

*Graduate "Walk of Honor"*  
*Wednesday, June 10, 2020*

*HEB Park*  
*1616 S. Raul Longoria Rd #9169*  
*Edinburg, Texas 78542*

*8:00 p.m.*

*South Texas ISD World Scholars  
Commencement Exercises*

*Pledge of Allegiance*

*Abraham Michael Rodriguez, Senior Class President  
Larah Vanessa Gonzalez, Class Treasurer*

*Pledge to Texas Flag*

*Jalixa Aliyah Moreno, Senior Class Vice President*

*National Anthem*

*Leila Natalia Teniente*

*Welcome*

*Marco Antonio Lara, Jr., Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools  
Douglas E. Buchanan, Board President*

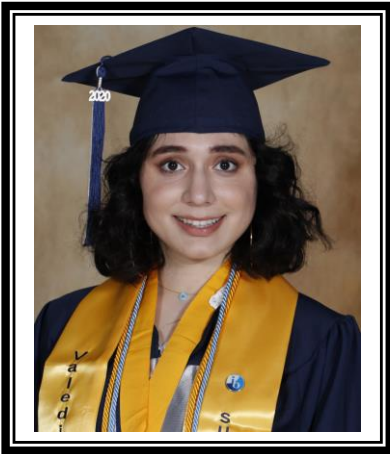
*Presentation of Graduates and  
Graduate "Walk of Honors"*

*Marcos L. Flores*

*Closing*

*Efrain Garza, Principal*

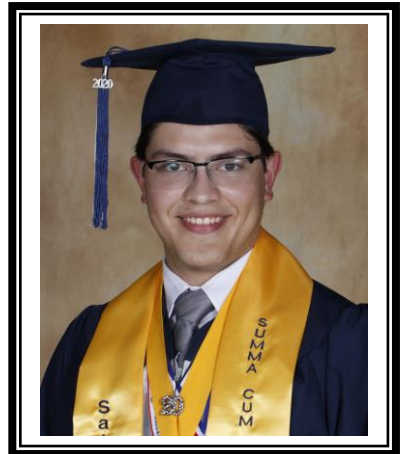
*Valedictorian*



*Yasmine Husain*

*South Texas ISD Board of Directors*

*Salutatorian*



*Felipe Alfredo Valdez*

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Marco Antonio Lara, Jr., Ed.D.....Superintendent  
 Jeff Hembree.....Deputy Superintendent  
 Marla R. Knaub.....Assistant Superintendent for Finance  
 Lissa Frausto.....Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources  
 Juan Pablo Villarreal.....Administrator for Support Services  
 Amanda Odom.....Administrator for Public Relations & Marketing

**World Scholars Administration**

Efrain Garza.....Principal  
 Marcos L. Flores.....Assistant Principal  
 Neryeda Trevino.....Assistant Principal  
 Victoria Marin.....IB Administrator

**Counselors**

Kimberly Garza.....Counselor  
 Julie Ramos.....Counselor  
 Christina Sprawls.....Counselor

**2019-2020 Class Sponsors**

Juan Alvarado.....CTE Teacher  
 May Blanco.....Science Teacher  
 School Colors.....Navy Blue and Silver

