

## Andrew Joseph Duncan (8th-12th)



My Camden experience, to this day is one I will always remember. October 7th, 2013 was the first day I arrived at CMA. Man, was that an influential day for me, but at the time I didn't notice what Camden had planned for me. Although I came here a little boy, this place put Respect, Discipline, and Work Ethic into my life, and has taught me so much in what seems to have been such a short time. This place has opened doors for me that I am ever so grateful for. I am so thankful for my parents who helped me back on my feet and sent me to this "Eye-Opener" of a school. :)



## Rauj Mac Montenegro (9th-12th)



Camden Military Academy and my fellow cadets have molded me into the person I am today. I still remember my first day. I was completely terrified because this was a new environment for me, and it was too much to handle. If it wasn't for my chain of command my first year, I don't think I would have come back to CMA. I thank the Lord that I have these good friends graduating with me this year.



## Matthew Randall Rush (9th-12th)



My fondest memory at Camden Military Academy was my first year when my whole chain of command came into my room, after getting everything unpacked and they asked me, "Are you anything like your brother?" I had already encountered this question a good four or five times that day already but this time it felt different and boy was it different. If I had said yes then I would definitely would not have been given the opportunity to get as far as I did during my time here at CMA. After the first two weeks though, my Captain came up to me, shook my hand and said, "Thank god you aren't like your brother!" I had finally left my brother's shadow and started to make my own reputation.



## Joseph Shane Smithwick II (9th-12th)



My first day at CMA was the most dynamic experience of my entire life. When my mom hugged me and left, and I watched that car pull off, I thought I was on my own. A "New Boy" at a military school sounded like a horror movie, but when I saw all the people that were going through the same thing as I was, I was overcome with happiness. These past few years I've made a group of life-long friends... My family. Being here has taught me that no matter what you go through in life, you're never alone.

