Class of 2026
Commencement Ceremony

Como Success Academy

Tuesday, May 26, 2026 | 3 p.m.

Wilkerson-Greines Activity Center

FORT WORTH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Spanish translation available via livestream.
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www.fwisd.org/graduation

Principal
Daniel McAlister

Assistant Principal
Dr. Justin Barrett

Executive Director of High Schools
Dr. Melissa Rincon

Lead Executive Director of High Schools
Dr. Chris Barksdale

Central Regional Chief
Dr. Kyndra Tyler

Campus Vision
Create an educational hub within the community focused on pathways to high-wage, high-demand jobs, post-secondary readiness, and continued academic and workforce supports for our students and the community at large.

Core Values
Student Achievement
Equity in Access
Leadership Development
Respect for Diversity
Stakeholder Collaboration
Perseverance and Commitment
Continuous Improvement

Campus Mission
Preparing all students for success in college, career and community leadership.

Campus Motto
Expect Success

Message from the Superintendent

Dear Graduates, Families, and Esteemed Guests,

It is with great pride and deep admiration that I welcome you to this momentous occasion — our high school graduation ceremony. Today, we gather not only to celebrate the culmination of years of hard work, perseverance, and growth, but to honor the promise, resilience, and brilliance of each student seated before us.

Graduates, your journey has been anything but ordinary. You have navigated challenges, embraced opportunities, and demonstrated a commitment to your future that reflects the very best of our community. Along the way, you have been supported by dedicated educators, loving families, and peers who have walked beside you — each playing a vital role in shaping the individuals you are today.

During my brief time as your superintendent, I have had the privilege of witnessing firsthand the extraordinary talent and determination that exists within our school. You represent the future leaders, innovators, and change-makers who will go on to strengthen our communities and impact the world in meaningful ways. Whether your path leads you to higher education, the workforce, military service, or new adventures yet to be defined, know that you carry with you the foundation, values, and spirit of this district.

This milestone is not simply an ending — it is a beginning. A beginning filled with possibility, responsibility, and hope. I encourage each of you to remain curious, stay grounded in your purpose, and never lose sight of the power you have to make a difference.

To our families and staff: thank you. Your unwavering support, encouragement, and belief in our students have made this day possible. This achievement belongs to you as well.

Graduates, as you turn your tassels and step forward into the next chapter of your lives, do so with confidence, integrity, and pride. You have earned this moment.

Congratulations, Class of 2026. Your future is bright, and we are incredibly proud of you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Peter B. Licata

Superintendent
Dr. Peter B. Licata

Deputy Superintendent, Chief of Schools
Dr. Daniel Soliz

Chief of Staff
Dr. Louis M. Kushner

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Commencement Program

Welcome Video from the Superintendent

Processional . . . . . "Pomp and Circumstance" by Edward Elgar

Presentation of Colors . . . . . Young Men's Leadership Academy JROTC

National Anthem . . . . . "The Star-Spangled Banner" by Francis Scott Key

Pledges of Allegiance . . . . . Ana Falbello Stuart
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Welcome and Introduction of Platform Guests . . . . . Daniel McAlister
PRINCIPAL

Greetings . . . . . Laurie George
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Principal's Address . . . . . Daniel McAlister

Tribute to Families. . . . . Andres Mendoza Padilla
CLASS OF 2026 GRADUATE

Tribute to Faculty and Staff . . . . . Stara Sayed
CLASS OF 2026 GRADUATE

Recognitions of Honor Graduates Top 10% . . . . . Diane Phan
TEACHER

Presentation of Franklin D. Burkley Nominees . . . . . Dr. Justin Barrett
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Introduction of Second Honor Graduate . . . . . Dr. Karen Galley
TEACHER

Second Honor Graduate Address

Introduction of First Honor Graduate . . . . . Kari Miller
DEAN OF INSTRUCTION

First Honor Graduate Address

Presentation of Candidates for Graduation . . . . . Daniel McAlister
ANNOUNCER: SYLVIA SNYDER, TEACHER

Conferring of Diplomas. . . . . Dr. Daniel Soliz
DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT, CHIEF OF SCHOOLS

Turning of the Tassel. . . . . First Honor Graduate

Closing . . . . . Sylvia Snyder
TEACHER

Recessional. . . . . "Pomp and Circumstance" by Edward Elgar

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 Education, the district's administration, employees of the district, or the views of any other graduate.

