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Class of 2008 Graduates

Oh, the places they will go. The popular Dr. Seuss book became a prominent theme throughout the evening at com-

mencement ceremonies for this year's senior class on June 20th.

The common thread was woven into student addresses and

the choral selection, "Somewhere Over the Rainbow."

But this class has already proven its ability to soar.

Collectively, the seniors earned scholarships and grants of over \$2.9 million dollars.

For a listing of scholarships and awards earned by **Northern's** students, see pages three through ten of this newsletter.

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Northern seniors march onto the football field for commencement.

Tools for Learning

The **Northern Burlington County Regional School District** is pleased to accept the gift of a 2007 Caterpillar diesel engine to be used in several classes taught in its agriculture department.

Thanks to the generosity of Caterpillar Inc. and its representative Mr. Steve Hitch from the Global Service Learning &

Performance Division in Peoria, IL, and Mr. Ron Garber from Ransome Equipment in Bensalem, PA, **Northern** students will be able to learn and work with up to date equipment.

The engine is one of the first Environmental Protection Agency certified engines with ACERT technology.

ACERT technology is an

emissions management technology that has set the standard for clean diesel technology.

Agriculture education teachers Michael Hlubik and William Hilgendorff will use the engine in Advanced Agriculture Mechanics, Equipment Maintenance, and the newest course starting next fall, Diesel Engines and Turf Machinery Repair.

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Splash Down

The countdown of how many days there are left in middle school is over.

Over 280 eighth graders have advanced from middle school into high school and celebrated with a picnic and a day of outdoor fun.

Students enjoyed swimming, softball, soccer, basketball and a barbecue with all the trimmings.

Even better was that the class raised the money for the trip through activities held during the school year.

The eighth grade class enjoyed an outing at Saw Mill Park in Chesterfield.



Spring Sports Wrap-Up

Each sports season, Northern is pleased to recognize so many outstanding student athletes. This spring was no exception.

The following students received *First Team All Star* selection or were recognized for other honors.

Baseball All Stars

Abhi Chandel, 12th grade
Zack Koss, 12th grade
Ian Moyer, 10th grade
Chris Pula, 10th grade
Russ Stupienski, 12th grade

Softball All Stars

Lindsey Rohn, 11th grade
Jessica Wood, 10th grade

Boys' Lacrosse All Stars

Steve Knezick, 11th grade
J.J. Schmitt, 12th grade
Wade Veselka, 12th grade

Girls' Lacrosse All Stars

Lauren Pigott, 10th grade

Also in lacrosse, seniors Dana Higgins and Shannon Pennock were selected to play in the Women's Lacrosse Club of South

Jersey senior showcase game.

Boys' Track All Stars

Mike Bowden, 11th grade
Blake Campbell, 12th grade
Andre DeCastro, 12th grade
Jarrett East-Brown, 12th grade
Saidu Mustapha, 12th grade
Thaddeus Richards, 10th grade
Dave Specca, 12th grade
Chris Tomori, 12th grade

Girls' Track All Stars

Ariel Woodard-Stephens, 12th grade

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Senior Awards for Excellence - NBC High School Departments

