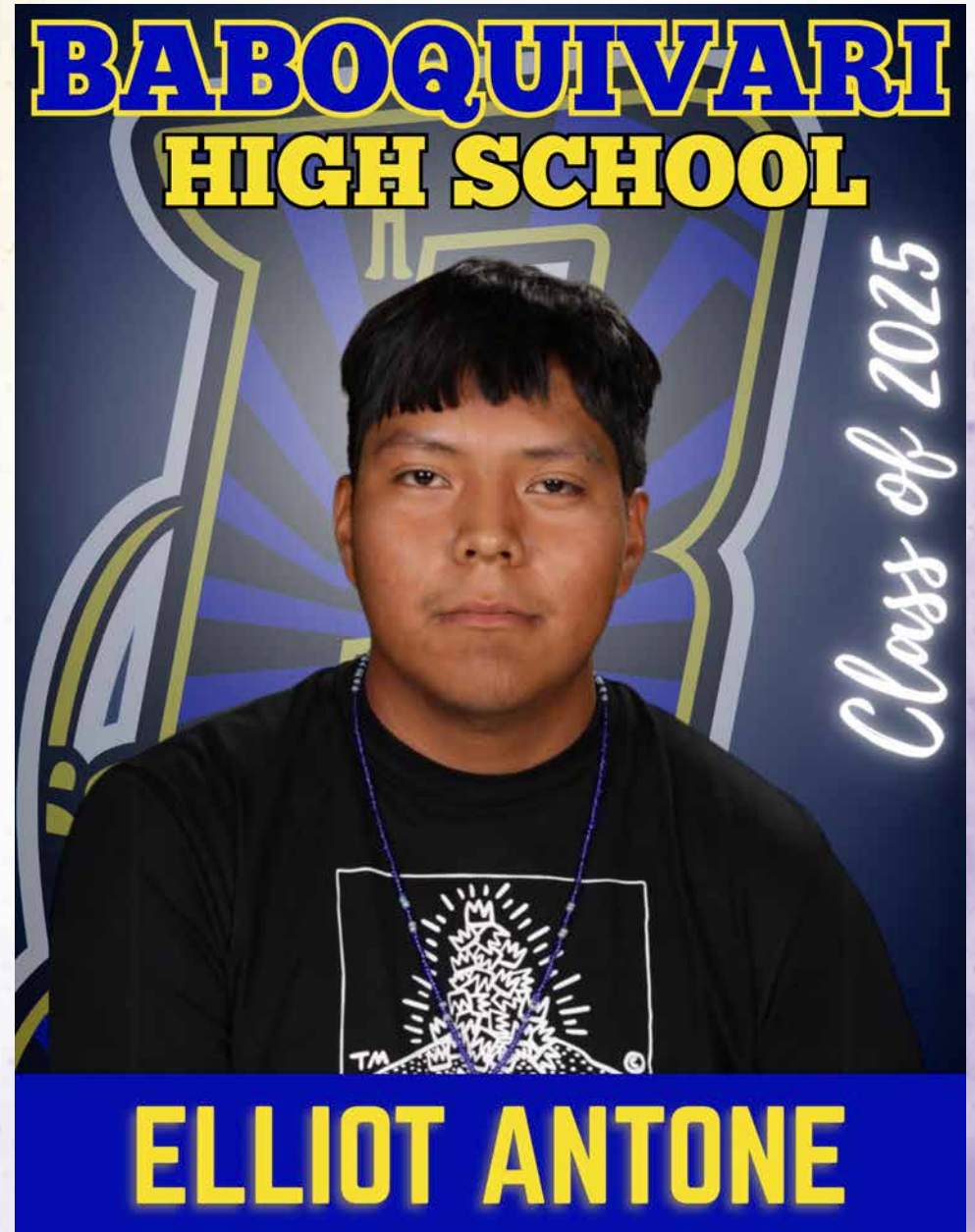
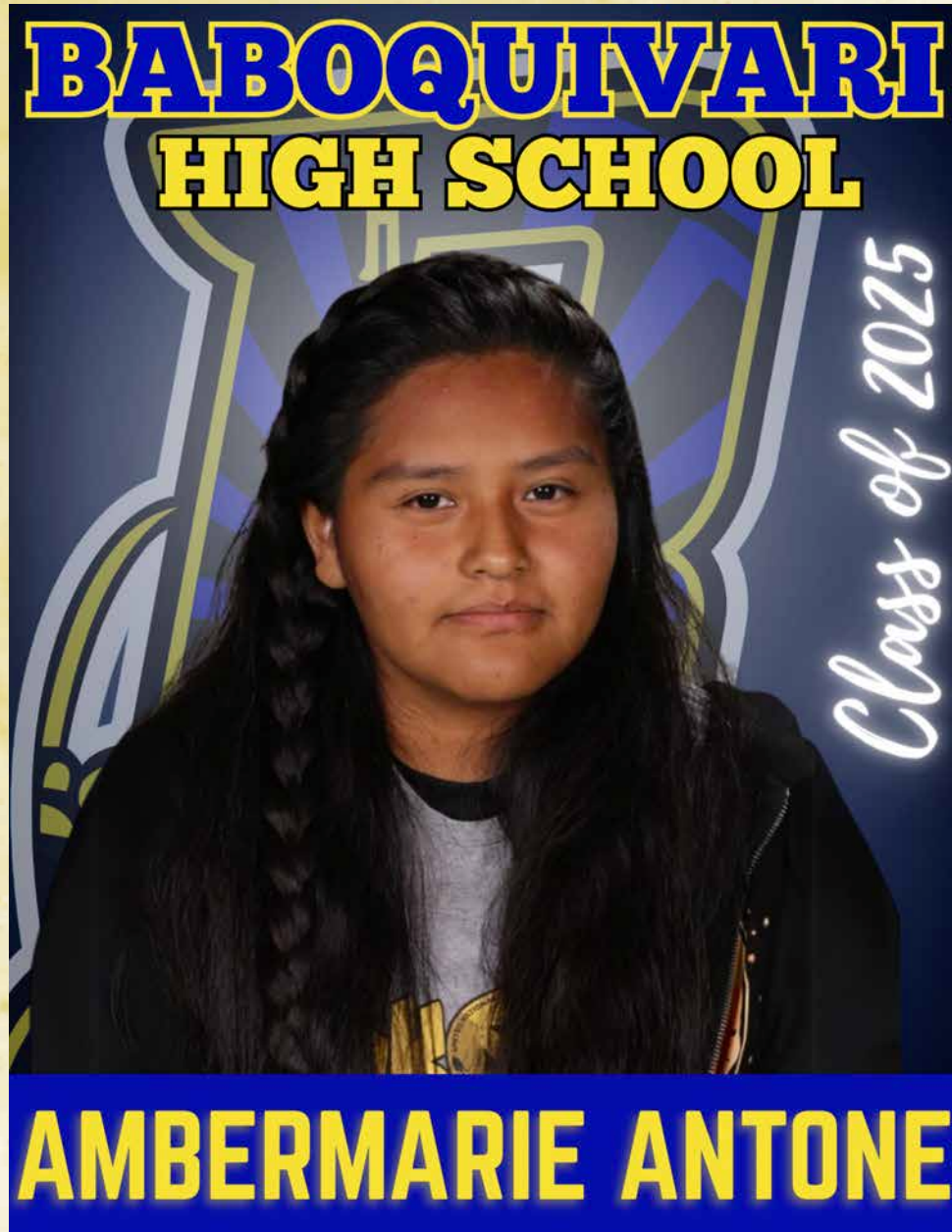
Graduates of Baboquivari High School and Indian Oasis High School,
Class of 2025...

Congratulations on your achievement! For the past 12 years you’ve worked to earn the right to walk across the stage and receive your high school diploma.

This is the beginning of a new adventure for you! Don’t let this be the only stage you walk across. Challenge yourself to conquer another 2 year journey and then 2 more years after that!

I truly believe you are ready to conquer the universe! Believe in yourself! Believe in your dreams! Know that you are loved by so many! Walk with your head up high always!

