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-FALL 2024-

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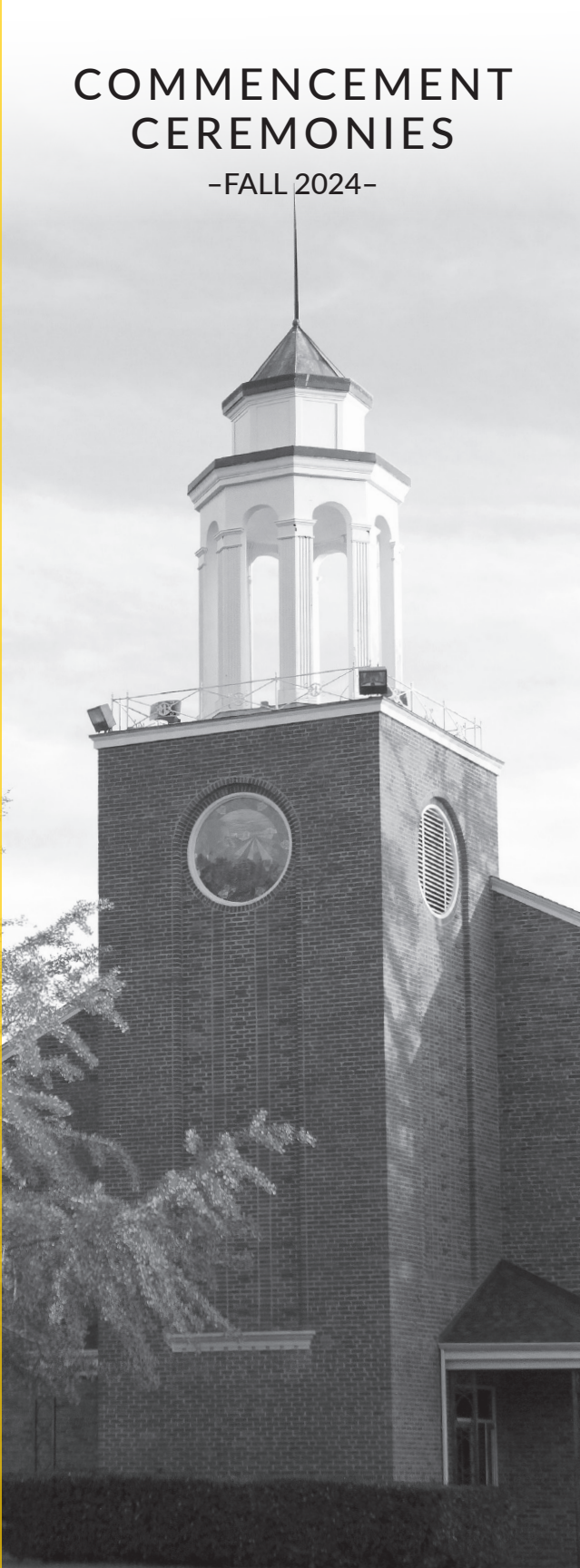
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**DECEMBER 13, 2024**



# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Graduates, Families, and Friends,

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, executive cabinet, faculty, staff, administration and the thousands of students who make up Apache Nation – Congratulations!

TJC is among the most amazing institutions of higher learning. You have honored us with your presence and made us significantly better by completing your program of study, adding your name to a distinguished list of alumni who have positively impacted our wonderful region, our great state and our beautiful nation.

Today, we come together for the sole purpose of celebrating you for achieving this very important milestone.

I am honored to serve you through my role as president of this world-class, premier, award-winning institution. I encourage you to continue to live the powerful values of Unity, Caring, Integrity, Empowering and Excellence in all that you do and to proudly carry forward the banner of the Black & Gold legacy.

On to honor, on to glory and on to victory!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Juan E. Mejia'. The signature is stylized and fluid, with a large loop at the beginning and a long, sweeping tail that ends in a small flourish.

Juan E. Mejia  
President & CEO

# LETTER FROM G.O. CLOUGH, TJC PRESIDENT, 1926



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## Administration



G. O. CLOUGH

*President*

J. M. HODGES

*Dean*

*To the Students of 1926-1927:*

The organization of the Tyler Junior College last September was a step in line with educational progress. It has afforded opportunity for college work to many of you who probably would not otherwise have had such an advantage. The future of the institution will, in a measure, depend upon you. It has been your privilege and prerogative this year to create, to inaugurate, and also to set a pace. You should be real pioneers. Students of tomorrow shall be called upon to remember, preserve, and transmit your standards and ideals.

