Class of 2026
Commencement Ceremony



TCC South/ FWISD Collegiate High School

Wednesday, May 27, 2026 | 3 p.m.

Wilkerson-Greines Activity Center

FORT WORTH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT





Spanish translation available via livestream.
Please wear headphones.

www.fwisd.org/graduation

Principal
Dr. Quanda Collins

Assistant Principal
Lori Hufnagle

Lead Executive Director of High Schools
Dr. Chris Barksdale

South Regional Chief
Isaac Williams

TCC South/FWISD Collegiate High School is a Fort Worth ISD Gold Seal School of Choice located on the South campus of Tarrant County College.

Campus Vision

Our school offers a rigorous and relevant P-TECH curriculum that leads to a strong postsecondary education and/or equips students to be competitive applicants for postsecondary programs.

The collegiate high school faculty, staff, and families share a vision for a school where: Students pursue a college-level curriculum and produce college-quality work; Cooperative and collaborative relationships exist among all stakeholders; Students are self-motivated, independent learners who take personal responsibility for their education; and students are motivated to transfer to a baccalaureate program and pursue a post-graduate education or as competitive applicants for postsecondary programs.

Campus Mission

Our mission is to prepare students for the rigorous demands of college and work, and for a range of competitive careers in energy-related fields. In collaboration with Tarrant County College and our industry partners, we seek to close achievement gaps, to improve access to in-demand career pathways and competitive postsecondary programs, and to build a strong pipeline of student talent for a thriving local workforce and economy. Ultimately, our students leave us as skilled candidates for jobs on a ladder of career growth in the energy fields, or as competitive applicants for four-year colleges and postsecondary programs.

Core Values

Safe
Known and Valued
Challenged and Supported
Accountable
Empowered

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

Fort Worth ISD Board of Education

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Commencement Program

Welcome Video from the Superintendent

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

Presentation of Colors . . . . . R.L. Paschal High School JROTC

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

Pledge of Allegiance. . . . . Adrian Mota
SENIOR CLASS PRESIDENT

Texas Pledge . . . . . Mia Olalde
SENIOR CLASS VICE PRESIDENT

Welcome and Introduction of Platform Guests. . . . . Dr. Quanda Collins
PRINCIPAL

Greetings . . . . . Rosa Maria Berdeja
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Principal's Address. . . . . Dr. Quanda Collins

Honors Recognitions . . . . . Lori Hufnagle
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Introduction of Salutatorian . . . . . Lori Hufnagle

Salutatorian Address

Introduction of Valedictorian . . . . . Dr. Quanda Collins

Valedictorian Address

Presentation of Candidates for Graduation. . . . . Dr. Quanda Collins
ANNOUNCER: MARK HOLCOMBE, SPANISH PROFESSOR

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

Turning of the Tassel. . . . . Adrian Mota
SENIOR CLASS PRESIDENT

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

View the Valedictorian, Salutatorian, Latin Honors graduates, and other honors not available by print time at **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 Education, the district's administration, employees of the district, or the views of any other graduate.

Candidates for Graduation

Anthony Aguilar
Amaya Akinbote
Cade Anderson
Abraham Arrona
Nayle Avila
Omar Balderas-Fuentes
Chris Barcenas
Natalie Botello
Camila Carmona
Barbara Chavez
Julius Chhor
Joe Collazo
Christopher Collins
Jayvion Cooper
Daniel Demar
Nura El-hefnawy
Yediel Escobar-Perez
Chariti Fegbeboh
Destiny Garcia
Adrian Gomez
Elena Gomez Balderas
Amayah Gonzales
Yamilet Gonzalez Dimas
Delaney Griggs
Abel Hernandez
Aleni Hernandez
Jacob Hernandez
Cassandra Hernandez Alvarez
Kevin Hernandez Oropeza
Evelin Hernandez Ramirez
Winston Johnson
Timothy Kim
Sharon Kiprotich
Kimora Landry
Arely Lara
Johaunna Ledbetter
Jaylah Lewis
Max Lopez
Saul Luna
Alex Lupercio
Ciara Martinez
Olivia Moore
Jasmine Morales
Adrian Mota
Leann Mwai
Mia Olalde
Jocelyn Olvera
Sebastian Ortiz
Jaime Paredes
Kay Paredes
Moises Patino
Isabel Ramos
Maya Ramos-Fennell
Angel Rodriguez
Danny Rodriguez
Jesus Rodriguez
Elisa Rojo
Andrea Sigala
Alyssa Smith
Nicolas Socha
Jordan Thomas
Linh Tran
Theresa Tran
Cynthia Umutoniwase
Derek Valdez
Gabriela Vasquez
Jurnee Velasquez
Mark Villagran
JaNiah Williams
Carol Zarraras Acosta

Senior Class Officers

PRESIDENT
Adrian Mota

VICE PRESIDENT
Mia Olalde

SECRETARY
Jasmine Morales

TREASURER
Amaya Akinbote

HISTORIAN
Theresa Tran

SPONSORS
Juan Rangel
Paulita Gordon

National Hispanic Scholars

Omar Balderas-Fuentes
Barbara Chavez
Adrian Gomez
Cassandra Hernandez Alvarez
Max Lopez

National African American Scholars

Amaya Akinbote
Leann Mwai

Military Bound

Chris Barcenas
Ciara Martinez
Sebastian Ortiz

National Honor Society

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Superintendent's Scholars

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Cords & Stoles

CORDS

Summa Cum Laude . . . . . Maize Gold
Magna Cum Laude . . . . . Silver
Cum Laude . . . . . White
Community Service . . . . . Gold and Blue
Blood Drive Donors . . . . . Red
Military Bound . . . . . Red/White/Blue
30+ Dual Credit Hours . . . . . Navy Blue
Salutatorian . . . . . Single Teal/Silver
Valedictorian . . . . . Double Teal/Silver

STOLES

Superintendent's Scholars . . . . . White

MEDALS

Associate Degree . . . . . Blue/Gold

Faculty & Staff

PRINCIPAL
Dr. Quanda Collins

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
Lori Hufnagle

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSOCIATE
Brittney Clarke

CAMPUS MONITOR
Leticia Zarate

COUNSELORS
Katricia Rubell
Brandi Williams

DATA CLERK
Elicia Jarratt

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT SPECIALIST
Lydia Montes-Rodriguez

POSTSECONDARY SPECIALIST
Philip Collier

SCHOOL NURSE
Darla Robinson

TEACHERS
Kimberly Barnes
Kellie Brown
Stephen Coll
Carla Coronado
Angela DeSalvo
Viet Dinh
Courtney Eason
Amber Edwards
Paulita Gordon
Joel Holcombe
Constance Lamb
Gina Palladino
Felix Perez
Juan Rangel
Veronica Redden
Brandon Schembri
Benjamin Schmitt
Nemer Tello
Tanya Williams