

# **South Texas ISD**

# **World Scholars**

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**Graduation Ceremony | Walk of Honor**



**2020-2021**





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### Graduation Ceremony | May 26, 2021

I.	Processional.....	Pomp & Circumstance
II.	Pledge of Allegiance.....	Christine Daniella Leal
III.	Pledge to Texas Flag.....	Carlo Chase Vento
IV.	National Anthem.....	Cameron Renee Contreras Esparza & Daniel Joel Porras
V.	Invocation.....	Antonio Trad - Abraham
VI.	Introduction of Board Members.....	Marco Antonio Lara, Jr., Ed.D.
VII.	Welcome and Introduction to Board.....	Douglas Buchanan, President
VIII.	Welcome from the Principal & Introduction of Salutatorian.....	San Juanita Ortiz
IX.	Salutatory Address.....	Julia Elizabeth Rodriguez
X.	Introduction of Valedictorian.....	San Juanita Ortiz
XI.	Valedictory Address.....	John Richard Smith
XII.	Certification of Graduates.....	Marco Antonio Lara, Jr., Ed.D.
XIII.	Presentation of Diplomas.....	The STISD Board of Directors
XIV.	Closing Remarks.....	San Juanita Ortiz
XV.	Recessional	



**World Scholars Class of 2021**

John Richard Smith (McAllen).....	University of Texas at Austin	A S ♦ ♦
Julia Elizabeth Rodriguez (Edinburg).....	Brown University	B S ♦ ♦
Yessica Yoana Aguas (Palmview).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	M ♦
Angel Aguila (Pharr).....	South Texas College	♦
Gerardo Aguillon, Jr. (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	M ♦
Adrian Antonio Alvarez (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	S ♦
Rodolfo Israel Arvizu (Donna).....	Undecided	♦
Dia Ayoubi (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	M ♦
Itzel Asenet Bahena-Guzman (McAllen).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	S ♦
Pedro Antonio Boone (McAllen).....	Baylor University	S ♦ ♦
Santiago Carbajal Charleston (McAllen).....	Northeastern University	S ♦ ♦
Alehandra Yameelex Castillo (Edinburg).....	Sam Houston State University	M ♦ †
Kiara Estefania Castro (Weslaco).....	The University of California - Davis	S ♦ ♦
Victoria Hermelinda Cervantes (Hidalgo).....	Undecided	♦
Jose Sebastian Charles (Mission).....	Undecided	♦ ♦
Tyee Coley (McAllen).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	♦
Casey Arthur Colyer (Donna).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	C ♦
Cameron Renee Contreras Esparza (Edinburg).....	St. Mary's University	M ♦
Raul Cortez (McAllen).....	South Texas Vo-Tech	C ♦
Addisyn Elise De la Rosa (Edinburg).....	Texas A&M College Station	S ♦ ♦
Joe Delgado (Brownsville).....	Undecided	♦
Victoria Delgado (McAllen).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	M ♦
Ely Jakob Diaz (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	C ♦
Johan Petersen Dy (McAllen).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	C ♦
Sofia Elizarraraz Moreno (McAllen).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	S ♦
Elizabeth Nicole Elizondo (Edinburg).....	South Texas College	M ♦
John Layton Escareno (Brownsville).....	The University of Texas at Austin	S ♦ ♦
Erika Jazmin Franco (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	S ♦
Andrew Galban (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	M ♦
Jacquelyn Lee-El Gallegos (Alamo).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	S ♦
Alissah Marie Garcia (La Villa).....	University of Texas at San Antonio	M ♦
Alondra Nicole Garcia (Weslaco).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	M ♦ ♦
Lonni Lee Garcia (Edinburg).....	St. Mary's University	S ♦
Luis Eduardo Garcia (Mission).....	South Texas College	♦
Macarena Garcia (Hidalgo).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	M ♦

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 ♦ - Distinguished

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Sebastian Garcia (McAllen).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	M❖◇
Skye Garcia (Edinburg).....	University of Texas at San Antonio	S❖
Anaely Garza (Edinburg).....	Undecided	❖
Armando Garza, Jr. (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	S❖◇
Derek Anthony Gomez (Pharr).....	University of Texas at Austin	S❖◇
Mariana Clarissa Gomez Reyes (Mission).....	Bowdoin College	S❖◇
Jennifer Jaqueline Gomez-Lopez (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	C❖
Hope Alexi Gonzalez (Monte Alto).....	South Texas College	C❖
Isaac Victor Gonzalez (Edinburg).....	Undecided	❖
Santiago Javier Gonzalez Franco (McAllen).....	Texas Tech University	M❖
Victor Guajardo (Mission).....	Undecided	❖
Noah Kaiden Gutierrez (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	❖
Noe Guzman, Jr. (Edcouch).....	University of Texas at San Antonio	❖
Luis Oscar Guzman-Alanis (McAllen).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	M❖◇
Tyler Dantor Hammond (Harlingen).....	University of Texas at San Antonio	❖
Casey Hernandez (Edinburg).....	University of Colorado Boulder	S❖◇
Devin Israel Hernandez (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	S❖
Edgar Alexis Hernandez (Alamo).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	❖
Yasmine Hernandez (Santa Rosa).....	Undecided	C❖
Braulio Alberto Hernandez Cantu (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	S❖
Jannie Suseth Herrera (Edinburg).....	Dallas Baptist University	M❖
Francisco Ibarra Gutierrez (McAllen).....	University of Texas at San Antonio	S❖
Maximiliano Jasso (Mercedes).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	C❖
Angelina Deni Jimenez (San Juan).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	S❖
Christine Daniella Leal (Edinburg).....	Texas A&M College Station	S❖◇
Krystal Monique Leal (San Juan).....	South Texas College	C❖
Christian Harley Lopez (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	C❖
Noe Lopez (McAllen).....	South Texas College	❖
David Lozano (La Feria).....		†
Mariah Joleen Luevano (Edinburg).....	University of Texas at San Antonio	M❖
Pamela Macias (Donna).....	South Texas College	M❖
Anuschka Rebekka Mai (McAllen).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	S❖
Ashton Elijah Gabriel Marroquin Arizpe (Pharr).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	S❖
Alejandro Saul Martinez (McAllen).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	S❖◇