The spirit of an institution determines its worth and justifies its claim for support and existence. What shall be the spirit of the Tyler Junior College? As students in the first year of its history, it is yours to say. Shall it be truth, honor, and integrity, or shall it be carelessness and indifference; shall it be earnest, conscientious work, or shall it be any way to get credit?

My vision and my hope for the Tyler Junior College of tomorrow depend upon the earnest, sincere, and ambitious students of today.

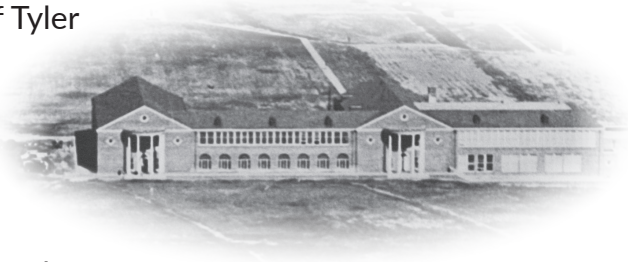
G. O. CLOUGH.

# ABOUT TYLER JUNIOR COLLEGE

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The formal opening of Tyler Junior College was held in the Tyler High School auditorium on Sept. 17, 1926, with 93 students and nine faculty members. Tyler



Superintendent G.O. Clough was named the first president of the College. TJC was one of the early junior colleges established in Texas; and, at the time, there were fewer than 300 such institutions in the United States. In its inaugural year, the College conferred degrees on nine graduates.

Today, TJC is one of the largest community colleges in Texas, with 692 full- and part-time faculty, 585 supporting staff members. TJC serves East Texas with more than 19,000 students annually, including nearly 16,000 across its credit programs and more than 3,000 in continuing studies.

For 98 years, TJC has embodied the true sense of the term “community.” As its cornerstone, the College has five core values of unity, caring, integrity, empowering and excellence. With more than 120 degree and certificate programs, plus extensive training and technical programs, TJC is the best first step for any student, whether they plan to transfer to a four-year institution or gain the skills needed to go directly into the workforce.

When students step onto the 145-acre central campus, they are immediately part of the TJC experience, which includes: rigorous academics, 69 national championships in athletics; stellar fine and performing arts programs; modern residential facilities; and organizations and clubs that reflect student



diversity. Additionally, dual enrollment programs and early college high schools are offered in partnership with area high schools. Approximately 3,000 high school students earn college credit each year while in high school because of dual enrollment opportunities at TJC.

TJC faculty and students consistently excel in their respective fields, and this history of excellence has focused national recognition on the College and has earned the respect of its peers.

TJC has produced more than nine decades of exceptional graduates, including: a former deputy director of the CIA; Grammy and Academy Award-winners; playwrights, actors and actresses; professional athletes; an Olympic gold medalist; prominent political figures; health care specialists; educators; and business professionals.

In a recent survey of current students, 75 percent said TJC was their first choice for college, and 94 percent said they would choose TJC again based on their experience so far.

The community's generosity led to the founding of the College in 1926. Thanks to the wonderful, ongoing support from the community, alumni, parents, students and friends of this great institution, TJC has flourished for 98 years. As it looks to the future, TJC will continue to expand opportunities for student success and reinforce its role as The College of East Texas.

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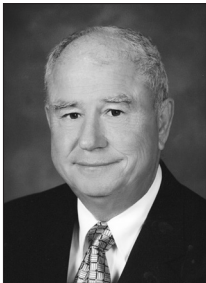
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## BY PROGRAM OF STUDY

### **Bachelor of Science - Dental Hygiene**

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### **Associate of Arts - Art**

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Madeleine Hamilton  
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Nha Duyen Mai  
Cassidy D-Ann Nugent  
Destiny Elizabeth Rogers  
Jocelyn Leigh Stafford  
Emily Streetman  
MaKayla Wallace