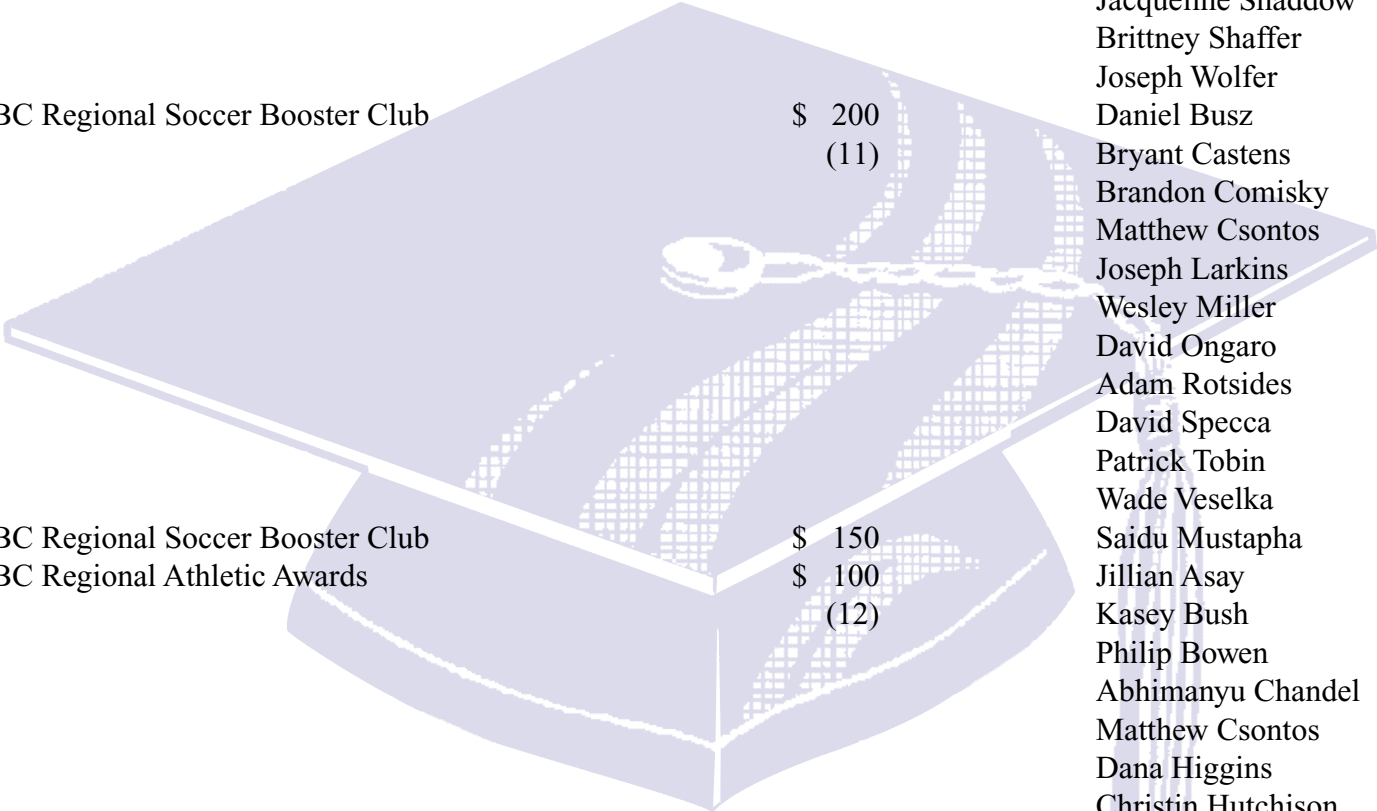
Agriculture	Annaliese Gancarz	Language - Spanish	Ian King
Applied Technology	William Carlin	Mathematics	Dale Dombrowski
Art - 3D	Hahnnah Park	Music - Choral	Andria Caruso
Art - 2D	Matthew Pembleton	Music - Instrumental	Morgan Hochschild
Business	Nicholas Archer	Music - Instrumental	Sage Hochschild
Computer Science	Dale Dombrowski	Science	Victoria Castens
English	Molly McMenamin	Social Studies	Megan Molnar
Family & Consumer Sciences	Kaytlyn Micinski	Student Council	Zara Mauss
Health & Physical Education	Andrew McMullen	Theatre Arts	Alissa Razzano
Language - Chinese	Natalie Davis	Video Production	Anthony Bono
Language - French	Victoria Mosca	Outstanding Cooperative Business Education Student	Kimberly Davis
Language - German	Matthew Mazzaferro	National Art Honor Society	
		Senior Service Award	Emine Gungor

NBC Regional High School Scholarships and Awards

	Award		Recipient
	<i>Athletic Associations</i>		
NBC Regional Wrestling Booster Club	\$ 250 (7)		Philip Bowen Anthony Lentini Robert Melton Jared Morris Jessica Nutt Thomas Regan Joseph Wolfer
NBC Regional Football Booster Club	\$ 200 (13)		John Bauma Jarrett East-Brown Blake Campbell Kevin Clark Andre DeCastro Steve Ferrara Josert Fonseca Zachary Fray Kirkland Hamilton Anthony Lentini Robert Melton Shelley Mitchell Victoria Mosca