Kathleen Vance
Board Clerk



*"Who does not move forward recedes."
- Angeline Boulley, Chippewa*

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MARISSA ANTONE

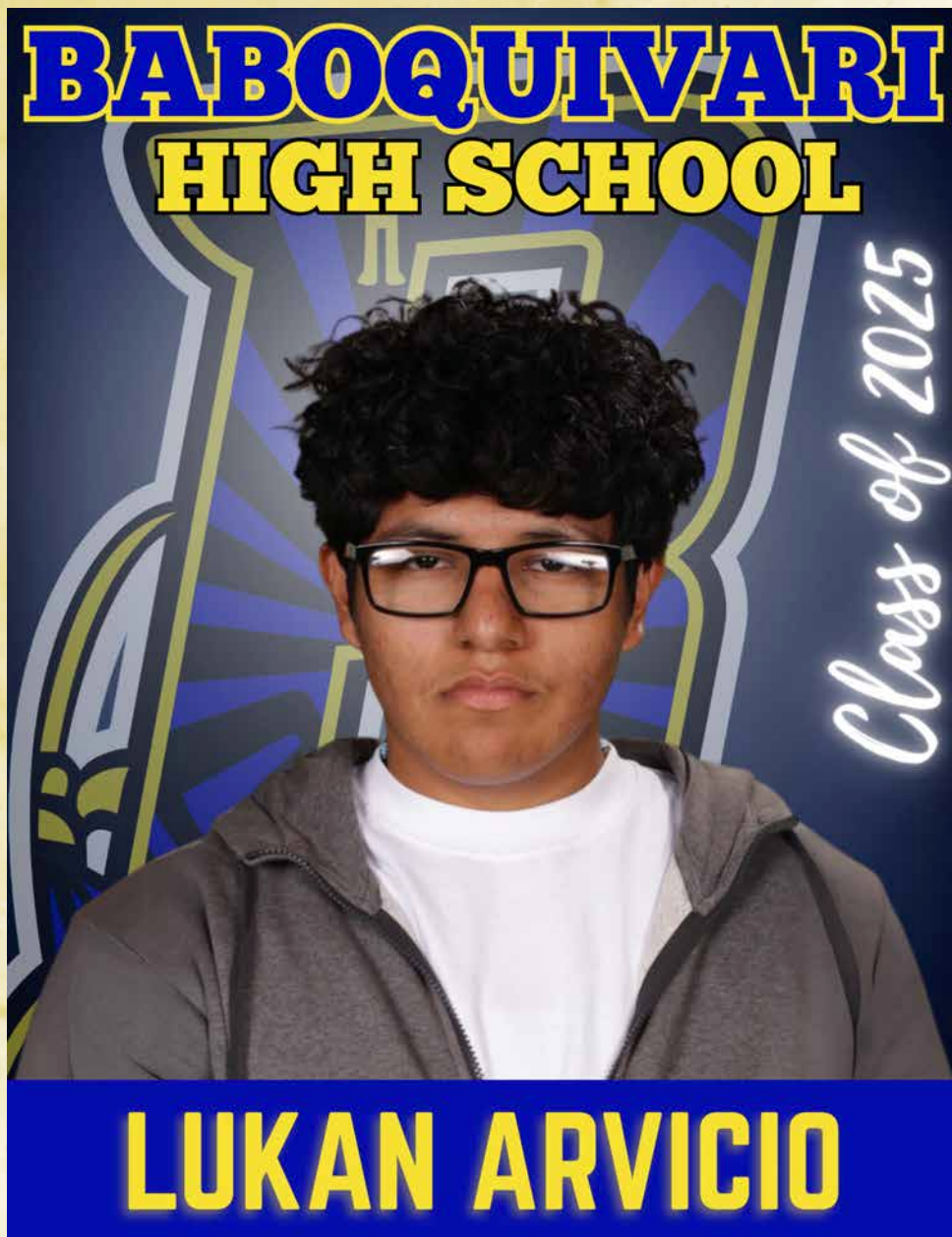
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MICHAEL ANTONE

"I feel that I owe it to my people to share my knowledge and to give back what was so graciously given to me. I also hope that I can add to my story ten years from now as I gain more cultural knowledge, better my education, and accomplish more of my goals."
- Danny Lopez, Tohono O'odham



"Your life is a gift from the Creator. Your gift back to the Creator is what you do with your life."
- Billy Mills, Oglala Lakota

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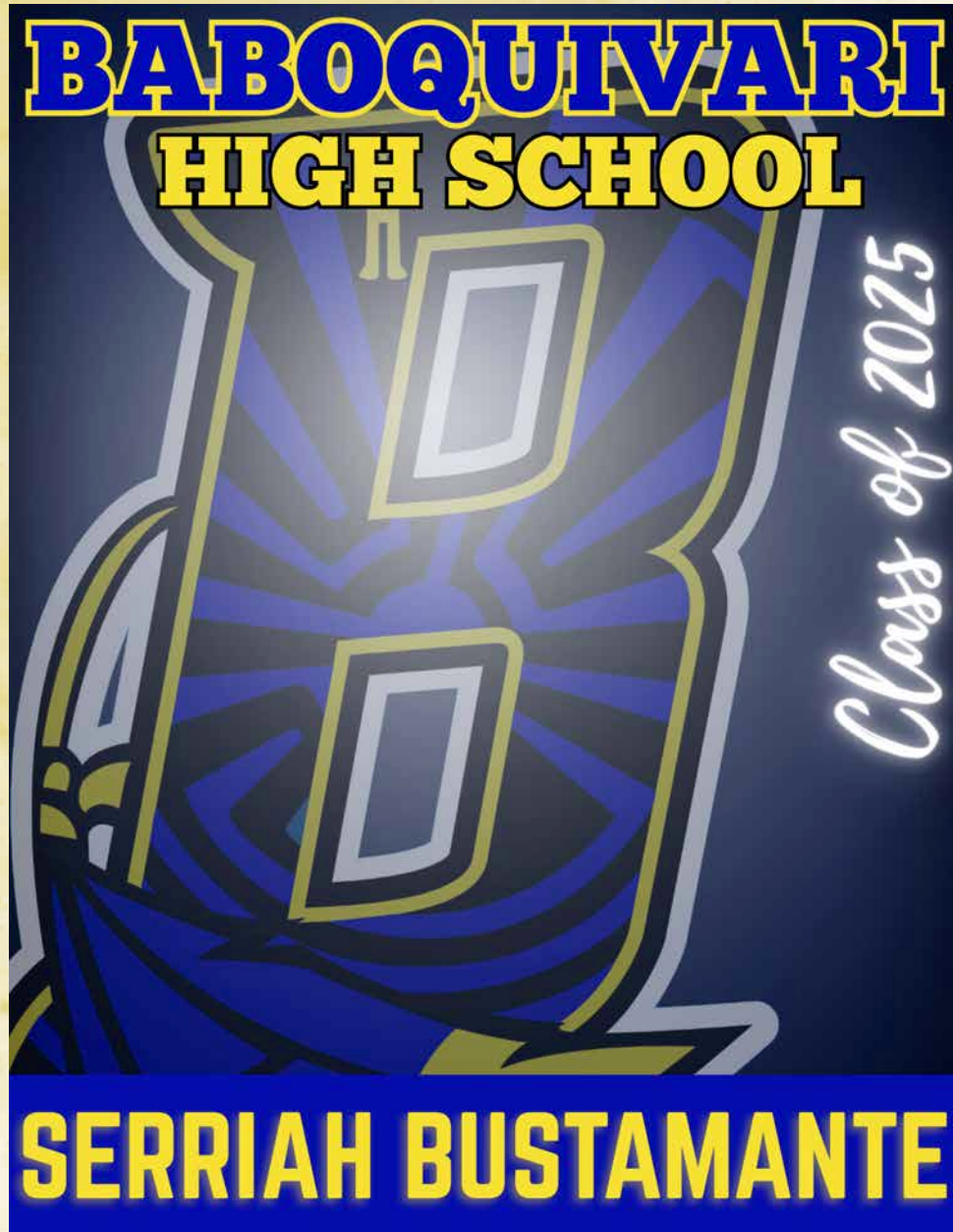
DARRION BEGAYE

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JESSE BUENDIA

*“Love your life, perfect your life, beautify all things in your life. Seek to make your life long and its purpose in the service of your people.”
- Tecumseh, Shawnee*



"If you believe in the power of your words, you can bring about physical changes in the universe."

- N. Scott Momaday, Kiowa

INDIAN OASIS HIGH SCHOOL



FROST CONDE

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GERALD CONDE

"I'm always telling the guys that on the stage, 'Just do it, man. Just do it.' Don't get off the stage and say, 'Man, I should have played it like this.' Just do it."
- Gertrude "Gertie" Lopez, Tohono O'odham