### **Associate of Arts - Business**

Kimberley Acosta  
Yesenia Aguilar  
Kristopher Marcus Akins Jr.  
Zaina Albeige  
Sonia Lisset Alfaro  
Homero Aparicio Jr.  
Matthew Roderick Barnes  
Hunter Barth  
Rebecca Marie Boehm  
Calyssa Layne Boggs  
Emmanuel Bolanos  
Nikko Noah Cabrera  
Bryce Campbell Caldwell  
Mariana De Jesus Casiano  
Benjamin Chesley  
Story Conaughty  
Myah Elyse Crutcher  
Adalynn Duncan  
Jeanne Mireille Taylor Eboupeke Bibebe  
Peyton Eugene Fobel  
Reagan Hornaday  
Leon Kaba  
Elisa Lajqi  
Johnathan Lewis  
Kylan James Liedtke

Raul Martin  
Victoria Denise Mejia  
Sarah Olivia Menini  
Elizabeth Angelica Moncada  
Gabrielle Marie Nichols  
Desiree Palacios  
David Palacios-Alvarez  
Carla Perez  
Daniel Perez  
Jonathan Hunter Price  
Belen Abigail Quintero  
Gabriela Ramirez  
Gerardo Uziel Ramirez  
Eunice Ramirez Marin  
Yesica San Juana Reina  
Jeanette Alexandra Reyes  
Adriana Salazar  
Mia Ruth Shaw  
Conner Bryant Smith  
Elias Nathanael Stroud  
Adilene Ryann Meyer Tidwell  
Mallory Jade Tucker  
Luke Anthony Waggoner  
Kadie L. Wilkins

### **Associate of Arts - Criminal Justice**

Jerrica Alexander-Cork  
Christian Eduardo Aquino  
Trinity Elizabeth Boaz  
Abraham Ferretiz  
Justin Griffith  
Jasmin Gutierrez  
Jordan Harris  
Steven Lamon Lawson  
Brooke Ashlyn Laymance  
Daja Ka-Porsha Lindsey  
Linda Calvillo Martinez  
Victoria Gisela Mayorga  
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Adriana Ramos  
Macy Michelle Robbins  
Kamariah Simmons  
Jakerian Jarrod Stinnette  
Ercee Devon Wynn II  
Esmeralda Zeferino



## **Associate of Arts - English**

Autumn Shade Aiken  
Josiah Christopher Barron Ramirez  
Sydney Bowers  
Veronica Esther Little  
Sean-Michael Mallard  
Victor G. Ramos  
Jacob Brent Sanchez  
Kayla Brianne Stallworth  
Xoe Jade Varner

## **Associate of Arts - General Studies**

Esther Damilola Adeyanju  
Abigail Grayce Aggen  
Kristopher Marcus Akins Jr.  
Leiaj Boydon Almazan  
Kayla Alvarez  
Azul Keyra Amezcus Avila  
Abbie Elizabeth Baser  
Ryan Tyler Bowdoin  
Jose Amado Bravo Jr.  
Charles Gage Brittian  
Kaylee Dawn Brousseau  
Courtney Ann Bugg  
Stacy Ngoc Tran Bui  
Kiana La'Shea Bush  
R. Ruth Calvert  
Kenny Campos  
Cornell Marvin Carter Jr.  
Danielle Laurene Cassady  
Hafis Ceesay  
Stephanie Chavez  
Treasure Sinclair Coleman  
Tasiyah Racheal Cornelius  
Delanie Crawford  
Laniya Daniels  
Lamin Darboe  
Ellyse J. Daye  
Bethany Jewel Denson  
Anna Marie Dixon  
Alex Echeverria  
Maria Isabel Echeverria  
Karla Elias Sanchez  
Magdalena Estrada  
Noelle Ashley Feiden  
Keunna Ariel Fields  
Albert Gonzales  
Zion Nikolai Gort  
Sharita Green-Bolden  
Holly Henry  
Jorie'L Hicks  
Lindsey Marie Hornaday  
Myah Christyne Atherton Hoyle  
Rochelle Hulme  
Sean Hulme  
Richard Gaylen Ingledue  
Jalyn Alexis Ingram  
Moe Emma Iwasaka

