Class of 2026
Commencement Ceremony

Benbrook Middle-High School

Thursday, May 28, 2026 | 8 a.m.

Dickies Arena

FORT WORTH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Spanish translation available via livestream.
Please wear headphones.

www.fwisd.org/graduation

Principal
Dr. Jason Oliver

Assistant Principals
Phillip Adams
Robby Ball
Dexter Dotson
Michelle Grubbs

Executive Director of High Schools
Rian Townsend

Lead Executive Director of High Schools
Dr. Chris Barksdale

South Regional Chief
Isaac Williams

Benbrook Pyramid Principals

McCall Sanderson
BENBROOK ELEMENTARY

Kendall Condit
ROLLING HILLS ELEMENTARY

Glorianne Mason
WESTPARK ELEMENTARY

Campus Vision
Learning today to lead tomorrow

Core Values
Dedication, Achievement, Honor

Campus Mission
To empower all students to be successful through rigorous, engaging and intentional instruction

Alma Mater

Benbrook High, our Alma Mater
To your name be true.

To our self and to each other
Loyalty to you.

Green and Gold! School we love!
We will always claim

"Bobcats we will be forever,
Honoring your name."

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

President
Pete Geren

Vice President
Courtney Lewis

Secretary
Rosa Maria Berdeja

Board Members
Bobby Ahdieh
Luis A. Galindo
Laurie George
Frost Prioleau
Jay Stegall
Tennessee Walker

Commencement Program

Processional . . . . . Band and Orchestra
"POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE" BY EDWARD ELGAR,
UNDER THE DIRECTION OF DEBBIE O'BRIEN AND MARCUS BRYANT

Presentation of Colors . . . . . JROTC Cadets
COMMANDED BY CW4 DENNIS CUNNINGHAM

National Anthem . . . . . Choral Ensemble
"THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER" BY FRANCIS SCOTT KEY

Pledges of Allegiance . . . . . Alyssa Lassiter
THEATRE CLUB PRESIDENT

Welcome and Introduction of Platform Guests . . . . . Addison Olford
STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Greetings . . . . . Jay Stegall
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Superintendent's Address . . . . . Dr. Peter B. Licata

Tribute to Families, Faculty, and Staff . . . . . Alyssa Lassiter and Daniel Washington
THEATRE CLUB PRESIDENT; AVID LEADERSHIP

Song . . . . . 24 Treble Choir
"LANDSLIDE" ARR. MARYANN MUGLIA UNDER THE DIRECTION OF DR. EMILY SAENZ

Senior Gift . . . . . Daniel Washington
AVID LEADERSHIP

Recognitions . . . . . David Koenig
POSTSECONDARY SPECIALIST

Latin Honors . . . . . San Juanita Islas
SENIOR COUNSELOR

Song . . . . . Band and Orchestra
"APPALACHIAN MORNING" BY ROBERT SHELDON

Principal's Address . . . . . Dr. Jason Oliver
PRINCIPAL

Introduction of Salutatorian . . . . . Dr. Ryan Peterson
TEACHER

Salutatorian Address

Introduction of Valedictorian . . . . . Dr. Ryan Peterson

Valedictorian Address

Presentation of Candidates for Graduation . . . . . Dr. Jason Oliver
ANNOUNCER: ENIX RAMOS, SPANISH TEACHER

Conferring of Diplomas . . . . . Dr. Peter B. Licata
SUPERINTENDENT

Turning of the Tassel . . . . . Addison Olford
STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Alma Mater . . . . . Band

Recessional . . . . . Band and Orchestra
"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.