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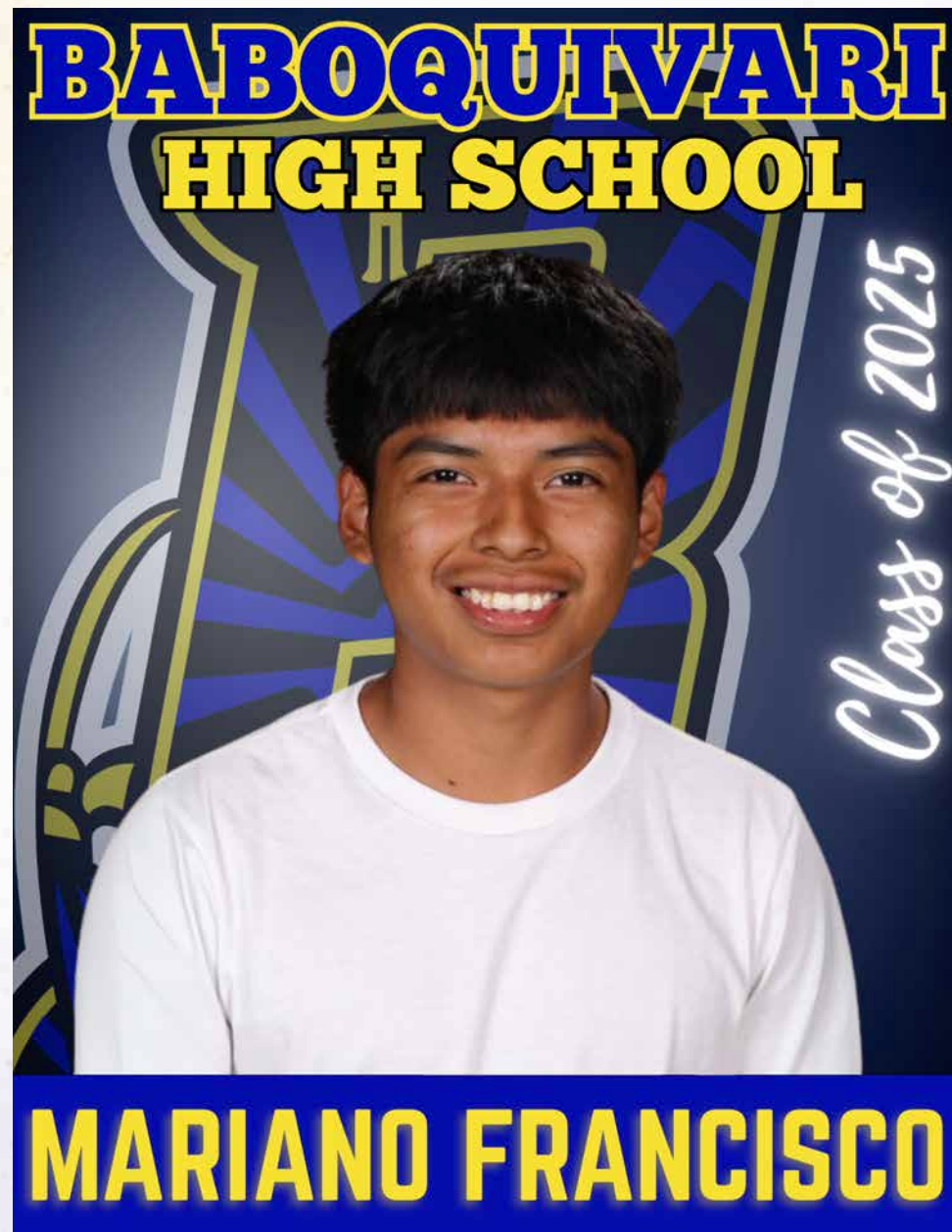
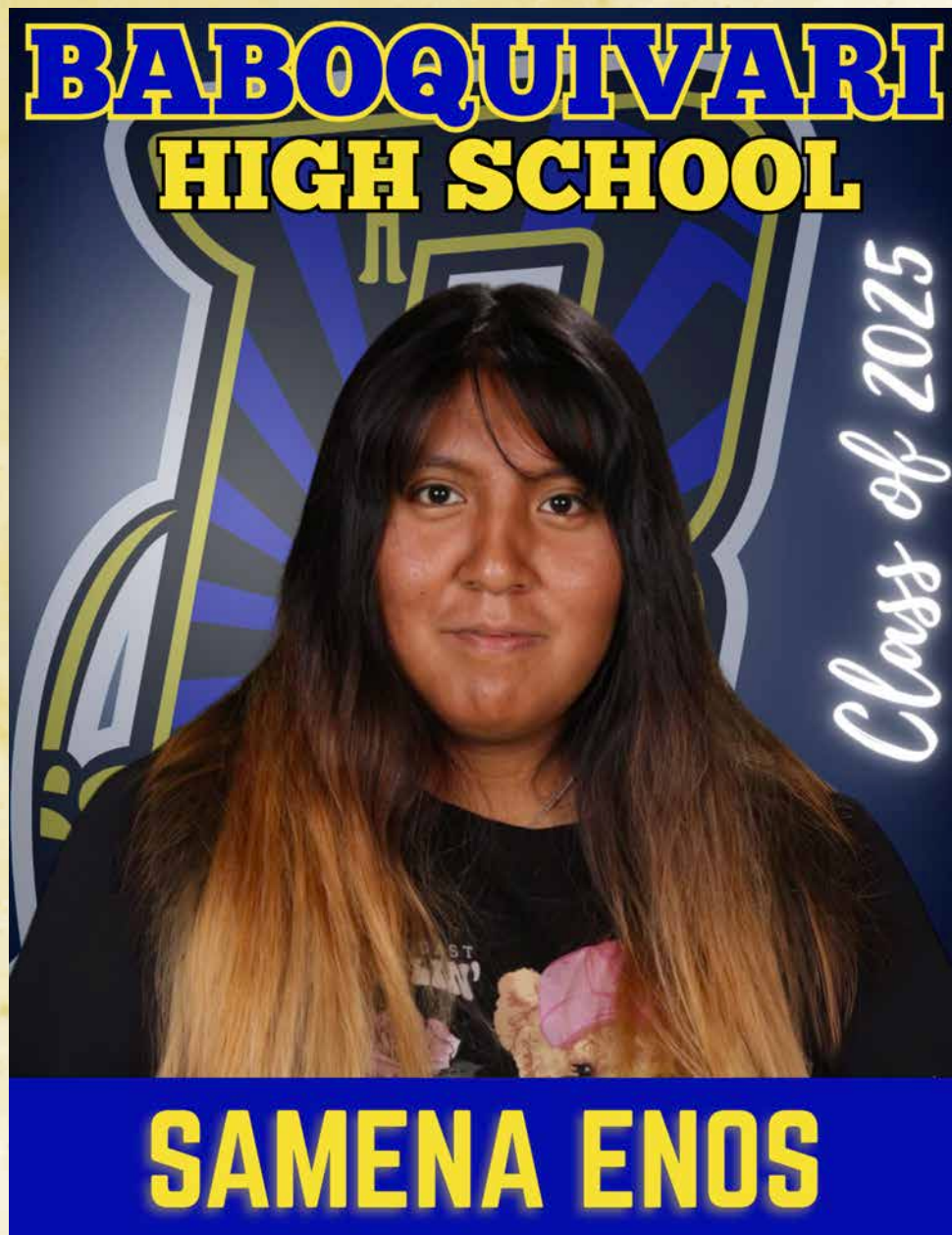
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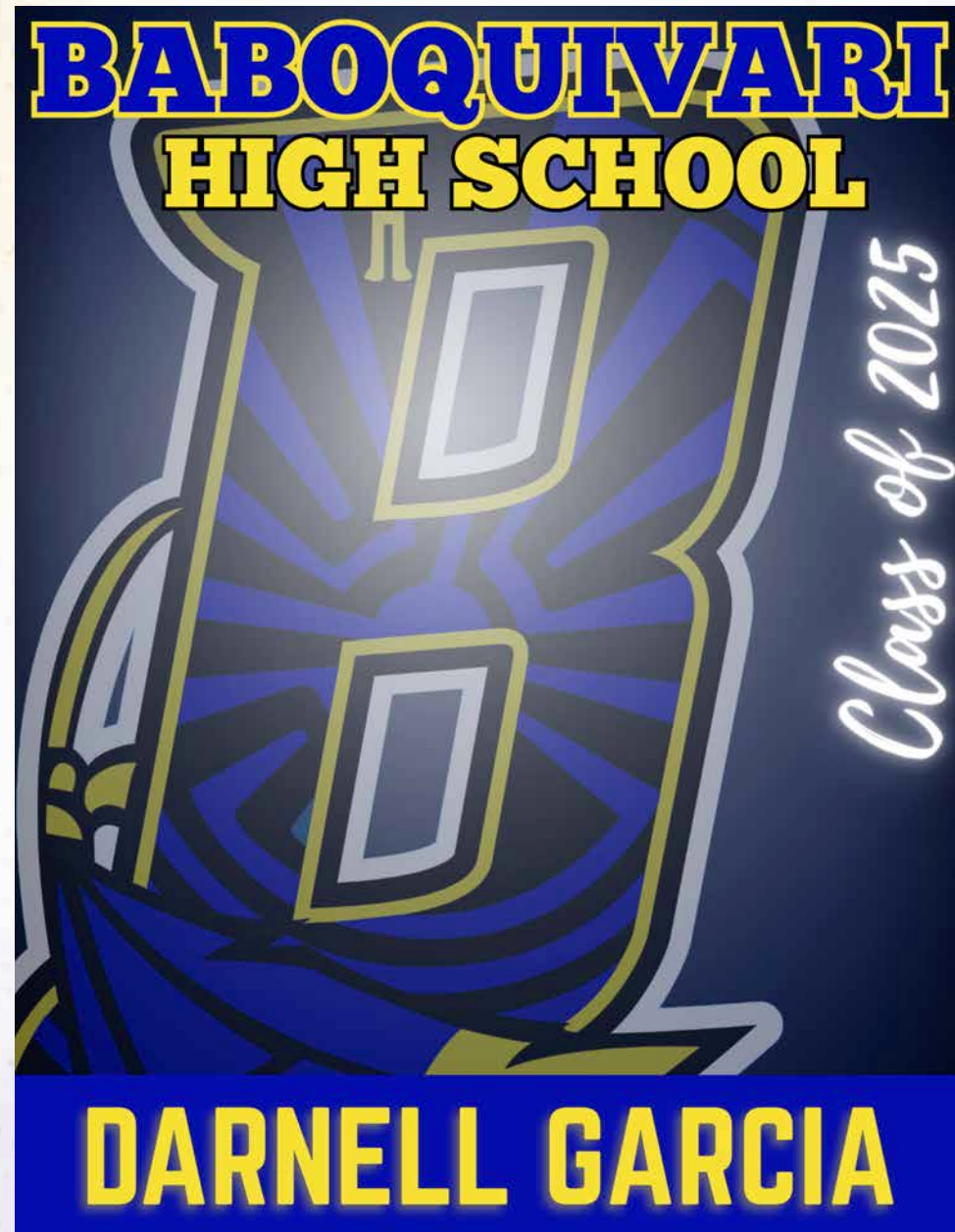
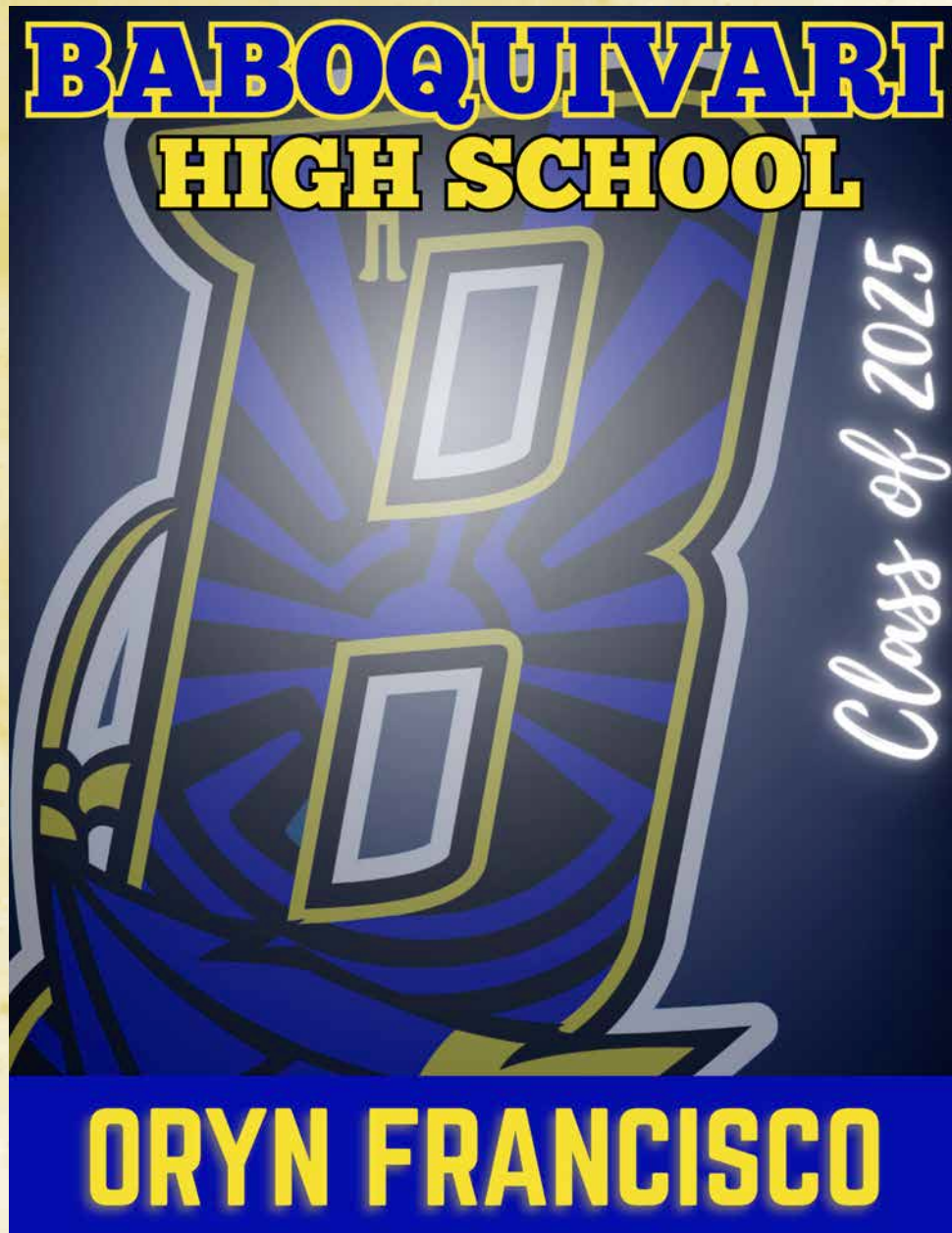
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ANGELINA DUARTE