Bernock Kingompeti Iya  
Jadyn Jackson  
Samuel A. Jaimes  
Nick Jay  
Scarlett Jadin Johanson  
Chasity Shantel Johnson  
Grayson Zachary Jones  
Matthew Joseph III  
Destin Lajohn Kaufman Caldwell  
Kyeleigh Nicole Kincade  
Jacob D. King  
Christopher Knight  
Alexis Hanning Kreps  
Anna Labrador  
Florence Patrick C. Larano  
Samaira Monet Lewis  
Benjamin Craig Little  
Dianne Loredó  
John Lamont Louden Jr.  
Gabriela Guadalupe Luna  
Celina Itsel Martinez  
Terance Paul Mathis Jr.  
Kiersten Ani McCloud  
Giovanni McCray  
Rashard Lafayette McGee  
Macie Nichole McLeod  
Jennifer Patricia Mendoza Martinez  
Loraly Mica Michalewicz  
Corban Riley Mize  
Lauren Kayte Mize  
Justin Miami Moore  
Zakaylah MiDestini DaBria Moore  
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Kaitlyn Morris  
JáMarcus Trey'Shun Moye  
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Angelica Maria Ortega  
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Samantha Danielle Pettitt  
Kayla Dechelle Phillips  
Cheyenne Mae Priddy  
Jose Julian Ramos  
Jameson Charles Rapp  
Mariela Resendiz  
ShaiLynn Renee Reynolds  
Shelbi LeeAnn Rivers  
Alex Isai Roman  
Karina Romero Gaytan  
Gabrielle Alise Rosales  
Andrik Rubio  
Aaliyah Renee Rudd  
Damien Isaiah Saldivar  
McKenzie Sanders  
Jessica Renee Schultz  
Olivia Cameron Scott  
Mikeshia Meshell Shorters  
Madelyn Simon  
Aidan Charles Skanes

Micah Solly  
Pati Petelo Sóalo  
Reiley Elizabeth Spears  
Mary Kathryn Tarver  
Dathan Taylor  
Joshua Amari Thomas  
Gerson Toj Aleman  
Salma Umme  
Christiana Nicole Ussery  
Andrea Vargas  
Frank Vargas  
Leah Rae Walker  
Kenzie Lee Wallace  
Erin Nikole Warta  
Xavier Leshawn Werrell  
Arieyana Williams  
Carlie Williams  
Stephen Carl Williams  
Jocelyn Wilson  
AbbyGayle January Winn  
Guadalupe M. Yanez

### **Associate of Arts - Government**

Aaliyah Iglesias  
Selina Zacarias

### **Associate of Arts - History**

Courtney Kayne Deegan  
Leslie Lupita Gonzalez  
Sarah Grace Perry  
Jarot Ritter  
Jessica Renee Schultz  
Jordan Kyle Wells  
Lane Wheeler  
Sierra Rea Williams

### **Associate of Arts - Journalism/Mass Communication**

Denaiya Shamarjea Deann Reed

### **Associate of Arts - Music**

Jayden Nicole Barnes  
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### **Associate of Arts - Musical Theatre**

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### **Associate of Arts - Psychology**

Albertini Aduse-Poku  
Haleigh Ann Biggar  
Lillie Bryant  
Chassity Suzanne Chambless  
Raquel Coe  
Marlene Gutierrez  
Olivia Nicole Houston  
Miranda Lohr  
Hannah Rene Majors  
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Kyla Thomas  
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### **Associate of Arts - Social Work**

Skylar Nikole Allen  
Tony Casada  
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Prisila Anay Emiliano  
Stephany Flores  
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Priscilla Matauribe  
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Leslie Miller  
Jasmine Laann Moore  
Kaydence Newman  
Oscar Mario Nunez  
Robert Raymond Rivera  
Jessica L. Rosenbalm  
Jayden Nycole Sims  
Denise R. Walker

### **Associate of Arts - Sociology**

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Breeann Willich

### **Associate of Arts - Theatre**

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### **Associate of Arts - Teaching - EC-6; 4-8 Grade Levels**

Rosemary Anderson  
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Mallory Jane Burkett  
Shelby Lynne Cook  
Rossy Imelda Cortez  
Kennedi Celeste Faglie  
Kayden Nicole Freeman  
Rosalva Garcia Hernandez  
Jaci Cheyenne Hood  
Jodi Cheyenne Ingle  
Madison Johnson  
Ariel Ann Lindsley  
Lavonda Mitchell-Anderson  
Thomas William Muniz  
Taylor Michelle Reeves  
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Gabrielle S. Small  
Kayleigh Skye Tew  
Jacqueline Tovar  
Timera S. Turner  
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### **Associate of Arts - Teaching - EC-12 Special Education**