Senior Class Officers

PRESIDENT
Addison Olford

VICE PRESIDENT
Damian Hernandez

SECRETARY
Natalie Martinez

LOGISTICS OFFICER
Kyle Lewis

COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICER
Leah Marshall

SOCIAL MEDIA OFFICER
Stevi Burt

National Honor Society

PRESIDENTS
Addison Olford
Kyle Lewis

VICE PRESIDENTS
Stevi Burt
Leah Marshall

SECRETARIES
Ethan Farr
Amy González

HISTORIANS
Sofia Villalobos
Azaria Whitlock

OFFICERS
Avanelle Boyle
Fiona Chan
Ashley Gevedon
Lori-Ann Goodson
Keri Kline
Waverlee Wilson

MEMBERS
Jessica Anzaldúa
Victoria Arriaga
Avery Bates
Jayden Bradshaw
Avery Brawley
May Carnegie
Andrea Castellano
Kira Cleveland
Emi Dervishi
James Felker
Abigail Fierro
Keely Fyffe
Morgan Gibbons
Avery Glanzer
Andrew Herrill
Colin Jarchow
Evan Kramer
Luke LaRiviere
Natalie Martínez
Cevannah Mickel
Erik Morrison
Roberto Olono
Joshua Ordoñez
Abyela Patterson
Shiloh Simenson
Elena Thomas
Ethan Tucker
Daniel Viola
Ruth Walker
Kailey Williams
Casey Wilson

Superintendent's Scholars

Jaelyn Alvarez
Gavin Akins
Jessica Anzaldua
Avery Bates
Avanelle Boyle
Jayden Bradshaw
Avery Brawley
Cade Casteel
Andrea Castellano
Jacob Cathey
Kira Cleveland
Emi Dervishi
Parker Dorff
Ethan Farr
James Felker
Keely Fyffe
Ashley Gevedon
Morgan Gibbons
Avery Glanzer
Amy Gonzalez
Lori-Ann Goodson
Alex Gutierrez
Charles Hatcher
Andrew Herrill
Isaac Holland
Colin Jarchow
Keri Kline
Evan Kramer
Kyle Lewis
Bailey Lott
Vincent Martinez
Addison Olford
Abyela Patterson
Camryn Soward
Sovina Tran
Ethan Tucker
Juliana Velasquez
Daniel Viola
Ruth Walker
Azaria Whitlock
Kailey Williams
Casey Wilson
Waverlee Wilson

Candidates for Graduation

Bryan Acosta
Gavin Akins
Lydia Alcocer
Jemma Allen
Bryce Allison
Jaelyn Álvarez
Hannah Anderson
Jessica Anzaldúa
Victoria Arriaga
River Atwood
Briana Báez Lugo
Arianna Barnett
Brennan Barton
Avery Bates
Pierson Battle
Camryn Bentley
Addison Bowden
Clay Bowers
Avanelle Boyle
Jayden Bradshaw
Avery Brawley
Mason Bruck
Zackery Burks
Stevi Burt
Mattison Cameron
Savannah Cárdenas
Lily Carias
May Carnegie
Jacob Carpenter
Juana Carretero
Evan Carter
Kayla Carter
Mary-Lynn Cartwright
Ariana Cásares
Cade Casteel
Andrea Castellano
Abel Castillo
Jacob Cathey
Josiah Cedillo
Alan Cervantes
Desmond Chambers
Fiona Chan
Bailey Chancey
Rosalie Chandler
Justin Chaney
Adam Chávez
Sydney Chávez
Joselyn Chávez Coronado
Kira Cleveland
Bobby Cole
Addison Collinsworth
Hannah Colvin
David Contreras
William Cook
Alexis Cruz
Giancarlo D'Amato
Madison Dávila
Peyton Davis
Deshawn Deane
Daniela Delgado
Emi Dervishi
Ensa Dervishi
Evina Dervishi
Parker Dorff
Daniel Edwards
Asher Ellison
Ethan Farr
Landry Farris
James Felker
Mya Fenner
Abigail Fierro
Kegan Flowers
Emma Freeman
Keely Fyffe
Celeste Galván
Andrew García
Elías García
Natalie García
Zeus García
Andrés García Andrade
Mattixx Garner
Ashley Gevedon
Morgan Gibbons
Avery Glanzer
Samantha Gloria
Tavin Gómez
Amy González
Lori-Ann Goodson
Andrew Granado
Noah Grywatch
Alex Gutiérrez
Mariah Guy
Jayden Hailey
Peyton Hale
Jacob Hall
Jayden Hall
Quierra Hall
Thomas Hamilton
Ashlyn Hanks
Charles Hatcher
Gavin Henderson
Shantal Hernández
Andrew Herrill
Samantha Hicks
Isaac Holland
Nile Holt
Trentin Hornbeck
Dirk Horton
Alayna Huff
Aiden Hughes
Gage Hughes