"Let us put our minds together and see what life we can make for our children."
- Sitting Bull, Hunkpapa Lakota



*"The secret of our success is that we never, never give up."
- Wilma Mankiller, Cherokee*



"The beauty in life is, each day is a new day to try again and be a better version of myself than yesterday."
- Aurora Mamea, Blackfeet

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ISABEL GARCIA

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MICHAEL GARCIA

*"When you are in doubt, be still, and wait; when doubt no longer exists for you, then go forward with courage."
- Chief White Eagle, Ponca*

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JERRAN HAVIER

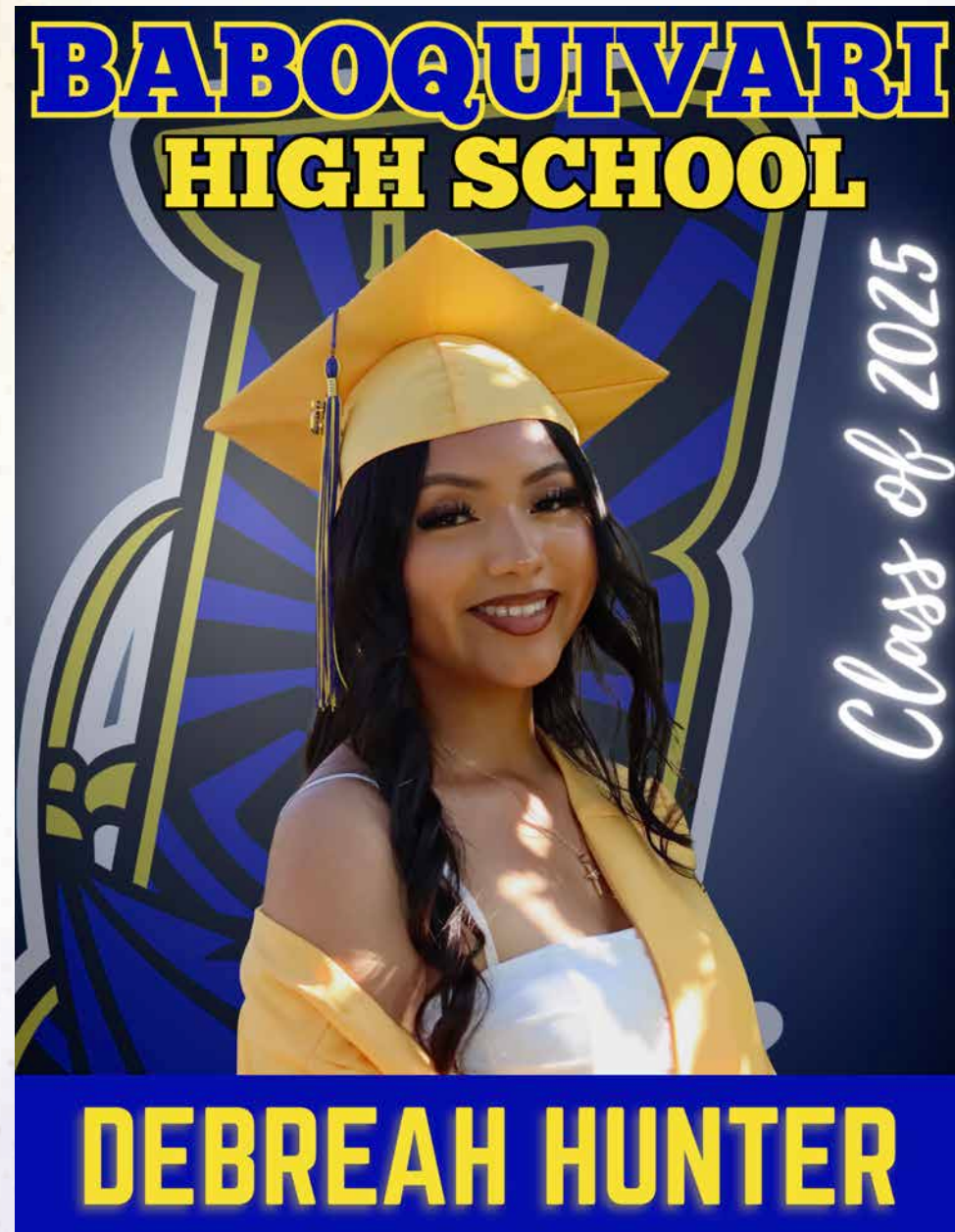
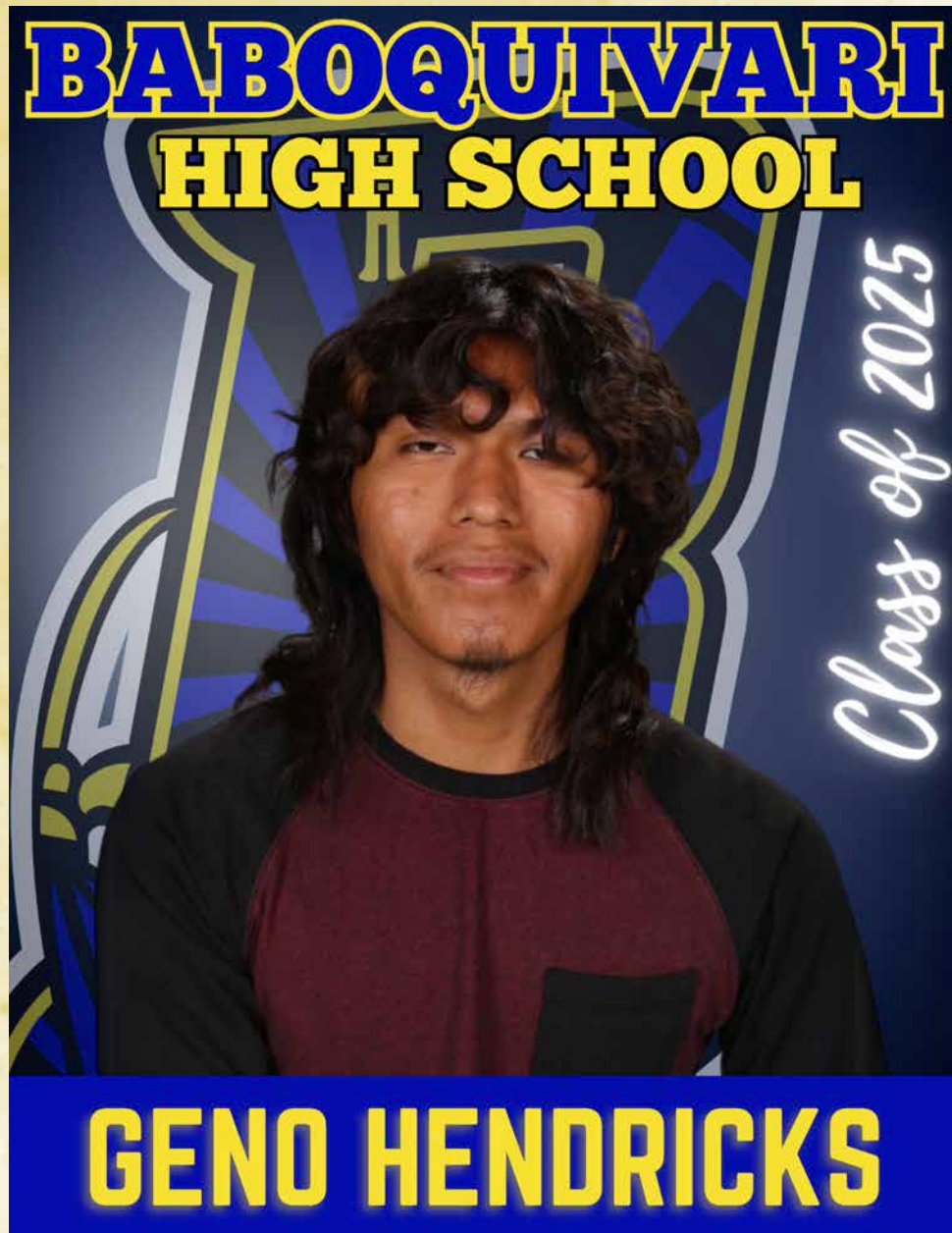
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CAIN HENDRICKS