## South Texas ISD World Scholars - Class of 2020

<i>Yasmine Husain (Mission)</i>	<i>University of Texas at Austin</i>	α Ⓢ ❖ ◇ 📖
<i>Felipe Alfredo Valdez (Pharr)</i>	<i>University of Texas at Austin</i>	β Ⓢ ❖ ◇ 📖 Ⓢ
<i>Reuben Yirenkyi Abu (Edinburg)</i>	<i>Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute</i>	Ⓢ ❖ 📖 ◇ Ⓢ
<i>Abigail Erin Alvarez (Mission)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓢ ❖ 📖
<i>Leopoldo Alvarez (Edinburg)</i>	<i>South Texas College</i>	❖
<i>Antonio Andres Amezaga Herrera Blanc (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓢ ❖
<i>Thaily Adamary Arredondo Hernandez (Weslaco)</i>	<i>Work Force</i>	Ⓢ ❖ Ⓢ
<i>Sofia Del Carmen Arredondo (Edcouch)</i>	<i>Texas A&amp;M College Station</i>	Ⓢ ❖ ◇ 📖 Ⓢ
<i>Michael Arteaga (Donna)</i>	<i>University of Texas San Antonio</i>	Ⓢ ❖ Ⓢ
<i>Esteban Diego Ayala (McAllen)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓢ ❖ ◇
<i>Ana Rebeca Ayala-Garza (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓢ ❖ ◇ 📖 ◇ Ⓢ
<i>Walaa Ayoubi (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓢ ❖
<i>Jaret Osmel Azuara (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓢ ❖
<i>Sergio Sebastian Bueno (San Benito)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	❖
<i>Elida Aleyda Bustos (San Juan)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	❖
<i>John Christopher Cano (Elsa)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	❖ ◇ Ⓢ
<i>Miriam Danielle Alici Casas (Edinburg)</i>	<i>Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University</i>	Ⓢ ❖ ◇ 📖 ◇ Ⓢ
<i>Deany Alexis Castro (Brownsville)</i>	<i>Baylor University</i>	Ⓢ ❖ ◇ 📖 Ⓢ
<i>Fatima Castro (Edinburg)</i>	<i>Texas A&amp;M College Station</i>	Ⓢ ❖ ◇ 📖 Ⓢ Ⓢ
<i>Paloma Sheccid Castro-Romero (Pharr)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓢ ❖ ◇ 📖 Ⓢ Ⓢ Ⓢ
<i>Itzmaray Cerda (Pharr)</i>	<i>Brigham Young University Idaho</i>	Ⓢ ❖
<i>Maria Fernanda Charles Gonzalez (Mission)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓢ ❖ 📖 Ⓢ
<i>Paola Yanneth Chaverry (McAllen)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓢ ❖ ◇ Ⓢ
<i>David Homero Contreras (Mission)</i>	<i>Blinn College</i>	Ⓢ ❖ ◇ 📖 Ⓢ

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<i>Jorge Alberto Cortez, Jr. (Harlingen)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	❖
<i>Javan Obadiah De Leon (Weslaco)</i>	<i>Tarrant County College</i>	Ⓒ❖
<i>Michael Ryan Del Rio (Mission)</i>	<i>Texas A&amp;M at Corpus Christi</i>	Ⓐ❖📖⊕
<i>Vanessa Magaly Del Toro (McAllen)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓢ❖📖⊕⊕
<i>Daniela Delgado (McAllen)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓢ❖⊕⊕
<i>Carlos Antonio Dominguez (Mercedes)</i>	<i>University of Texas San Antonio</i>	Ⓢ❖⊕📖⊕
<i>Jennifer Vanessa Escamilla (Pharr)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓢ❖⊕📖⊕
<i>Yadira Esquivel (Alamo)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓢ❖⊕📖⊕
<i>Alejandro Isaac Fernandez (McAllen)</i>	<i>University of Permian Basin</i>	Ⓐ❖⊕📖⊕⊕⊕
<i>Juan Ezequiel Flores (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓐ❖
<i>Sabina Marie Flores (McAllen)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓐ❖⊕⊕
<i>Nima Francis (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓐ❖⊕📖⊕
<i>Carlos Andree Galindo Godínez (Mission)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓢ❖⊕📖⊕
<i>Abdair Garcia Martinez (San Benito)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	❖
<i>Sarahi Garcia (Mission)</i>	<i>South Texas College</i>	❖
<i>Kaleb Nicholas Garza (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓒ❖⊕
<i>Omar Alexander Garza (McAllen)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	❖
<i>Peter Daniel Geraldo (La Feria)</i>	<i>TSTC Harlingen</i>	❖
<i>Daniela Alejandra Gomez (Pharr)</i>	<i>University of Texas at Austin</i>	Ⓢ❖⊕📖⊕⊕⊕
<i>Antoni Joel Gonzalez (Mission)</i>	<i>Northwest Vista College</i>	Ⓐ❖
<i>Sofia Isabelle Gonzalez Davila (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓢ❖📖⊕⊕⊕
<i>Jysela Alejandra Gonzalez (McAllen)</i>	<i>Air Force</i>	Ⓢ❖⊕📖⊕
<i>Larafi Vanessa Gonzalez (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas at Austin</i>	Ⓢ❖⊕📖⊕
<i>Alexis Guerrero (Weslaco)</i>	<i>Work Force</i>	Ⓐ❖📖