Franklin D. Burkley Nominees

Sut Jat Naw Awng
Georkelly Barazarte Guerrero
Valeska Diaz Varela
Luis Duran
Emile Escobedo Chavez
Ana Falbello Stuart
Justin Iradukunda
Yesenia Moreno Guillen
Claudia Ortiz Perez
Emily Sanz Osorio
Fatema Sheikh Ali

Ann Brannon Awardees

Selena Barrientos Rodriguez
Khapieh Khaksar
Andres Mendoza Padilla
Setara Sadaat
Leopoldino Tengula
Gloria Torres Rodriguez
Yhoalibeth Vega Gallego
Muzamil Wahidi

View the Valedictorian, Salutatorian, Latin Honors graduates, and other honors not available by print time at **fwisd.org/HonorGrads**

Cords

Summa Cum Laude . . . . . Maize Gold
Magna Cum Laude . . . . . Silver
Cum Laude . . . . . White

Medals

First Honor Graduate . . . . . Valedictorian Medal
Second Honor Graduate . . . . . Salutatorian Medal
Ann Brannon . . . . . Red, White, and Blue Ribbon

Candidates for Graduation

Feras Abo Nabout
Ingrid Acosta Alvarez
Adeline Ahishakiye
Ahmad Ahmadzai
Javen Albright
A'Niya Allen
Shamiyun Allen
Phoebe Alonso
Zacharia Anders
Daniel Arellano
Samim Asifi
Sut Jat Naw Awng
Vanessa Ayala
Alysha Balderas
Aralyn Banda
Georkelly Barazarte Guerrero
Patricio Barrientos
Selena Barrientos Rodriguez
Alajiah Branche
Maycol Cabrera Mejia
Duman Carranza Nunez
Alexis Carrillo
Aaliyah Coleman
Mark Anthony Davila
Samira Dawoodzai
Jacqueline Delgado
Valeska Diaz Varela
Luis Duran
Kimberly Echeverria Montanez
Emile Escobedo Chavez
Cristian Escoto Garcia
Evelyn Estrada
Ana Falbello Stuart
Jesus Ferrer Lopez
Daniel Garcia
Savannah Garcia
Valeria Garcia Ramirez
Daniela Garcia Rodriguez
Alexander Gebreab
Marlen Gomez Talavera
Yanciel Gonzalez Veranes
Ameia Goodacre
Diego Guerrero Osorio
Ezatullah Gulab
Vu Ha
Emanuel Hafford
Marwa Hakimi
Ahmad Halem
Adam Harris
Quintin Haywood
Alexsandra Hernandez
Jose Hernandez
Josue Hernandez
Kasandra Hernandez
Rixcy Hernandez Mancia
Alexis Hester
Shanell Howard
Omidullah Hussainkhel
Mariraine Imanimwe
Justin Iradukunda
Innocent Iranzi
Joe Isaula Banegas
Rutherfort Jean Bart
Charles Jimenez
Itzana Juarez
Amir Karimyar
Khapieh Khaksar
Shapieh Khaksar
Maxwell Lee
Michelle Lerma
Fikiri Luwela
Mkusu Luwela
Jocelyn Macedo
Brooklyn Maldonado
Ashoor Malik Zada
Sima Mamund
Gabriel Martinez
Mayrin Martinez Hernandez
Edgar Martinez Lara
Montserrat Martinez Sinecio
Kerry Marvens Mathias
Kamirron Mateen
Hailey Maturino
Juan Mendoza