*"Every human being is a raindrop. And when enough of the raindrops become clear and coherent, they then become the power of the storm."
- John Trudell, Santee Dakota*



*"Our culture is our strength and reclaiming it is a powerful act of resistance."
- Dennis Banks, Anishinaabe*

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MEILIA JOHNSON

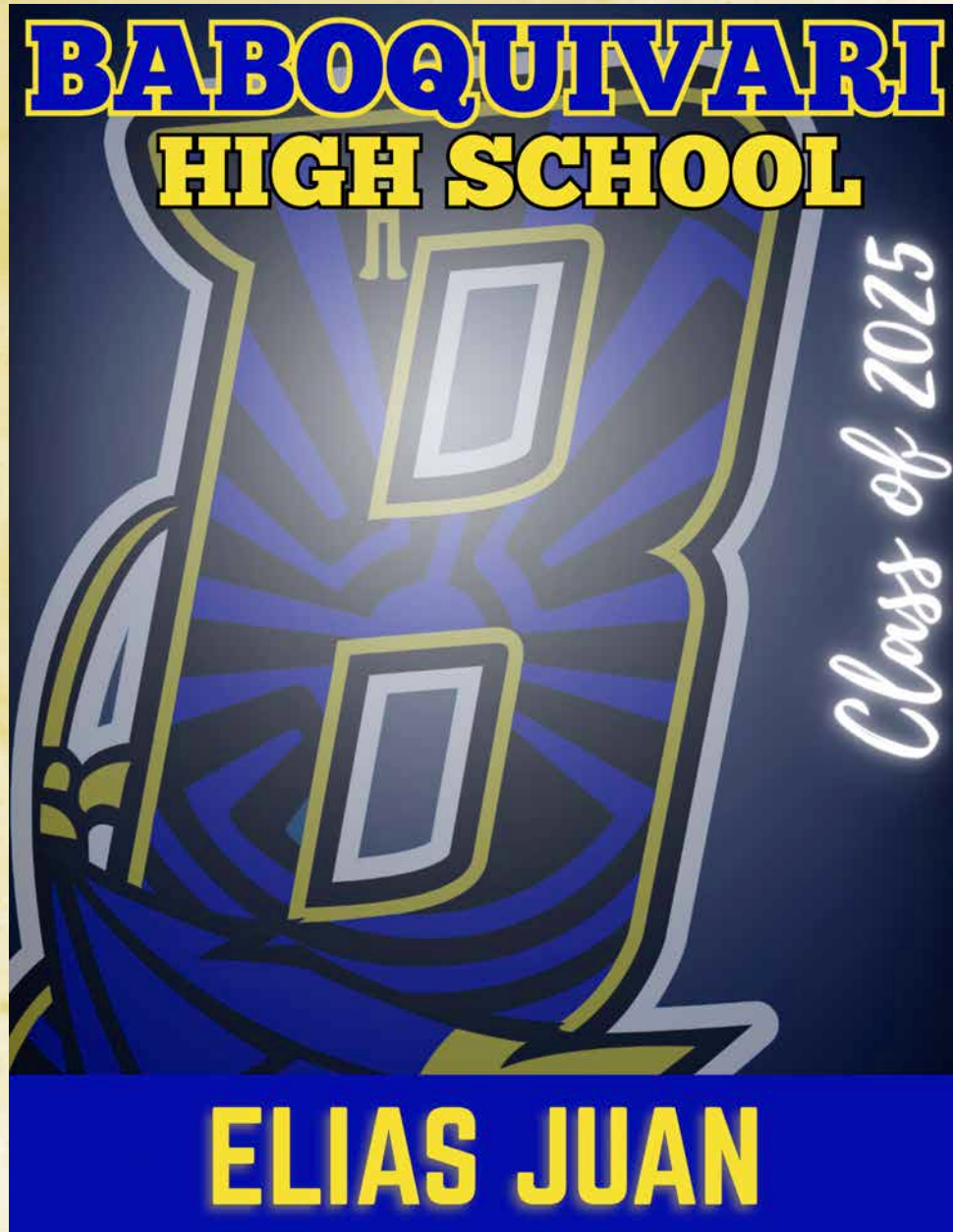
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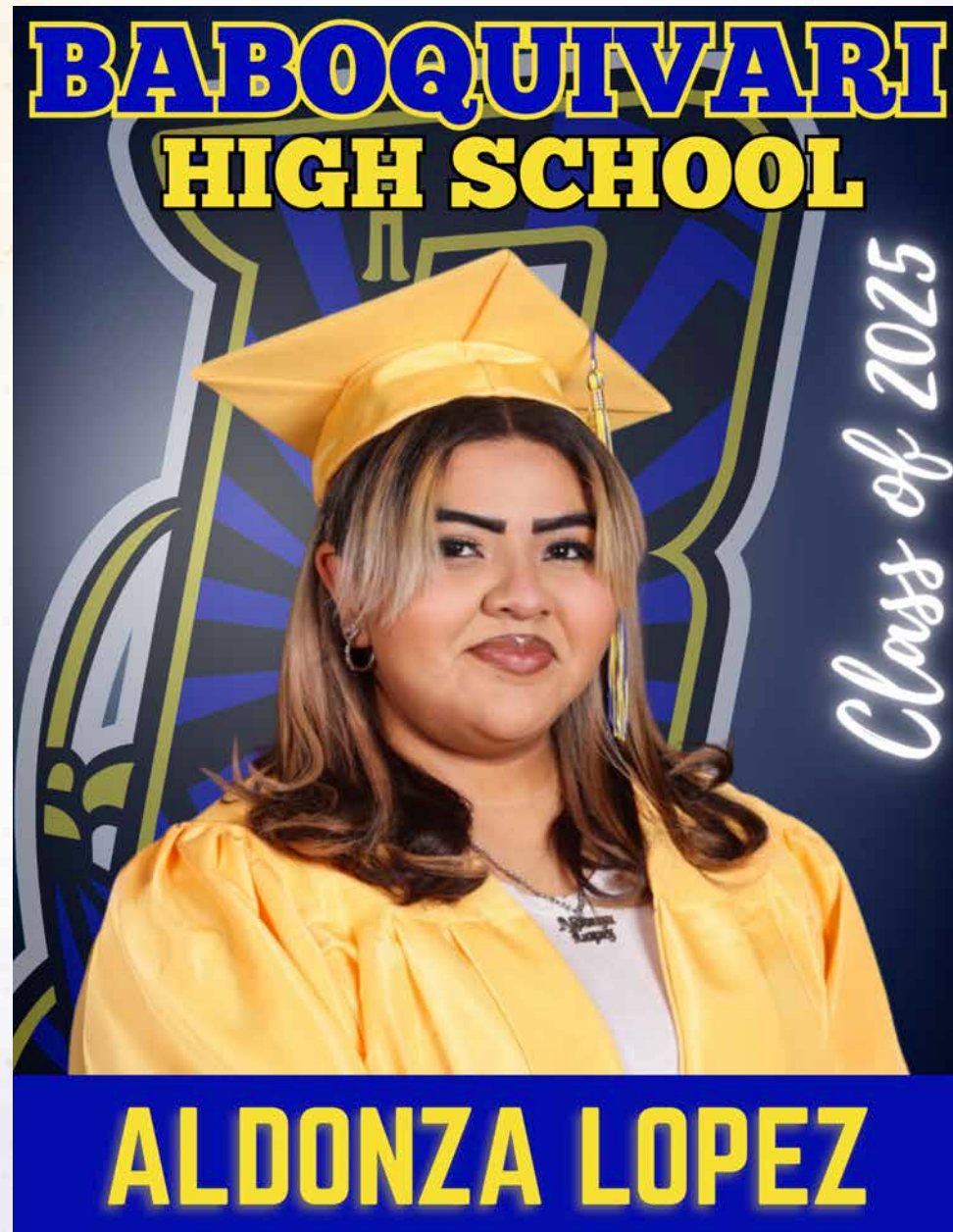
JORDAN JOSE

"You have to look deeper, way below the anger, the hurt, the hate, the jealousy, the self-pity, way down deeper where the dreams lie, son. Find your dream. It's the pursuit of the dream that heals you."
- Billy Mills, Oglala Lakota