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Athletic Associations (Continued)



NBC Regional Football Booster Club	\$ 200 (5)	Alexandra O'Dell Daniel Reinis Jacqueline Shaddow Brittney Shaffer Joseph Wolfer
NBC Regional Soccer Booster Club	\$ 200 (11)	Daniel Busz Bryant Castens Brandon Comisky Matthew Csontos Joseph Larkins Wesley Miller David Ongaro Adam Rotsides David Specca Patrick Tobin Wade Veselka
NBC Regional Soccer Booster Club	\$ 150	Saidu Mustapha
NBC Regional Athletic Awards	\$ 100 (12)	Jillian Asay Kasey Bush Philip Bowen Abhimanyu Chandel Matthew Csontos Dana Higgins Christin Hutchison Ian King Megan Molnar Victoria Mosca Christopher Tomori Wade Veselka Kelly Walsh Ariel Woodard-Stephens
NJSIAA ETS Scholar Athlete	Certificate (2)	Megan Molnar Dale Dombrowski
U.S. Army Reserve Scholar Athlete	Certificate (2)	Jillian Asay Abhimanyu Chandel
U.S. Marines Scholar Athlete	Certificate (2)	Kasey Bush David Specca
NJSIAA Scholar Athlete	Certificate	Christin Hutchison

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So. Jersey Coaches of Boys Sportsmanship Award	Certificate	David Ongaro
So. Jersey Coaches of Girls Scholar Athlete	Certificate	Kaitlynn Carty

Business & Professional Organization

Pinelands Nursery Heroes of Oct. 12th Scholarship	\$ 1,000	Annaliese Gancarz
Four Seasons at Mapleton Civic Association Award	\$ 500	Julia Labrum
Mansfield Area Senior Citizens Scholarship	\$ 500	David Hardy
CRAFTS of New Jersey Scholarship	\$ 350	Thomas Regan
Donna Don's Hair Salon Scholarship	\$ 300	Leslie Hodovan
Beneficial Bank Scholarship	\$ 250	Bryan Beaver
Columbus Grange Scholarship	\$ 200	Victoria Castens
CRAFTS of New Jersey Scholarship	\$ 150	William Carlin

Family & Individual Memorials

Timothy Greco Memorial Scholarship - Computers	\$ 2,500	Dale Dombrowski
Timothy Greco Memorial Scholarship - Mansfield	\$ 2,500	Abhimanyu Chandel
Joseph A. Sakach Memorial Scholarship - NBC Faculty & Staff	\$ 1,000 (5)	Margaret Ford
		Michael Lopez
		Molly McMenamin
		Jennifer Reed
		Kelly Walsh
		Chanel Correa
Michael D. Burns Memorial Scholarship - Class of '92	\$ 700	Laura Ussery
Julie S. Clayton Scholarship - Thomas McGuire Foundation	\$ 500	Thomas Hlubik
Austin Lovenduski FFA Memorial Scholarship	\$ 500	Annaliese Gancarz
Parker Farms Memorial Scholarship	\$ 500	David Hardy
The Clare Shaltis Award	\$ 500	Anthony Bono
David J. Beismann Scholarship - NBC Class of '92	\$ 400	Christin Hutchison
Claire Ross Memorial Scholarship	\$ 400	Eryn Reimer
Kelly Ann Maxwell Memorial Honor Society Scholarship	\$ 350	Emily Gaudette
Linda & David Rosenthal Scholarship for Performing Arts	\$ 250 (2)	David Hardy
		David Hardy
Stewart Davis Scholarship - Joan Palitz	\$ 250	Christin Hutchison
Patel & Sons, Chhotubhai & Deviben Patel Memorial Award for Highest Math Average	\$ 201	
Patel & Sons, Chhotubhai & Deviben Patel Memorial Award for Highest Science Average	\$ 201	Molly McMenamin

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Family & Individual Memorials (Continued)

Michele Russo-Miller Memorial Scholarship, Class of '89 - Betty Kucowski & Friends	\$ 200	Brittney Shaffer
Patel & Sons, Chhotubhai & Deviben Patel Memorial Award for Citizenship	\$ 151	Stephanie DiMeglio