Candidates for Graduation

Zyander Hutcheson
Olivia Isbell
Colin Jarchow
Judith Jiménez
Jackson Joya
Keri Kline
Evan Kramer
Arianna Labue
Gavyn Lambert
Luke LaRiviere
Alyssa Lassiter
Addison Lee
Kyle Lewis
Joe Long
Michael Longoria
Bailey Lott
Katie Loyd
Jack Mahaney
Chloe Mancuso
Leah Marshall
Belinda Martínez
Lucas Martínez
Natalie Martínez
Vincent Martínez
Pedro Martínez
Giulianno Martínez Colón
Sebastian Martínez Colón
Alfredo Martínez Ramírez
Melissa Mazariegos Barrios
Gabriella McEachran
Cade McPhate
Destiny Mendoskin
Miguel Mendoza
Madelynn Merritt
Elisabeth Messer
Cevannah Mickel
Estefanie Monter
Johnny Montoya
Erik Morrison
Matthew Moses
Nicholas Mouton
Rachel M'pinda
Addison Olford
Roberto Olono
Joshua Ordoñez
Jaxson Parr
Christopher Partida
Abyela Patterson
Alexander Perez
Peyton Pinneda
Kayden Pruisner
Jacob Rabago
Josue Reyes
Erick Ríos-Tinoco
Kaden Robles
Yohanna De La Caridad Rodríguez Augier
Angel Rubell
Paige Rutigliano
Melany Salgado
Danaly Sánchez
Nathalie Sánchez
Kenny Sánchez García
Sawyer Satterwhite
Samuel Schroeder
Nevaeh Sedita-Prescott
Mac Shafer
Alexis Siddiq
Shiloh Simenson
Randee Slater
Wesley Smith
Vicente Sosa
Camryn Soward
Sidney Speck
Steve Stiefvater
Hudson Stockton
Preston Stout
Gavin Tackett
Elena Thomas
Sariah Thomas
Maddox Thompson
Gleidys Torres Rivera
Ignacio Torres Rivera
Sovina Tran
Harry Trang
Vanessa Trujillo
Ethan Tucker
Michael Tully
Jayvin Vásquez
Juliana Velásquez
Eric Vidal
Sofia Villalobos
Daniel Viola
Ryan Vo
Dillon Walker
Ruth Walker
Isabell Warren
Daniel Washington
Cadence Weast
Mikaela Webb
Madisyn Weeden
Trevor Whaling
Azaria Whitlock
Cooper Whittle
Kailey Williams
Casey Wilson
Waverlee Wilson
Jeremy Windham
Zaniya Winston
Azalyn Zapata
Sonia Zavala
Benjamin Zellner

Capstone Diploma Candidates

Ashley Gevedon
Amy González
Abyela Patterson
Sovina Tran
Kailey Williams

Cords and Stoles

CORDS

Summa Cum Laude . . . . . Maize Gold
Magna Cum Laude . . . . . Silver
Cum Laude . . . . . White
Academic Excellence . . . . . Green and Gold
Fine Arts . . . . . Pink
AP Capstone Diploma . . . . . Yellow
AVID . . . . . Navy Blue
Carter BloodCare . . . . . Red
JROTC . . . . . Black and Yellow
National Honor Society Officers . . . . . Royal Blue and Gold
OnRamps . . . . . Orange and Silver
Student Council . . . . . Turquoise
UV4C . . . . . Teal, Orange, and Purple
UIL Academics . . . . . Black
CTE 4-Year completer + IBC . . . . . Black and White Braided
National Art Honor Society . . . . . Multicolored

STOLES

National Honor Society . . . . . White
Native American
Superintendent's Scholars