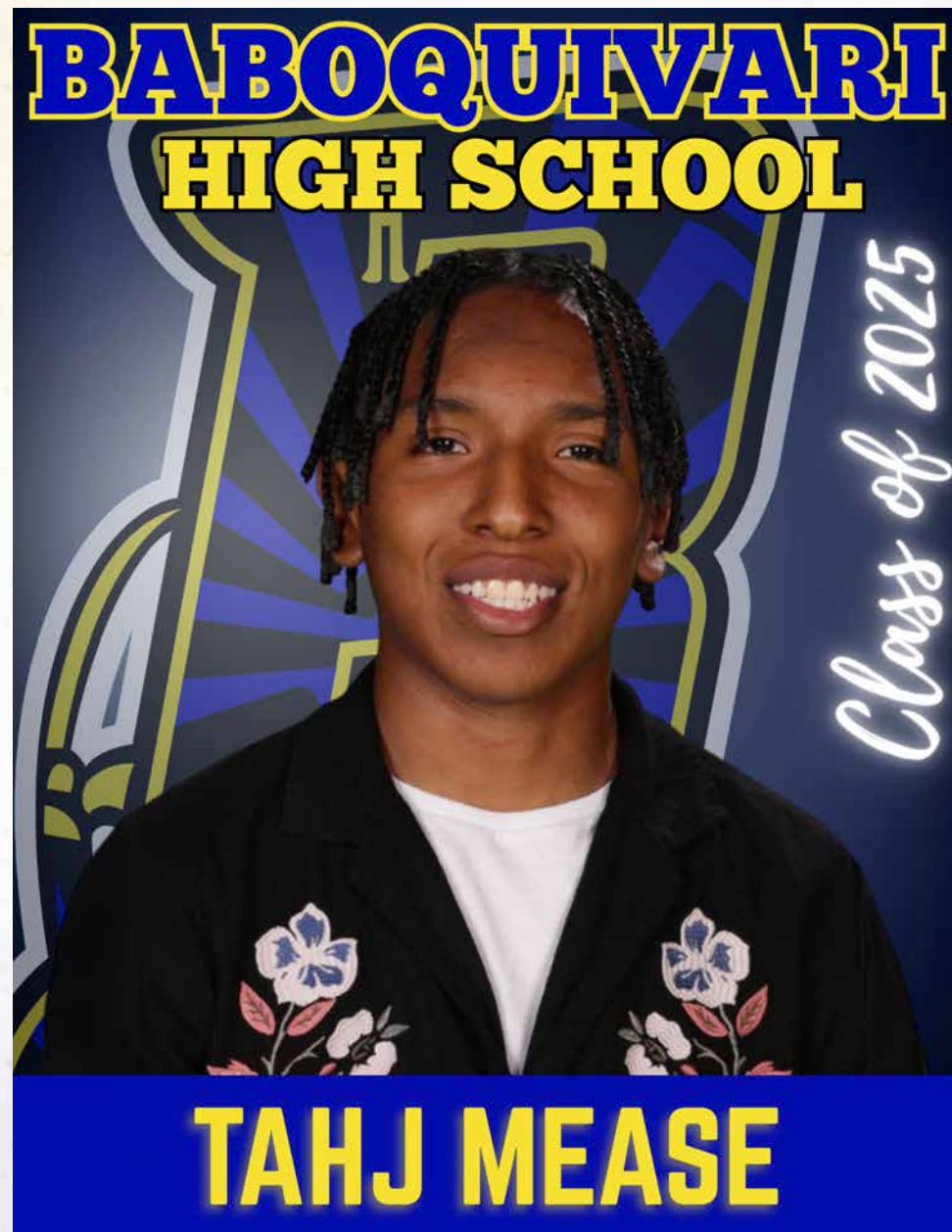
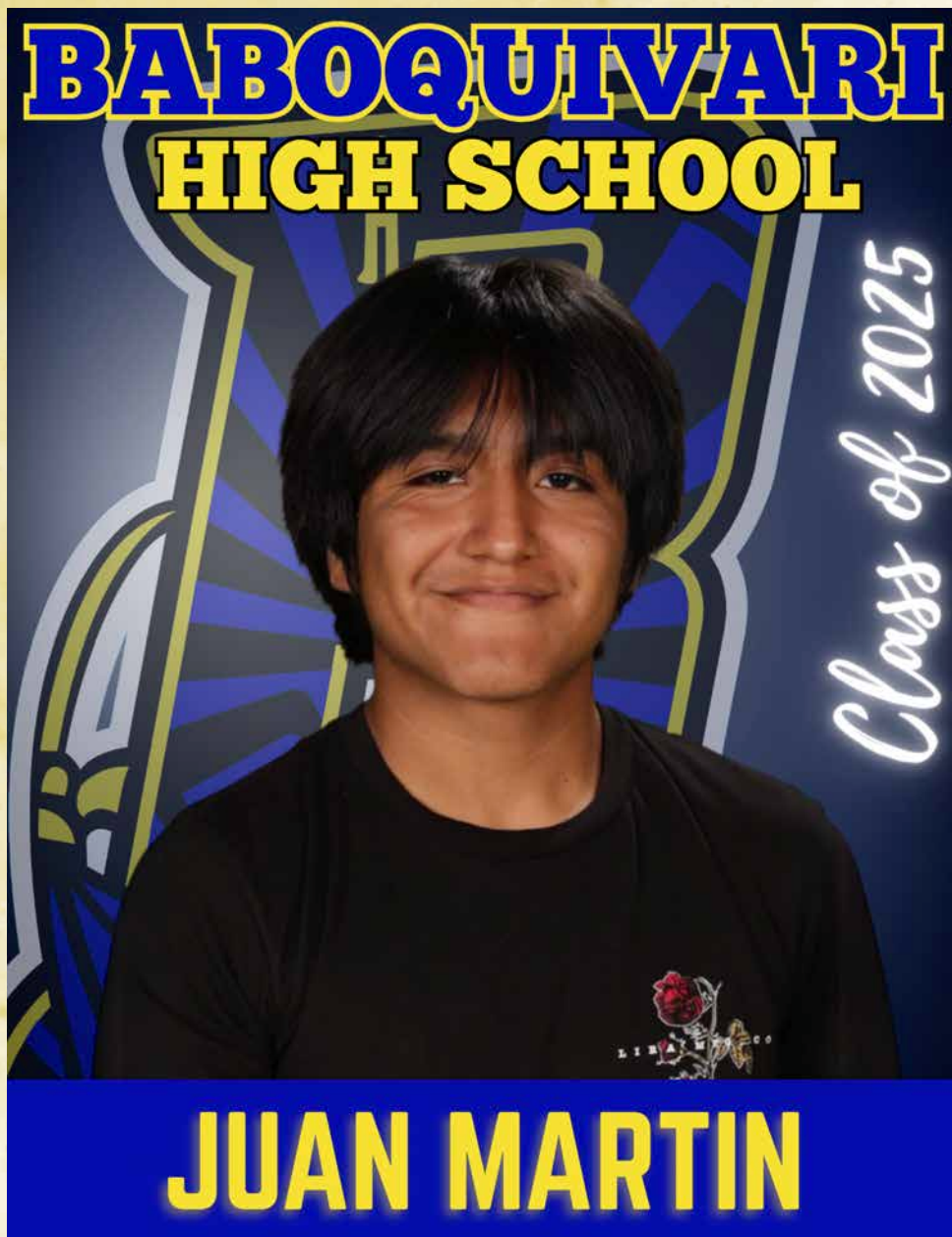


"I have seen that in any great undertaking it is not enough for a man to depend simply upon himself."

- Lone Man (Isna-la-wica), Teton Sioux



*“Remember you are this universe and this universe is you.”
- Joy Harjo, Muskoke*



*"But as long as you remember what you have seen, then nothing is gone. As long as you remember, it is part of this story we have together."
- Leslie Marmon Silko, Laguna Pueblo*