Fraternal & Service Organizations

McGuire Officers' Spouses' Club Scholarship	\$ 2,000	Christin Hutchison
McGuire Officers' Spouses' Club Scholarship	\$ 1,500	Emily Gaudette
Northern Burlington Regional Chamber of Commerce Business Award	\$ 1,500	Kaitlynn Carty
Bordentown Area Rotary Club Scholarship	\$ 1,000	Kasey Bush
	(2)	Kelly Himes
McGuire Officers' Spouses' Club Scholarship	\$ 1,000	Joseph Wolfer
No. Burlington Regional Chamber of Commerce Art Award	\$ 1,000	Matthew Pembleton
Wrightstown Area Rotary Club - John M. Collins Memorial Scholarship	\$ 1,000	Kaitlynn Carty
	(3)	Molly McMenamin
Allentown/No. Hanover Fraternal Order of Police Award	\$ 500	Kelly Walsh
	(2)	Samantha Hindman
Chesterfield Township Hose Co. - Ladies Auxiliary Award	\$ 500	Joseph Larkins
Jacobstown Volunteer Fire Co. Auxiliary Award	\$ 500	Kelly Walsh
Leonard Sexton Memorial Post #6590 Ladies' Auxiliary Award	\$ 500	Amanda Beaver
Leonard Sexton Memorial Post #6590 VFW Award	\$ 500	Victoria Castens
Springfield Township Fire Co. - Ladies' Auxiliary Award	\$ 500	Molly McMenamin
Red Hat Society Award	\$ 300	Christina Kapsimalis
Chesterfield Township Historical Society Award	\$ 250	Jennifer Reed
		Molly McMenamin

Government Organizations

United States Air Force Academy	\$477,750	Jared Morris
U.S. Coast Guard Academy	\$280,000	Ian King
U.S. Marine Corps College Fund	\$ 50,000	Joseph Henry
Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholars Award	\$ 1,000	Anthony Bono
	(6)	Kasey Bush
		Kaitlynn Carty
		Victoria Castens
		Mollie Cochran
		Dale Dombrowski

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Government Organizations (Continued)

Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholars Award	\$ 1,000 (4)	Kevin Hardiman Ian King Molly McMenamin Hahnnah Park Morgan Hochschild Sage Hochschild
Semper Fidelis Award for Music Excellence	Certificate (2)	Morgan Hochschild Sage Hochschild

High School Organizations

NBC Regional Band Booster Association	\$ 500 (2)	Morgan Hochschild Sage Hochschild
NBC Regional Bus Drivers' Award	\$ 500 (2)	Celeste Bercy Chad Giberson
NBC Regional Parent Teacher Student Connection	\$ 500 (4)	Anthony Bono Kaitlynn Carty Jonathan Hibbard Zara Mauss
NBC Regional Student Council Awards	\$ 500 (7)	Jillian Asay Kaitlynn Carty Tiffani Lynch Zara Mauss Molly McMenamin Robert Melton Shannon Pennock
NBC Regional Renaissance Scholarship	\$ 400 (2)	Kristen Gordon Megan Molnar
NBC Regional National Honor Society Scholarship	\$ 300 (3)	Dale Dombrowski Kelly Himes
NBC Regional Tri-M Music Honor Society Award	\$ 300 (2)	Molly McMenamin Morgan Hochschild Sage Hochschild
NBC Regional B.L.C. Award	\$ 250 (2)	Anthony Reid Tenesha Richardson
NBC Future Teacher of Social Studies Award	\$ 250	Courtney Beebe

PTA's & Other School Organizations

Chesterfield Public Education Fund Scholarship	\$ 750 (2)	Jessica Hart Thomas Hlubik
Chesterfield Township Education Association Award	\$ 750	Molly McMenamin

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PTA's & Other School Organizations (Continued)

