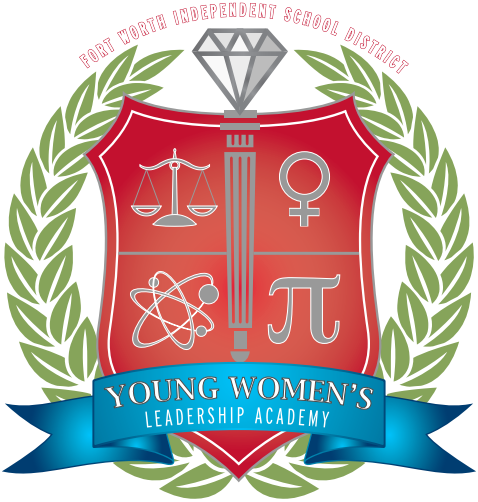
Class of 2025
Commencement Ceremony



Young Women's Leadership Academy

Friday, May 30, 2025 | 3 p.m.

Wilkerson-Greines Activity Center

FORT WORTH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Young Women's Leadership Academy is a Fort Worth ISD Gold Seal School of Choice.

Campus Mission

To develop the full potential of every girl by fostering an educational environment that encourages critical thinking, inspires student confidence, and nurtures the intellectual and social development necessary to graduate college, and become successful leaders in the global community.

YWLA Creed

I am a GEM of the YWLA

Pushing the boundaries of math, science, and technology.

I will be a servant leader who demonstrates a positive attitude.

Education is my ticket to success.

I am a future college graduate who will not succumb to mediocrity.

I will rise to exceptionality with my sisters.

We will have respect for ourselves, school, peers, and community.

The decisions we make today will affect the rest of our lives.

We never fail because we never give up.

We are extraordinary not because we say it, but because we work hard at it.

Our character will shine with unity and integrity.

We are the GEMS of the YWLA!

Message from the Superintendent

Dear Fort Worth ISD Graduating Class of 2025,

It is my honor to congratulate each of you for reaching this incredible milestone in your educational journey. On behalf of the entire Fort Worth ISD family, we are proud of all that you have accomplished. You worked hard to reach this momentous occasion. Enjoy your special day because you have earned it!

We worked hard to prepare you for the road ahead. You have the intelligence, strength, and courage to make an incredible impact on our world and we know that you will continue to make us just as proud as we are today.

Your accomplishments will pave the way for others, and your journey is a testament to the power of dreams. As you embark on the next chapter of your journey, remember to embrace challenges, invite change, keep learning and never lose sight of your dreams.

Class of 2025, it has been an honor to be part of your educational journey. Now, it's your turn to step into a future of limitless possibilities.

Sincerely,

Dr. Karen C. Molinar

Superintendent

Commencement Program

Processional . . . . . Veanda Allen, YWLA Band
"POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE" BY EDWARD ELGAR

Presentation of Colors . . . . .Paul Laurence Dunbar High School Female Color Guard

National Anthem . . . . . Roslyn Woodard, YWLA Choir
"THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER" BY FRANCIS SCOTT KEY, ARR. REGINALD WRIGHT

Pledge of Allegiance . . . . . .Amy Arellano
SENIOR CLASS VICE PRESIDENT

YWLA Creed in English. . . . . Lillian Doze
SENIOR CLASS TREASURER

YWLA Creed in Spanish . . . . . .Amy Arellano
SENIOR CLASS VICE PRESIDENT

Tribute / Moment of Silence . . . . . .Niang Huai
SENIOR CLASS HISTORIAN

Welcome and Introduction of Platform Guests . . . . . Rediesha C. Allen
PRINCIPAL

Greetings . . . . . Trustee Roxanne Martinez
BOARD OF EDUCATION PRESIDENT, DISTRICT 9

Principal's Address . . . . . Rediesha C. Allen

Recognition of Special Graduates . . . . . .Rickell E. Irvin
COLLEGE SUCCESS ADVISOR

Commemorative Speech. . . . . Justice Jackson
SENIOR CLASS PRESIDENT

Introduction of Salutatorian . . . . . Dr. Dorene Benavidez
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, AREA 2

Salutatorian Address

Introduction of Valedictorian . . . . . Dr. Gracie Guerrero
AREA 2 SUPERINTENDENT

Valedictorian Address

Inspirational Song. . . . . Roslyn Woodard, YWLA Choir
"FLY AWAY HOME" BY PINKZEBRA

Educator Tribute . . . . . .Adewunmi Adeyinka
SENIOR CLASS PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER

Parent Tribute . . . . . Eve Meade
SENIOR CLASS SECRETARY

Special Remarks . . . . . Jeremy Cortez
YOUNG WOMEN'S PREPARATORY NETWORK

Presentation of Candidates for Graduation . . . Rediesha C. Allen
AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS: ERIKA D. SEVALL-TORRES, COUNSELOR

Conferring of Diplomas . . . . . Dr. Karen Molinar
SUPERINTENDENT

Turning of the Tassel. . . . . Justice Jackson
SENIOR CLASS PRESIDENT

Alma Mater . . . . . .Roslyn Woodard, YWLA Choir, Graduates

Recessional . . . . . Veanda Allen, YWLA Band
"POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE" BY EDWARD ELGAR

ALMA MATER

Young women's alma mater we sing loud and clear,

Each of us comes as a daughter mem'ries we hold dear,

Blue and red and white unite, our colors we hold true,

These, our colors will unite us, our pride will shine through

Sisterhood is what we offer, leading every day,

Like a truss we lift each other, never will we sway

Blue and red and white unite are colors we hold true

These, our colors will unite us, our pride will shine through.