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DESTINY MORGAN

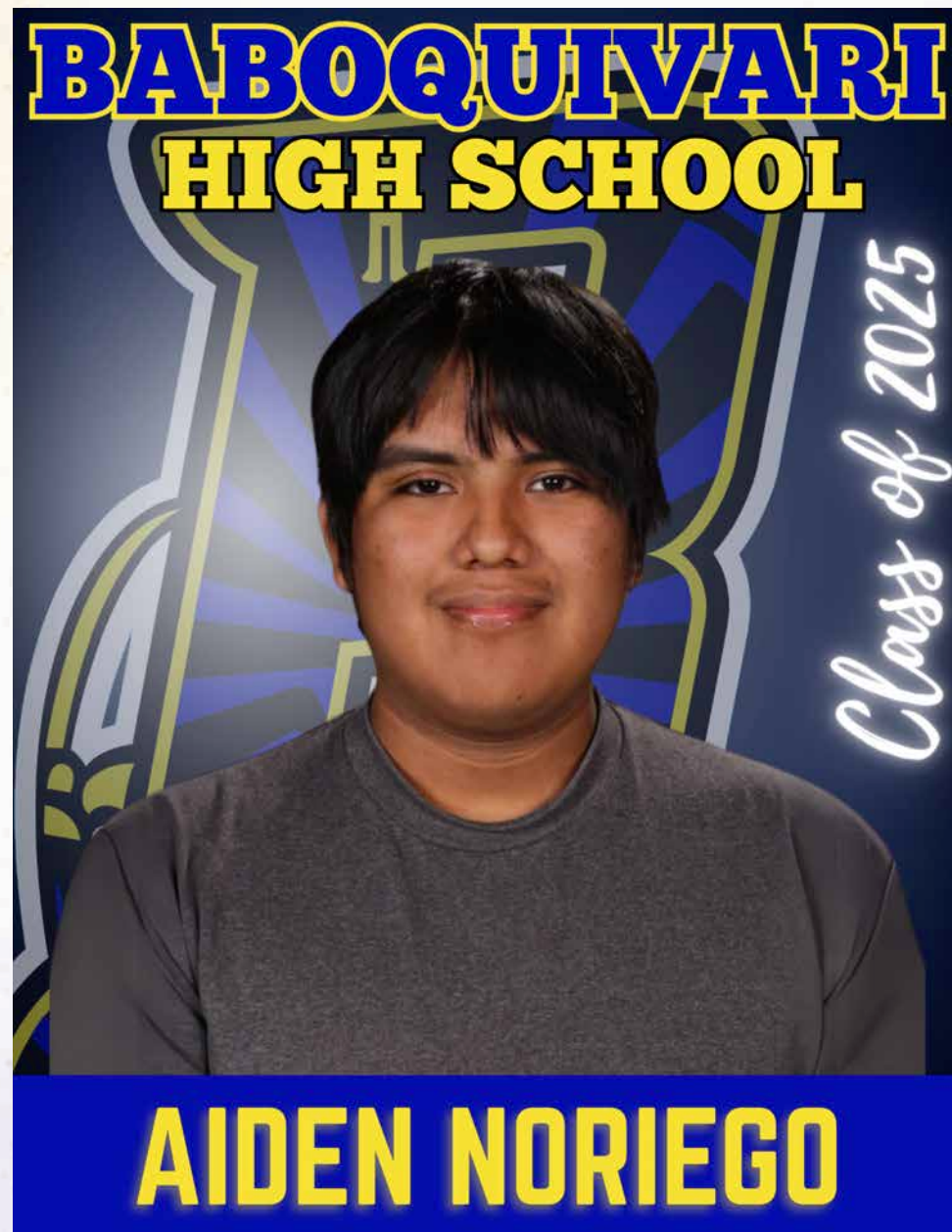
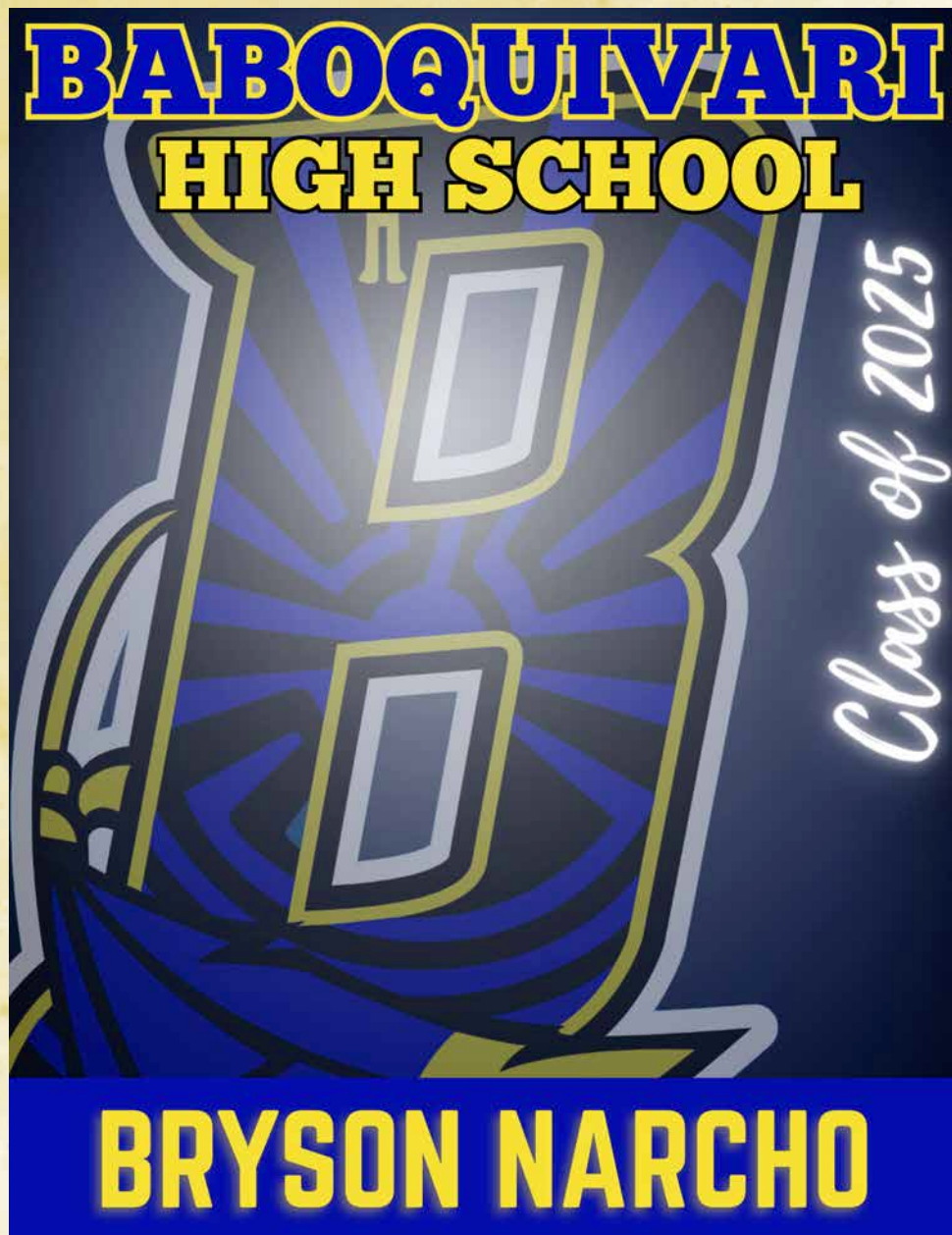
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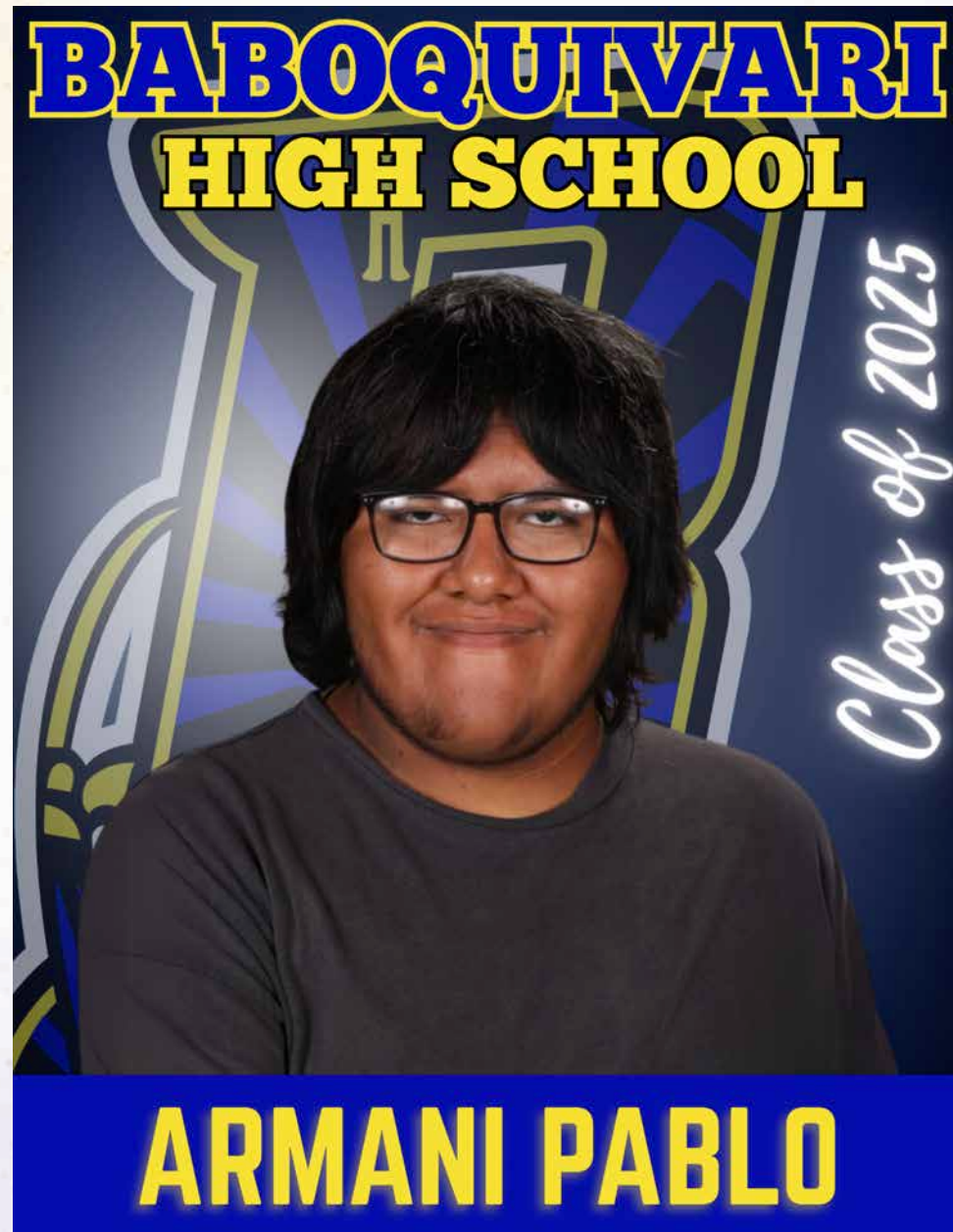
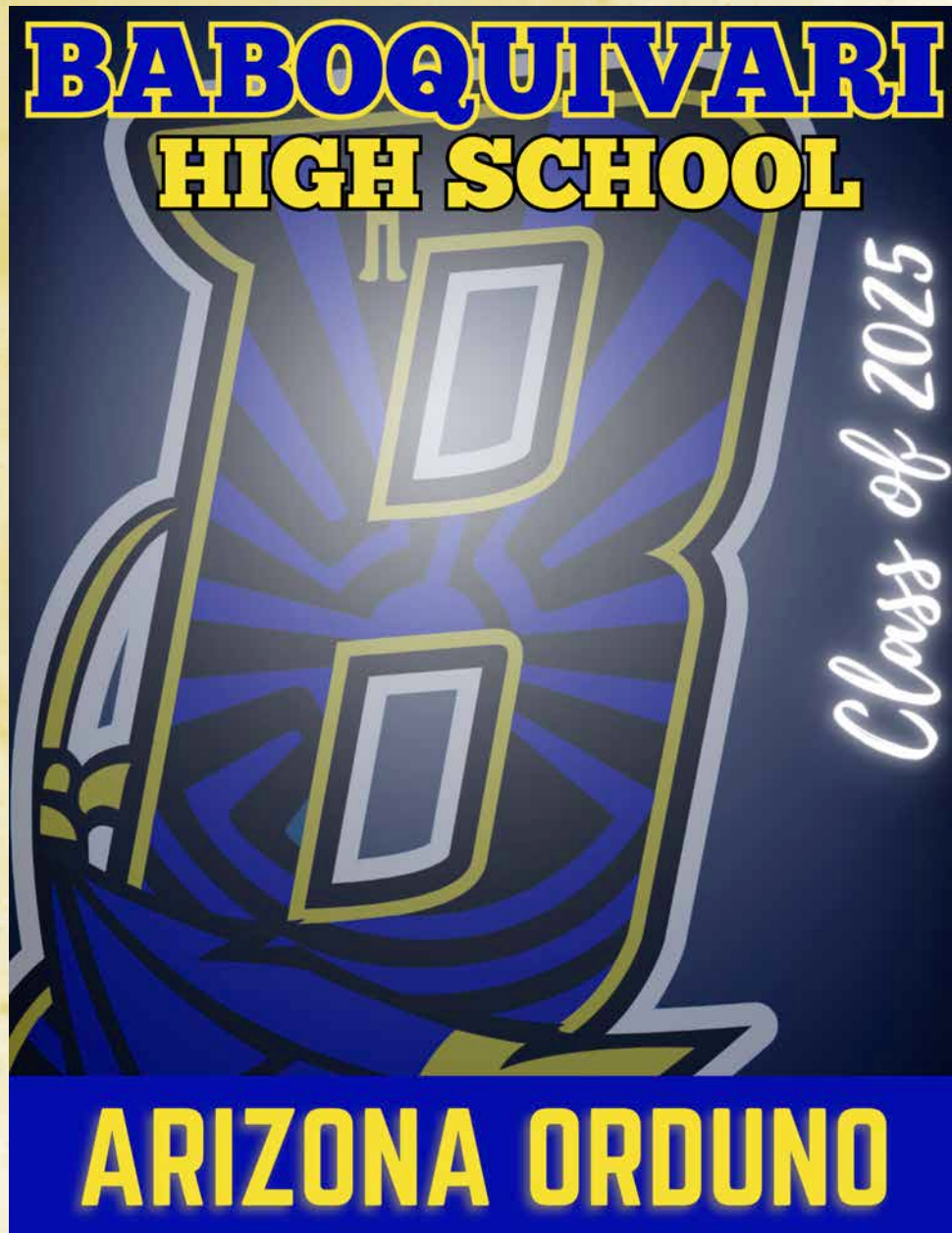
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SAJANA NALAM

