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Events		<h2>Alison Mensing selected student speaker for Governors State commencement</h2>					
Production Procedures		University Park, May 18, 2004 – Governors State University announced the selection of Alison Mensing as student speaker for the university's Sunday, June 6, commencement ceremony today. Mensing, who currently teaches kindergarten in School District 170 in Chicago Heights, is receiving her bachelor's degree in elementary education from the university's College of Education.					
Image Standards		She graduates with High Honors.					
Font and Typeface Guidelines		University Provost Paul Keys said, "High Honors represents the highest level of academic achievement at Governors State." Keys said the minimum GPA for graduation with High Honors is 3.95. Mensing's is a perfect 4.0.					
Editorial Style Guide		Mensing consistently made the university's Dean's List while a student at GSU, continuing a long line of academic distinction. At South Suburban College, she was recognized as a President's Scholar and was inducted into Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society of the two-year college. At GSU, she is a charter member of the Gamma Sigma Upsilon chapter of the Alpha Sigma Lambda Honor Society, an adult learning honor society that recognizes undergraduate adult learners who consistently demonstrate academic excellence.					
Downloads		Mensing is one of two GSU student commencement speakers. She will speak for the university's colleges of Education and Business and Public Administration. She will share the podium with Reverend Jesse Jackson, Sr., who will receive an honorary degree, Doctor of Humane Letters, at the commencement ceremony.					
Photography		Mensing is a resident of Oak Forest. She credits her family: husband David; sons David, Michael, and Daniel; daughter Margaret; and her church "family" with the support and encouragement to complete her education.					
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