C.B. Lamb PTA & Joseph F. McDonald Award	\$ 500 (2)	Melissa Rodgers Courtney Beebe
Chesterfield Elementary School PTA Award	\$ 500 (3)	Jillian Asay Thomas Hlubik Molly McMenamin
Columbus Home & School Association Award	\$ 500	Kasey Bush
No. Hanover Township Education Association Award	\$ 500 (2)	Emily Gaudette Tiffani Lynch
Springfield Township Home & School Assn. Award	\$ 500 (2)	Mollie Cochran David Specca
Springfield Township School & Community Educational Foundation, Inc. Award	\$ 400 (6)	James Chin Laura Hermesmann Wesley Miller Kevin Sobotka Lindsey Webster
Mansfield Township Education Association Award	\$ 250	David Ongaro
Springfield Township Education Association Award	\$ 250	James Chin

Other Scholarships & Awards As Reported By Graduates

Pamplin College of Business Merit Scholarship	\$ 4,000	Matthew Csontos
Communication Workers of America Local #1032	\$ 1,000	Neal Patel
Dodge Truck Scholarship - National FFA Foundation	\$ 1,000	Ryan Pribell
Burlington County Counselors Association - I Care Award	Certificate	Jennifer Reed


Grants & Scholarships Awarded by Colleges & Universities

American Musical & Dramatic Academy	\$ 500	Jeff Scolley
Arcadia University	\$ 72,000	Laura Ussery
Burlington County College	Full Tuition	Angela Barbero
	Full Tuition	Gia Barbero
	\$ 1,000	Brandon Crawford
	Full Tuition	Zachary Fray
	Full Tuition	Malerie Hausser
	Full Tuition	Morgan Hochschild
	Full Tuition	Sage Hochschild
	\$ 500	Landon Jones

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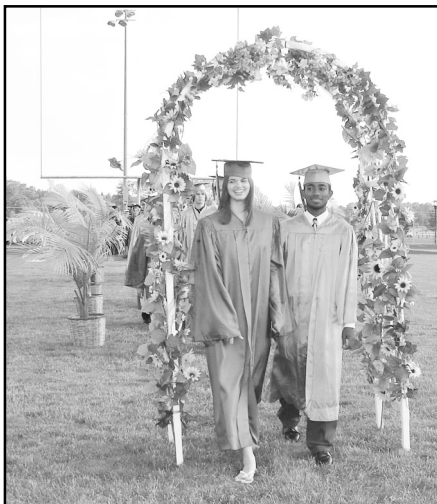


Burlington County College	Full Tuition	Zachary Koss
	\$ 4,800	Zara Mauss
	\$ 600	Wesley Miller
Catholic University of America	\$ 69,200	Bryant Castens
Colorado School of Mines	Full Tuition	Kaitlynn Carty
Cornell University	\$ 28,400	Victoria Castens
Delaware Valley College	\$ 40,000	Bryan Beaver
Eastern University	\$ 40,000	Abigail Desilva
Georgian Court University	\$ 58,000	Cassandra Trendell
Gwynedd Mercy College	\$ 20,000	Jonathan Schmitt
Howard University	Full Tuition	Cory Dashiell
Ithaca College	\$ 24,000	Kelly Walsh
Kean University	Full Tuition	David Ongaro
Kutztown University	\$ 800	Paul Mandilian
Lehigh University	\$ 14,000	Philip Bowen
Mercer County Community College	Full Tuition	Nicholas Archer
Messiah College	\$ 32,000	Laura Hermesmann
	\$ 63,800	Tiffani Lynch
Monmouth University	\$ 32,000	Robert Kirk
	\$ 52,000	Rachel Leedy
	\$ 48,750	Marie Worsham
Mount Olive College	\$ 19,750	Ariel Woodard-Stephens
Neumann College	\$ 22,500	Amanda Beaver
	\$ 32,000	Shelley Mitchell
New York University	\$ 46,040	Kasey Bush
Northeastern University	\$ 500	James Chin
Penn State University	\$ 21,000	Nicholas Doremus
Pennsylvania College of Technology	\$ 1,000	Ryan Pribell
Philadelphia University	\$ 32,000	Taylor Bell-Branchcomb
Randolph-Macon College	\$ 64,500	Jillian Asay
Rider University	\$ 18,500	Andrew McMullen