Candidates for Graduation

Andres Mendoza Padilla
Shaunie Makae Menton
Joanna Mina
Sandra Moctezuma Moreno
Muhaiuddin Mohammadi
Daniel Molina Vazquez
Juan Moncada Ortiz
Christopher Montemayor
Maria Mora
Yesenia Moreno Guillen
Jesus Munoz Zapata
Marhaba Nabi Zada
Mehria Nabi Zada
Abdul Naimi
Nihlah Nixon
Ahmad Noori
Bertin Nsengiyuma
Melissa Nunez
Brandon Olaya Castano
Junior Orta
Carla Ortega Dominguez
Claudia Ortiz Perez
Roberto Osegueda Mendoza
Adriana Osorio Erazo
Daylon Parks
Rafael Pavon Leyva
Juan Pavon-Lopez
Joseph Perdomo Perdomo
Kenyer Perez
Jesus Perez Lopez
Michael Pimpton
Safiullah Qazi Zada
Brayan Quintanilla
Blanca Ramirez
Marco Ramirez Hernandez
G'avonni Reed
Anna Reyes
Rashaun Richardson
Santiago Rivera
Tanya Robles Castillo
Julio Rocha Villegas
Daniela Rodarte
Daniel Rodela Bretado
Marely Rodriguez
Melisa Rojas Alvarado
Rich-Landie Rubin
Angel Ruiz
Setara Sadaat
Angela Salgado
Lenin Santana Rivera
Fernanda Santillan Martinez
Sofia Santillan Martinez
Emily Sanz Osorio
Stara Sayed
Ruhumuriza Sebineza
Fatema Sheikh Ali
Jose Solis
Luis Sosa-Rodriguez
Ava Sparks
Halle Stallings
Hanif Suradj Muhammad Naim
Zaina Tanai
Luis Tejada Duarte
Leopoldino Tengula
Neri Tinajero Pineda
Ma Guadalupe Toral Saldivar
Gloria Torres Rodriguez
Lorvin Trochez Madrid
Diane Uwimana
Maria Vacio Lopez
Maribel Vargas Haros
Ralph Vasquez
Mauricio Vazquez Flores
Yhoalibeth Vega Gallego
Julian Vilera
Kelvin Villalobos Estrada
Yilliangelis Villegas Castillo
Ashley Villegas Veloz
Muzamil Wahidi
Christopher Wayman
Jared Wright
Alma Zavaleta McCommas

Faculty & Staff

DEAN OF INSTRUCTION
Kari Miller

ATTENDANCE CLERK
Paola Cisneros-Parga

ATTENDANCE CONTROL SPECIALIST
Dawn Cortez

CAMPUS SECRETARIES
Janie Hernandez
Consuelo Rodriguez

CAMPUS MONITOR
Tomika Stevenson

CAFETERIA
Kimberly Beaty
Brenda Castro
Elia Martinez

COUNSELING
Judy Vanderslice

CUSTODIANS
Maria Cervantes
Laura Rueda
Mayra Varela

DATA CLERK
Elva Flores

DIAGNOSTICIAN
Shirley Jackson

LIBRARIAN
Elvira Watson

NURSE
Laura Martinez

OUTREACH SPECIALISTS
Angela Nash
Yvette Williams

PROJECT REACH
Leticia Magana

SAFETY AND SECURITY
Omar Cervantes
Officer Bain
Officer Carter
Officer Cavanaugh
Officer Shore
Officer Stanford

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Kaitlyn Landers
Cynthia Martinez
Elisa Williamson

ENGLISH
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Dr. Susan Alexandre
Vicki Barber
Upendo Makali
Cristine Nicoara
Diane Phan
Maria Rodriguez

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Mohteshin Abbasi
Dr. Christopher Harper
Trisna Rema

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Abdolreza Darigan
Farzana Choudhury

SOCIAL STUDIES
Carrie English
Ofelia Gonzalez-Gamez
Eli Halevi
Timothy Rohloff

SPECIAL EDUCATION
Patrick Wentworth

WEB BASED LEARNING
Clark Humphrey
Dr. Karen Galley
Sylvia Snyder