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### **Associate of Science - Biology**

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### **Associate of Science - Computer Science**

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Kaden Joseph Trigueiro

### **Associate of Science - Engineering**

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### **Associate of Science - Health Studies**

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Technology**

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**Associate of Applied Science -  
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Automotive Technology -  
Chassis and Drive Train**

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Jakob Perez  
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Engine Performance**

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Ke'Avia Brown  
Kameron Davis  
Demarquay Ford  
Nathaniel Levelle Godejohn  
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Child Development -  
Administrator's Credential**

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Claudia Duran  
Adrienne Nicole George  
Akoshua Gordon  
Natali Hernandez  
Veronica Lopez  
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and Design**

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Codye Taylor

**Certificate of Proficiency -  
Culinary Arts - Pastry Arts**

Erin Caroline Matejka

**Certificate of Proficiency -  
Desktop Support Technician**

Sean Michael Thomas

**Certificate of Proficiency -  
Electronics Fundamentals**

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Adan Tapia Mejia

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Jana Avalon Herrera

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Bryan Jimenez Cuevas

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Janese Largent

Kristopher R. Lawhorn

James Oneas Lynn

James Eric Maines

Chelsi Marie O'Grady

Justin Ortiz

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Heating, Air Conditioning and  
Refrigeration - Entry Level**

Chaylan Walker Rodgers

Phillip Susewind

**Certificate of Proficiency -  
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Joanny Puentes

**Certificate of Proficiency -  
Instrumentation, Electrical and  
Controls Fundamentals**

Samuel Carter Currey

Chris Alex Davila

Adan Tapia Mejia

**Certificate of Proficiency - Medical  
Insurance Coding Specialist**

Katie Gautier

Bridgette Antionette Timmins

Kristen Ann Verret

**Certificate of Proficiency -  
Medical Office Management**

Britney Carter

Katie Gautier

Marketa Starling

Bridgette Antionette Timmins

Kristen Ann Verret

**Certificate of Proficiency -  
Network Technology**

Micah Joel Goodman

Seth C. Matlock

Sean Michael Thomas

**Certificate of Proficiency -  
Ophthalmic Medical Assisting**

Gracie Kate Burch

Lizbeth Anai Canchola

Alidah Renee' Figard

Sellena K. Gerungan

Camila Abigail Giron Moreno

Imra Judit Orozco

La'Jia Tanae Taylor

Adrienne Wiseman

Mariana Zuniga

**Certificate of Proficiency -  
Public Administration**

Misty Lee Richardson

**Certificate of Proficiency - Visual  
Communication - Graphic Design**

Janelle Marie Bernal

Jordan James Campbell

Dakota Dewees

Christopher Hanlin

Rebekah Howard

**Certificate of Proficiency - Visual  
Communication - Photography**

Janelle Marie Bernal

Jordan James Campbell

## **Certificate of Proficiency - Vocational Nursing**

Alondra Marie Albarran  
Kimberly Arciga  
Ryan Rochelle Arnold  
Melanie Baker  
Esthela Barrera  
Shannon Rachelle Battee  
April Renee Brown  
Janea Y. Bryant  
Ja'Miyah Ka'Dai Burton  
Leilani Caballero  
Erica Cash  
Olha Chepul  
Nattalie Copeland  
Jessamyn Faith Coss  
Elias Dabbs  
Shelby Kay Daniel  
Anecia Mae Davidson  
Alyssa Jade Law Davila  
Melanie Delatrinidad  
Sindy Diaz  
Jennifer Egwu  
Destiny D'nae Ellis  
Rachel Emanuel  
Diana Esparza  
Adriana Ivette Estrada  
Heather Renae Folmar  
Raniqua Franklin  
Felicia A. Gallaway  
Evelin Vivian Garcia  
Yasmin Garcia  
Kailyn Ashlee Goodman  
Kawaii Me'chelle Gordon  
Kennedy Arman Hamilton  
Raven Janae Houston  
Anthony Michael Jackson  
Essence Sanaa Jackson  
Yungshing Denise Jackson  
Khaylee Janae Johnigan  
Ashley LeeAnn Jones  
Guadalupe Vanessa Juarez  
Stephanie Kennedy  
Kenyada Jalela Niomi Kincade  
Luz Deneb Licona Hernandez  
Cassey Leann Love  
Ja'Laia Macon  
Maria Magdalena Martinez  
Chaqwita Mayweather  
Yesica Mendoza  
Lizbeth Mojarro  
Marina Aimee Moreno  
Tiffany Cheyenne Neel  
Addison Nicole Palmer  
Darius L. Perkins  
Kristen Phifer  
Andrea N. Prentice

