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Included below is a press release regarding Ferris Fest, an end-of-the-year day of activities offering “something for everyone,” including an appearance by pop music sensation Ryan Cabrera and Extreme Air, a skydiving simulator. Further information is available by contacting Leah Nixon.

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### **Ferris Fest ‘ends the school year with a bang’**

BIG RAPIDS – Ferris Fest is set to help the community, faculty and students “End the Year with a Bang” April 22 on the Campus Quad with everything from Live Band Karaoke to Extreme Air, a skydiving simulator.

The annual event is a staple for everyone to come together, have some fun and end the school year on a positive note, said Entertainment Unlimited Special Events Coordinator Amanda Bryer.

Activities for the event, hosted by Entertainment Unlimited in collaboration with the campus community, will run the gamut, offering “something for everyone,” she added.

The schedule includes a picnic lunch from noon to 2 p.m., which is free for Ferris students with a Dining Services meal plan and \$5 for the general public. La La from MTV will be on hand at the event’s main stage to introduce events throughout the day. This year’s main stage performers will be students during Live Band Karaoke beginning at 12:15, hip hop group Black Violin beginning at 2 p.m., up and coming country musicians Ryan Shupe and the Rubber Band beginning at 3:30 p.m. and pop music sensation Ryan Cabrera beginning at 5 p.m.

In between acts on the main stage, Ferris student musicians will perform 15- to 20-minute shows on a second stage on the opposite end of the Quad.

Other activities available throughout the day will include Registered Student Organization and vendor tables, mechanical bull riding, bouncy boxing, an inflatable obstacle course, henna tattoos, photo postcards and caricature artists.

“This is a diverse, family-friendly activity that we encourage everyone to come out and enjoy,” said Matt Eickhoff, Student Engagement and Activities coordinator.

Added Bryer, “This is a great way for the students and the community to come together and end the school year.”

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