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Rider University	\$ 14,800	Victoria Mosca
Rutgers University	\$ 20,260	Morili Kameron Azeez
	\$ 20,000	Thomas Hlubik
Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville	\$ 500	Casey Ellis
St. John's University	\$ 33,000	Neal Patel
St. Joseph's University	\$ 30,000	Nicholas Hornyak
Stevens Institute of Technology	\$ 89,000	Dale Dombrowski
Temple University	\$ 10,000	Andrew Beraquit
The College of New Jersey	\$ 36,500	Kevin Hardiman
	\$ 500	Matthew Pembleton
The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey	Full Tuition	Kevin Sobotka
University of California, Los Angeles	\$ 36,000	Hahnnah Park
University of Colorado, Boulder	\$ 16,000	Mollie Cochran
University of Delaware	\$ 32,000	Michael Lopez
University of Hawaii	\$ 96,000	Anthony Bono
University of the Arts, Philadelphia	\$ 40,000	Ronnie Kustrup
Valley Forge Military Academy	\$ 24,000	Jarrett East-Brown
Virginia Tech University	\$ 4,000	Matthew Csontos
Washington College	\$ 40,000	Allison Normile
Westminster College	\$ 60,750	Megan King



Noteworthy at NBC

Most Courageous Athlete

The Burlington County Athletic Trainers have honored Saidu Mustapha as this year's Most Courageous Athlete.

Saidu, a three-sport athlete at **Northern** has had to overcome the kinds of challenges most American teenagers can't even imagine.

His parents sent him to the United States from Sierra Leone, Africa during the civil war of 2001.

He was never in a classroom before he was 12 years old. He taught himself English, and has worked while going to different schools and moving from family member to family member and state to state.

This year, after his uncle died, Saidu was taken in by the Specca family so that he could finish his schooling and graduate from **Northern**.

All That Jazz

Congratulations to seniors David Hardy and Chris Sichel who received scholarships to the Berklee Summer Jazz Program in Boston.

Berklee College of Music is the world's largest independent music college for the study of contemporary music.

All South Jersey Choir

Congratulations to the eleven students who qualified for the All South Jersey Choir.

They were:

Juniors: Brigit Bauma, Lauren Delfing

Sophomores: Zachary Hochschild, Jessica

Marcinkowski, Josh Muscella

Freshmen: Matthew Bunting, Erin Chamberlin, Jessica Clayton, Emily Cochran, Megan Lisa, Samantha Nixon



Dr. Virginia Magnus

Making Her Mark

Congratulations to Dr. Virginia Magnus, who has been singled out as Teacher of the Year by the New Jersey Association for Supervision & Curriculum Development.

Dr. Magnus has taught high school English at **Northern** for 22 years and has also served as a department supervisor during her tenure.

More Music Honors

Northern's Jazz Ensemble took home a second place trophy for their championship performance at the State Jazz Band Finals in April.

The following students received trophies.

Seniors: Brian Cahill, Dale Dombrowski, David Hardy, Landon Jones, Mike Swangler

Juniors: Jennifer Asselin, Brian Calvert, Anthony DeCarlo, Jason Dolan, Blair Kokotajlo **Sophomore:** Jamie Smith **Freshmen:** Dylan Butchin, Conner Byrnes.

AP Prowess

Northern Burlington offers several *Advanced Placement (AP)* courses for which students opt to take *AP* exams hoping to earn college credits while still in high school.

When students score high enough, colleges award credit and the College Board issues *AP* Awards that students may cite among their credentials on applications and resumes.

Northern students' scores beat the national averages in eight *AP tests*: Music Theory, Computer Science, Biology, U.S. History, Statistics, English Literature, Calculus, and English Composition.

A Homecoming to Remember

A Soldier's Surprise Reunion

Courtney Pabst was a typical seventh grader at **Northern Burlington Middle School** except for the fact that her dad was an Air Force serviceman stationed at Camp Taji, Iraq and he had been overseas for about eight months.

When Courtney's dad, Technical Sergeant Michael Pabst, arrived home early March from deployment, a plan was hatched.

With his wife's approval and the help of the middle school staff, TSgt. Pabst made a surprise visit to his daughter at school. Called to the office for a conference, Courtney Pabst was quickly all smiles and tears.



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