Scan the QR code below to view the Valedictorian, Salutatorian, and Latin Honors graduates.

fwisd.org/HonorGrads

DISCLAIMER: The student speakers were selected based on neutral criteria to deliver messages of the students' own choice. The content of each student speaker's message is the private expression of the individual student and does not reflect any position or expression of the FWISD, the board of trustees, the district's administration, employees of the district, or the views of any other graduate.

Candidates for Graduation

Adewunmi Eunice Adeyinka
Destiny Aguilar
Alizabeth Leticia Alaniz
Amy Elizabeth Arellano
Andrea Armas
Erin Jayne Beck-Johnson
Khenadii Ann Brown
Mia Carmona
Vanessa Chavez
Emma Paloma Chorn
Maria Eliza Diaz
Lillian June Doze
Hollis Lee Fincher
Valeria Fuentes
Ashley Anahi Gallardo
Chloe Abigail Garcia
Joana Garcia
Stephanie Lynn Garrett
Llanah Maria Gonzalez
Alexia Michelle Hernandez
Alani Isabel Hicks
Niang Khat Huai
Justice Lanai Jackson
Imani Janai Joiner
Katie Alvarado Luevano
Guadalupe Madrigal Andrade
Casey Marquez
Ashley Darely Martinez
Flor Yaritza Martinez
Eve Nichole Meade
Jacqueline Marianna Mendez
Gabriella Maria Flores Mireles
Veronica Lynn Mitchell
Mia Lauren Morales Garcia
Karisma Ashley Olguin
Perla Pérez
Hally Karely Quirino
Shèila Rayne Rodriguez
Jaquelin Salas Rodriguez
Chloë Luella Semple
Denise Mone't Smith
Jasmine Nichole Taylor
Merari Trejo
Kathleen Faye Van Geem
Emily Varo Recio
Hannah Varo Recio
Melanie Vasquez
Haley Minh Phuong Vo
Alexandria Lynnetta West

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Justice Jackson

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Eve Meade

TREASURER
Lillian Doze

HISTORIAN
Niang Huai

PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER
Adewunmi Adeyika

SENIOR CLASS SPONSORS
Chayla Caires
Maria Ortiz-Garcia
Sulma Sorto

National Art Honor Society

OFFICERS
Hollis Fincher
Llanah Gonzalez
Kathleen Van Geem

Spanish National Honor Society

PREMIO DE LIDERAZGO
Vanessa Chavez

PREMIO DE HONOR
Alexia Hernandez

National Honor Society

OFFICER
Niang Huai

MEMBERS
Adewunmi Adeyinka
Amy Arellano
Andrea Armas
Emma Chorn
Maria Diaz
Lillian Doze
Hollis Fincher
Valeria Fuentes
Chloe Garcia
Stephanie Garrett
Imani Joiner
Guadalupe Madrigal
Eve Meade
Veronica Mitchell
Chloe Semple
Denise Smith
Kathleen Van Geem
Hannah Varo
Haley Vo

AP Capstone Diploma Candidates

Alexia Hernandez
Perla Perez

Athletics Recognitions

Adewunmi Adeyinka. . .2nd Team All District, Basketball
Emma Chorn. . . . . .Academic All State 2nd Team, Cross Country
Valeria Fuentes . . . . . .1st Team All District, Soccer
Chloe Garcia . . . . . .2nd Team All District, Soccer
Alani Hicks . . . . . .1st Team All District, Basketball; District MVP, Volleyball
Veronica Mitchell . . . . .District MVP, Basketball; 1st Team All District, Volleyball
Mia Morales . . . . . .1st Team All District, Basketball
Kathleen Van Geem . . .Academic All State 1st Team, Cross Country and Volleyball
Haley Vo . . . . . .1st Team All District, Volleyball

Pathway Graduates

ADVANCED ART PATHWAY
Amy Arellano
Hollis Fincher
Llanah Gonzalez
Kathleen Van Geem
Melanie Vazquez
Alexandria West

BELL ENGINEERING INTERNSHIP
Alexia Hernandez

BELL VERTICAL ROBOTICS
Justice Jackson

FTC ROBOTICS
Alexia Hernandez
Justice Jackson
Gabriella Mireles
Hally Quirino

PLTW ENGINEERING PATHWAY
Mia Carmona
Emma Chorn
Chloe Garcia
Alexia Hernandez
Justice Jackson
Katie Luevano
Gabriella Mireles
Karisma Olguin
Hally Quirino
Jaqueline Salas
Merari Trejo
Haley Vo

YWLA CREATES
Adewunmi Adeyinka
Amy Arellano
Alani Hicks
Eve Meade
Mia Morales
Kathleen Van Geem
Melanie Vazquez

GRAPHIC DESIGN PATHWAY
Adewunmi Adeyinka
Destiny Aguilar
Amy Arellano
Andrea Armas
Erin Beck-Johnson
Khenadii Brown
Vanessa Chavez
Maria Diaz
Lillian Doze
Hollis Fincher
Valeria Fuentes
Ashley Gallardo
Stephanie Garrett
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Guadalupe Madrigal
Ashley Martinez
Flor Martinez
Eve Meade
Jacqueline Mendez
Veronica Mitchell
Mia Morales
Perla Perez
Sheila Rodriguez
Chloe Semple
Denise Smith
Jasmine Taylor
Kathleen Van Geem
Emily Varo
Hannah Varo
Melanie Vazquez
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