

Freedom Grads ---> Future Stars

Louis Dubovi, a 2016 Freedom graduate, attended the Community College of Beaver County (CCBC) and Community College of the Air Force (CCAF). While at Freedom, he was a member of the Big Red Marching Band, voted Homecoming King and also participated in DECA, Physics Club, and Math League. He was a National Honor Society member and competed on the wrestling team. Louis graduated as Valedictorian and class President. He was DECA State Officer and National competitor in 2015 and 2016.

Louis graduated Summa Cum Laude in 2018 with an Associate of Science Degree from CCBC and graduated in 2020 with an Associate of Survival Degree from CCAF. While at CCBC, he was awarded an Honors Scholarship and was involved in the CCBC Scholars Program.

Currently, Louis is serving in the U.S. Air Force as a Survival, Evasion, Resistance, and Escape (SERE) Specialist. The process to become a SERE Specialist is, both physically and mentally, one of the most challenging training pipelines offered by the Department of Defense. Annually, an average of only 10% of all recruits successfully make it through to become SERE Specialists. His job is to train pilots and Special Warfare Airman and prepare them for the worst case scenario: they become isolated behind enemy lines.

Louis' thoughts on Freedom. "At Freedom, I felt like my teachers would always go out of their way to help their students. They were always willing to put in the extra time to ensure every student could be successful. The example put forth by my teachers inspired me to pursue my own career in education (although my classroom tends to have a few more trees than theirs).

Additionally, the teaching staff was very involved in extra-curricular activities so despite the small size of the school, there was always a plethora of clubs and activities ranging from theater competitions to robotics. Perhaps the best part of the Freedom School District is the sense of community that unifies students from all backgrounds. Whether it be the Homecoming celebration, in the classroom, or any of the numerous clubs offered, I always felt like I belonged. The small class sizes allow for friendships to be built across an entire graduating class. Finally, my education at Freedom prepared me for a successful future. AP courses, College in High School classes, and life lessons from caring and dedicated teachers all helped give me a solid foundation that opened the door to just about any opportunity I could have asked for."