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Arley Alexia Mata (Alamo).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	❖
Jared Andrew Matamoros (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	❖❖
Everardo Iram Meza (San Benito).....	Undecided	❖
John Alexander Molsbee (Weslaco).....	St. Edward's University	❖❖❖
Marcelo Emilio Montalvo (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	❖❖
Manuel Ricardo Moreno (Edinburg).....	Workforce	❖
Jenae Nicole Moya (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	❖❖❖
Oziel Ortega (Weslaco).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	❖❖❖
Natalia Ozuna (Donna).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	❖❖
Rodolfo Padron III (Edinburg).....	Universal Technical Institute	❖❖
Chloe Janelle Paiz (Edinburg).....	University of Texas at San Antonio	❖❖
Justin Pardo (Mission).....	Undecided	❖❖❖
Loren Raquelle Patino (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	❖❖❖
Andrey Pena (Mission).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	❖❖❖
Michael Lee Angelo Perez (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	❖
Sarah Perez (Mission).....	University of Texas at Austin	❖❖❖
Daniel Joel Porras (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	❖❖
Glenn Quezada Bollas (Edinburg).....	Texas Tech University	❖❖
Nancy Elizabeth Ramirez (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	❖
Cody Jacob Ramos (Monte Alto).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	❖❖
Julia Resendez (Hidalgo).....	University of Texas at Austin	❖❖❖
Derrick Thomas Reyna (Alamo).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	❖❖
Jolean Reyna (Mission).....	University of Texas at San Antonio	❖❖❖
Sanjuana Alyssa Reyna (Mission).....	University of Texas at San Antonio	❖❖❖
Edgar Rodriguez Jr. (San Juan).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	❖❖❖
Evelyn Rodriguez (San Juan).....	University of Incarnate Word	❖❖
Mary Elizabeth Rodriguez (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	❖❖
Ricardo Adrian Rodriguez (Edinburg).....	University of Texas at Austin	❖❖❖
Patricio Rojas (Mission).....	University of Texas at San Antonio	❖❖❖
Erica Ruiz (San Juan).....	South Texas College	❖

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Merardo S. Salazar (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	§❖
Josue Salgado (McAllen).....	Undecided	❖
Marco Alejandro Salinas (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	§❖
Matthew Lee Salinas (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	§❖
Patricia Salinas (McAllen).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	§❖◇
Diana Paola Salinas Tovar (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	§❖⊙
Aidan Lee Sanchez (Edinburg).....	University of Texas at Austin	Ⓒ❖
Emma Sanchez (McAllen).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	Ⓒ❖
Jessica Michelle Santa Ana (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	ℳ❖
Nicholas Robert Santiago (Mission).....	University of Texas at Dallas	ℳ❖
Mirradman Sarollahi (Edinburg).....	South Texas College	❖
Abigail May Solis (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	§❖
Severo Solis, Jr. (Edinburg).....	Universal Technical Institute	❖
Crystal Sarahi Soto (Donna).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	ℳ❖
David Thomas (Edinburg).....	Texas A&M College Station	§❖
Shanna Thomas (Edinburg).....	University of Houston	Ⓒ❖
Antonio Trad-Abraham (McAllen).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	§❖◇
Amy Ilianne Trevino (Alton).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	ℳ❖
Mario Trevino III (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	Ⓒ❖
Jessica Alexandra Valdez (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	Ⓒ❖◇
Pedro Joel Velasquez (Mission).....	South Texas College	❖
Carlo Chase Vento (Harlingen).....	University of Texas at San Antonio	ℳ❖◇
Ezequiel Villegas (Alamo).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	Ⓒ❖
Savanna Lynn Wiegand (Edinburg).....	South Texas College	❖
Larissa Ann Ybarra (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	§❖◇
Benjamin Agyapong Yeboah Jr. (Edinburg).....	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	❖
Julia Estefania Zaragoza-Aguilar (Pharr).....	University of Texas at San Antonio	Ⓒ❖

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