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<i>David Lee Guzman (Mission)</i>	<i>Culinary Institute of America</i>	❖
<i>Gunner Sebastian Hauer (San Juan)</i>	<i>Texas A&amp;M Corpus Christi</i>	🏆❖📖📖🕒🕒🕒
<i>Ailyn Kate Hernández Guzman (Edinburg)</i>	<i>Texas A&amp;M Corpus Christi</i>	Ⓒ❖📖
<i>Samantha Guadalupe Herrera (Pharr)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	📖❖📖🏆
<i>Zachary Allen Casey Herrera (La Feria)</i>	<i>University of Texas San Antonio</i>	📖❖📖📖🕒
<i>Mariafermanda Hinojosa (Hidalgo)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓒ❖🏆
<i>Lizeth Ruby Hughbanks (McAllen)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	📖❖📖🏆
<i>Susana Ibarra Amaya (Pharr)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	📖❖📖🏆
<i>Mariah Jeanette Jasso (Weslaco)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	❖
<i>Matt Ezekiel Juarez (San Benito)</i>	<i>University of Texas Austin</i>	📖❖📖📖🕒
<i>Marco Isaac Kiddler (Alton)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆❖📖🏆
<i>Ivy Mariam Larraga (Pharr)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	📖❖📖🕒🕒
<i>Emily Bryana Leal (Donna)</i>	<i>South Texas College</i>	❖
<i>Abraham Loera (Weslaco)</i>	<i>South Texas College</i>	❖🏆
<i>Juan Carlos Lopez (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓒ❖📖
<i>Elizabeth Lozoya (Weslaco)</i>	<i>Texas State University</i>	📖❖📖🏆
<i>Jolene Abigail Lucio (San Benito)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	❖
<i>Ruben Aidan Luna (McAllen)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	❖
<i>Maria Fernanda Manzano (McAllen)</i>	<i>South Texas College</i>	🏆❖
<i>Alejandro Rae Martinez (Donna)</i>	<i>United States Air Force</i>	📖❖📖📖🕒🕒🕒
<i>Leonardo Fabian Martinez (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	❖
<i>Victoria Alexandria Mata (Alamo)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓒ❖
<i>Ramon Meade (McAllen)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	Ⓒ❖📖🏆

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<i>Savannah Jade Mena (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆❖◇📖🕒🌐
<i>Gianna Mauren Mendez (McAllen)</i>	<i>Texas State University</i>	🏆❖◇📖🕒🌐🌐
<i>Angelica Mendoza (Weslaco)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆❖📖🕒🌐
<i>Nataly Victoria Meza (Elsa)</i>	<i>University of Texas at Austin</i>	🏆❖📖🌐
<i>Mina Isbell Montes Miranda (McAllen)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	❖◇🌐
<i>Rafael Moran, III (McAllen)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆❖🌐
<i>Jalixa Altyah Moreno (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆❖◇📖🕒🌐🌐
<i>Glen Anthony Morgan (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆❖❖🌐
<i>Courtney Thithien Nguyen (Pharr)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆❖◇🕒
<i>Diego Manuel Nino (Harlingen)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆❖
<i>Ramon Eduardo Nunez (Hidalgo)</i>	<i>Tecnologico de Monterrey</i>	🏆❖❖🌐
<i>Angelina Pena (McAllen)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆❖❖🌐
<i>Moses Alexander Pena (Edinburg)</i>	<i>Neumont College of Computer Science</i>	🏆❖📖◇
<i>Elisa Perez Jaber (Mission)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	❖
<i>Brenda Lee Quintanilla (Alton)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆❖
<i>Ana Karen Ramirez (Alton)</i>	<i>South Texas College</i>	❖◇
<i>Miguel Angel Resendez (Hidalgo)</i>	<i>Texas A&amp;M University at San Antonio</i>	🏆❖◇🌐
<i>Tania Nataly Reyes (Mission)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆❖
<i>Abraham Michael Rodriguez (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas at Austin</i>	🏆❖◇📖🕒🌐
<i>Antonio Rodriguez (Mission)</i>	<i>Tecnologico de Monterrey</i>	🏆❖◇📖🌐
<i>Cristian Rodriguez (Harlingen)</i>	<i>Texas State Technical College</i>	🏆❖❖🌐
<i>Daniel Rodriguez (Mission)</i>	<i>Texas A&amp;M College Station</i>	🏆❖🌐
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<i>Stephanie Julissa Roman (Edinburg)</i>	<i>St. Edward's University</i>	📖🌟📖🏆
<i>Winter Raven Salazar (Donna)</i>	<i>South Texas College</i>	🌟
<i>Gustavo Axel Salgado Bollas (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆🌟
<i>Reynaldo Salinas, III (San Juan)</i>	<i>Work Force</i>	🌟📖🏆
<i>Dorilee Saycocie (Mission)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	📖🌟📖🌟🏆
<i>Jane Seong (McAllen)</i>	<i>Texas A&amp;M College Station</i>	📖🌟📖
<i>Ariel D Sepulveda (Pharr)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆🌟📖🏆
<i>Madison Ann Slavin (Weslaco)</i>	<i>St. Edward's University</i>	📖🌟📖🌟🏆
<i>Leila Natalia Teniente (McAllen)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆🌟📖🏆
<i>Emmy Thomas (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆🌟🌟🕒
<i>Ayleen Tijerina (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	📖🌟📖🌟🏆
<i>Rogelio Ivan Trevino (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆🌟
<i>Sheila Yadira Turruviate (Mission)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆🌟🏆
<i>Haytari Uriostegui (Weslaco)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🌟📖🏆
<i>Ashley Nicole Vasquez (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆🌟
<i>Markus Lathaniel Vela (Edinburg)</i>	<i>Texas A&amp;M Kingsville</i>	🌟📖🕒
<i>Marquess Nathaniel Vela (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆🌟📖🕒🌟🏆
<i>Joaquin Eduardo Villalon (San Benito)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆🌟📖🏆
<i>Paola Villarreal (Mission)</i>	<i>St. Edward's University</i>	📖🌟📖🌟🏆
<i>Martin Villicana (Pharr)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆🌟🏆
<i>Mario Andres Zavala (Hidalgo)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	📖🌟📖🏆
<i>Maria Del Carmen Zermeno (Edinburg)</i>	<i>United States Army</i>	📖🌟🏆
<i>Gabriela Zuniga Contreras (Edinburg)</i>	<i>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</i>	🏆🌟