*“A ballerina takes steps given to her and makes them her own. Each individual brings something different to the same role.”
- Maria Tallchief, Osage*



*"There is but one secret to success: never give up."
- Ben Nighthorse Campbell, Northern Cheyenne*



"When we are young, the words are scattered all around us. As they are assembled by experience, so also are we, sentence by sentence, until the story takes shape."
- Louise Erdrich, *Chippewa*

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CHRISTOPHER PABLO

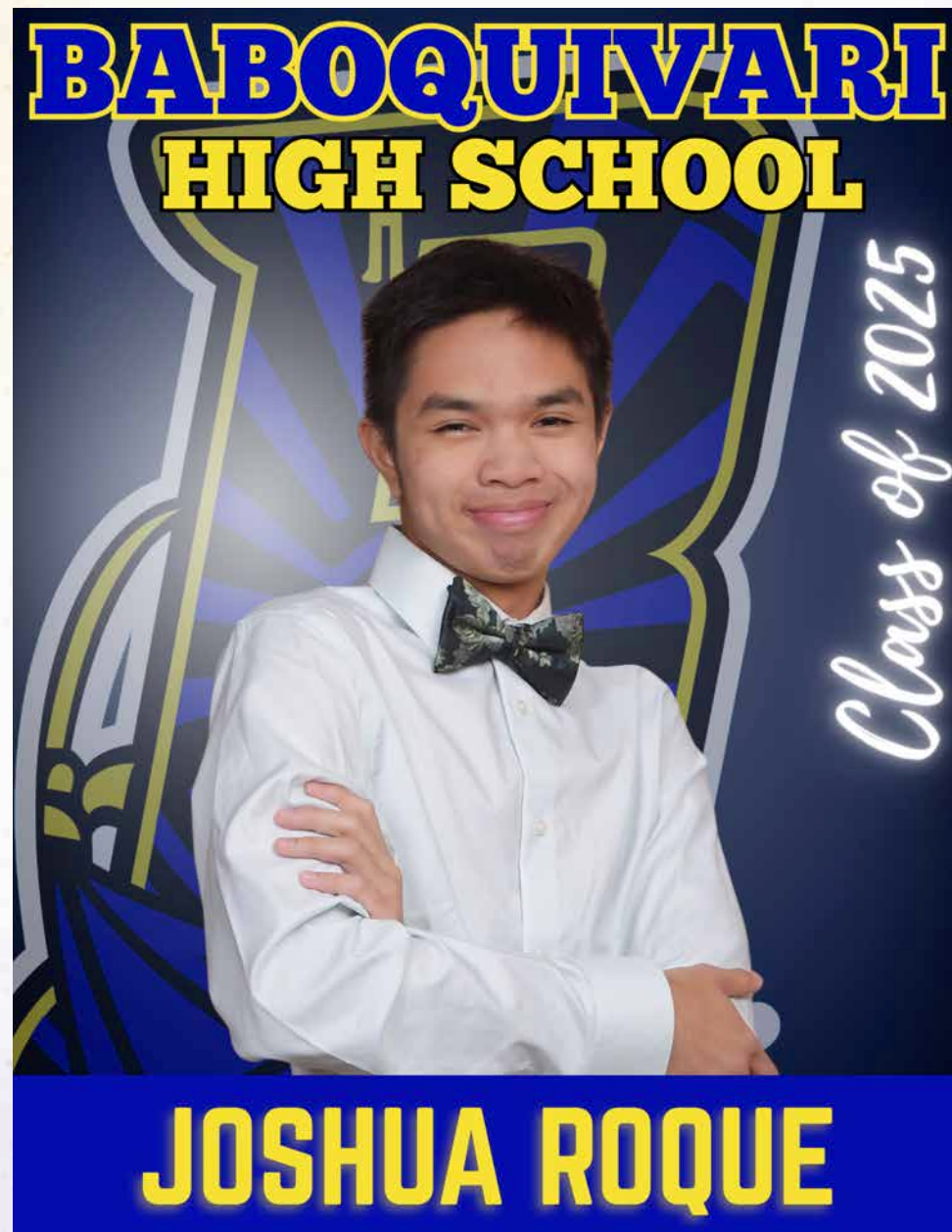
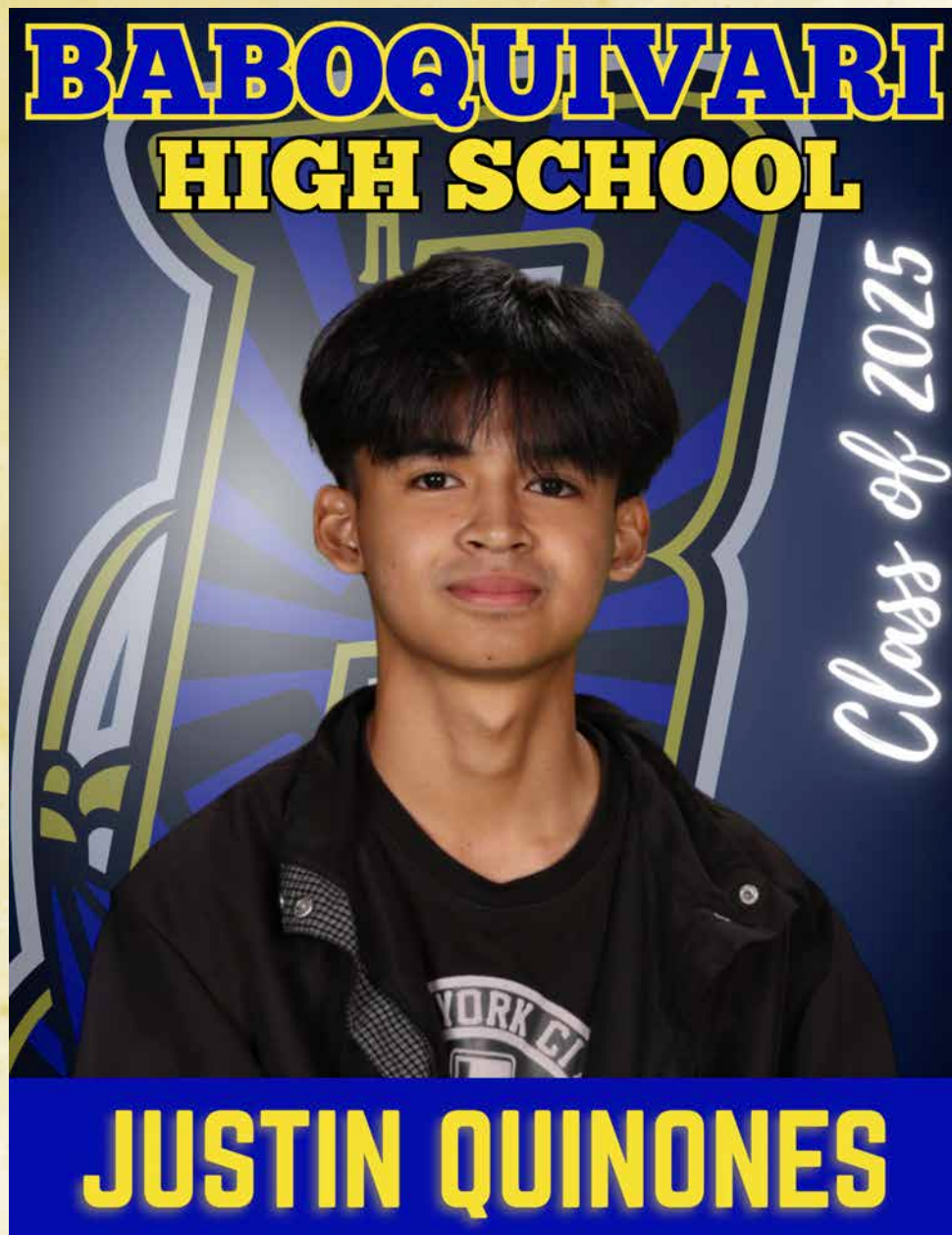
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BRYSON PORTER

"I want people to know that I am not just an O'odham but one who can accomplish many things with dedication, dreams, and faith. I want the youth to know that they too, can accomplish many things in their lifetime!"
- Danny Lopez, Tohono O'odham



"Sometimes, even in the darkness, if you just push hard enough, you can end up sailing into the bright open."
- Cherie Dimaline, *Métis*

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GRAYSON ROY

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KEANUE TORO

*"When you just be yourself, you put something beautiful in the world that wasn't there before."
- Mario Sanchez, Tejon*

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MEREJILDO VALDEZ

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CADE WIDENER

"Humankind has not woven the web of life. We are but one thread within it. Whatever we do to the web, we do to ourselves. All things are bound together. All things connect."
- Chief Seattle, Duwamish