Raylee Danyelle Ramirez  
Galilea Rodriguez  
Claudia Rojas  
Stephanie Sanchez  
Jessica Sanders  
Bailey MacKenzie Schultz  
Monika Jo Shipley  
Dae'Sheion Sirles  
Griselda Sotelo  
Frances Uche Thomas  
Melanie Torres  
Brittney Rebeca Tovar  
Bianca Villalobos  
Rhiannon L. Wallen  
Jennifer Yebra

## **Certificate of Proficiency - Welding Technology - Advanced Level**

Daniel Almaguer  
Evan Andrew Bolin  
Pablo Ivan Castillo Jr.  
Eduardo Diaz Vallarta Jr.  
Preston Greene  
Obed Guerra  
Davis Heath Hanson  
Christian Wyatt Hesse

## **Certificate of Proficiency - Welding Technology - Entry Level**

Ashley Bishop  
Pablo Ivan Castillo Jr.  
Jacob Chaney  
Eduardo Diaz Vallarta Jr.  
Preston Greene  
Davis Heath Hanson  
Christian Wyatt Hesse  
Noah Nathanael McGowan  
Colton Lee Moncrief  
Jesus A. Mosqueda  
Maria Guadalupe Rodriguez  
Jacoby Remont Searcy  
Kha'lil Sneed  
Carlos Javier Vuelvas Gutierrez



# ACADEMIC HONORS

## Summa Cum Laude - With Highest Distinction

Zaina Albeige  
Nikko Noah Cabrera  
Monica Marie Castillo  
Anna Marie Dixon  
Sandy G. Encalada

Davis Heath Hanson  
Ashlyn Jenkins  
Jonathan Hunter Price  
Jarrett Dean Skelton

Reiley Elizabeth Spears  
Kaden Joseph Trigueiro  
Timera S. Turner  
Taylor van Zyl

## Magna Cum Laude - With Great Distinction

Esther Damilola Adeyanju  
Leiaj Boydon Almazan  
Belen Alvarez  
Electra Sapphire Bender  
Janelle Marie Bernal  
Trinity Elizabeth Boaz  
Sydney Bowers  
Kevin Michael Brotherton  
Kaylee Dawn Brousseau  
Janna L. Buchman  
Dawn Buju  
Emma Olivia Bullock  
R. Ruth Calvert  
Jordan James Campbell  
Danielle Laurene Cassady  
Jaycie Brooke Chambless  
Camden Paul Childress  
Carlie Cobb  
Raquel Coe  
Jessica Lea Davis  
Derek S. Degrate Jr.  
Bethany Jewel Denson  
Kate Isabella Durbin  
Fantasi Durrenberger  
Travis Wayne Farley  
Noelle Ashley Feiden  
Kimberly Ferguson  
Peyton Eugene Fobel  
Tatum Leigh Foster  
Kayden Nicole Freeman  
Lori Isabella Gamble  
Lessly Anahi Garza  
Jeremy Michael Giles  
Laura Gomez  
Reagan Alley Goode  
Madeleine Grace Hardy  
Ashlyn Michelle-Duchess  
Henderson  
Haley Hollis

Darcy Howe  
Rochelle Hulme  
Sean Hulme  
Moe Emma Iwasaka  
Tanya Lynn Jackson-Lee  
Gracie Kate Jenison  
Jacqueline Janet Jimenez  
TaDasha D. Jones  
Eli Hayden Kenna  
Christina Sharri Klump  
Ivanna Centhia Knight  
Robyn Knight  
Elisa Lajqi  
Brooke Ashlyn Laymance  
Caiden Leon-Duffey  
Jose Francisco Lopez  
Teresa Lozano  
Abigail Madera Gonzalez  
Nha Duyen Mai  
Sean-Michael Mallard  
Raul Martin  
Isabel Martinez  
Linda Calvillo Martinez  
Priscilla Matauribe  
Sandra Jade McPherson  
Maritza Melissa Mendez  
Sarah Olivia Menini  
Alisha Mickens  
Mallory Mitchell  
Taylor Jacob Mitchell  
Salvador Moreno  
Elaysia Syreal-Adrionne  
Morgan  
Robert S. Moser  
Ricky L. Needham  
Madison Neely  
Maria Nunez  
Savanna Nunn