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 April Gonzales  
 Cassandra Leal  
 Kyung Lee  
 Ana Perez  
 Kelley Sweeney

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 Virginia Leonardelli\*  
 Yolanda Ocasio  
 Saul Reyna  
 Rebekah Valenzuela

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 Nilda Camarena  
 Cynthia Cavazos  
 Javier Garza  
 Omar Izaguirre  
 Alejandra Luna

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 Eleazar Martinez\*  
 Reynaldo Munoz  
 Jeffrey Pierce  
 Cynthia Sarmiento  
 Ana Villarreal

\*Department Leader

**CTE Department**

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 William Prock  
 Erika Sarabia\*  
 Jannell Tite  
 Isabel Valdez

**Fine Arts****PE/Electives**

Maria Alcoser  
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 Jahaziel Cano  
 Janie Hernandez  
 Ying-Ching Jeter  
 Cassandra Martinez  
 Rozanne Martinez  
 Natalie Vidal

**Foreign Languages Department**

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 Veronica Castro  
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Jacqueline Hinojosa  
 Iliana Treviño\*

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 Alma Garza  
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 Pedro Ortegon  
 Anthony Villa

**Counseling Department**

Kimberly Garza-Counselor  
 Julie Ramos - Counselor  
 Christina Sprawls - Counselor

**Library Staff**

Nathaly Garza – Librarian  
 Mary Edna Sandoval – Librarian  
 Ann Mireles- Aide  
 Amy Elizondo – Aide  
 Maria G. Hinojosa - Aide

**Office Staff**

Marianna Reyna – School Secretary  
 Eva Mendoza – PEIMS  
 Amalia Muñoz – Bookkeeper/Purchasing Clerk

**Technology**

Eduardo Arias  
 Christian Leonardelli

# School Achievements

*Received an Accountability Rating of an "A"  
from the Texas Education Agency*

*Earned Distinction Designations for which the campus was eligible:*

*Academic Achievement in Reading/ELA,  
Academic Achievement in Mathematics,  
Academic Achievement in Science,  
Academic Achievement in Social Studies,  
Comparative Closing the Gaps, and  
Postsecondary Readiness*

*Ranked among the best schools in the state and nation in U.S.  
News & World Report's 2020 Best High Schools list*

*Ranked 50<sup>th</sup> in the state and 317<sup>th</sup> in the nation*