Meibel Eunice Padilla  
Carranza  
Giorgia Paggiaro  
Robert Braden Peacock  
Daniel Perez  
Sarah Grace Perry  
Jackelin Elizabeth Martinez  
Preciado  
Makayla Nicole Pullen  
Belen Abigail Quintero  
Trinity C. Ramirez  
Victor G. Ramos  
Robert Raymond Rivera  
Samantha (Zachary)  
Robinette  
Karina Romero Gaytan  
Joanna Salguero Rodriguez  
Jessica Sarai Saenz  
Jacob Brent Sanchez  
Dillon Joseph Santos  
Olivia Cameron Scott  
Kayla Brianne Stallworth  
Elias Nathanael Stroud  
Mary Kathryn Tarver  
Haley Prazak Tucker  
Courtney Rae Turner  
Jessica Valdez  
Xoe Jade Varner  
Ruth Vizcaino  
Luke Anthony Waggoner  
MaKayla Wallace  
Victoria Cunningham Wells  
Lane Wheeler  
Carlie Williams  
Stephen Carl Williams  
Ma'Kayla Da'Gracia  
Williams-Pierson  
Jared Dewayne Woods

# ACADEMIC HONORS

## Cum Laude - With Distinction

Kimberley Acosta	Stephanie Gandarilla	Joanny Puentes
Abigail Grayce Aggen	Adrienne Nicole George	Eunice Ramirez Marin
Autumn Shade Aiken	Albert Gonzales	Adriana Ramos
Antonio Cruz Jr	Justin Griffith	Jose Julian Ramos
Brittany Lynn Alexander	Diamond T. Hardeman	Codie Riley
Jerrica Alexander-Cork	Cezar L. Hernandez	Katie O'Brien Robison
Alyssa Danielle Angel	Myah Christyne Atherton	Destiny Elizabeth Rogers
Homero Aparicio Jr.	Hoyle	Brittany Rote
Hunter Barth	Aaliyah Iglesias	Jim Clyde Mandapat Rubia
Tamara Elaine Blain	Jodi Cheyenne Ingle	Andrik Rubio
Emmanuel Bolanos	Patrick Hannon Johnson	Alexander Jesus Santiago
Ryan Tyler Bowdoin	Leon Kaba	Jonathan Neal Scott
Mallory Jane Burkett	Ricardo Lara	Mia Ruth Shaw
KiAndria Shunrae Cain	Florence Patrick C. Larano	Alexis Nichole Shelton
Bryce Campbell Caldwell	Sydney Leigh Latham	Alma Silva
Ruth Anne Camp	Samaira Monet Lewis	Christa Faith Simmons
Kenny Campos	Anthony Bryce Limbrick	Ricki Cheyenne Sims
Mariana De Jesus Casiano	Miranda Lohr	Stephanie Kae Smith
Carla Cazares	Jennifer Lopez Estrada	April Elizabeth Snyder
Shana Clark	Jennifer Rose Love	Emily Streetman
Mallory Rae Cook	Denisha Lasha Mathews	Keith Eric Tate
Shelby Lynne Cook	Elizabeth Renia McCorvey	Kyla Thomas
Kristen Pauline Davenport	Daniel Medina	Bridgette Antionette
Ellyse J. Daye	Samuel Anthony Merrell	Timmins
Kendra Sue DeGuentz	Kailee Elizabeth Millsap	John Troxell
Letrica Donnell-Williams	Joel Newman	JaDasia Turner
Adalynn Duncan	Oscar Mario Nunez	Salma Umme
Jesda Duong	Chelsi Marie O'Grady	Frank Vargas
Prisila Anay Emiliano	Estrella Nunez Palacios	David Vo
Chris Emanuel Escalante	Ronald Isaac Paz	Kenzie Lee Wallace
Fabiola Espinoza	Nicholas Ryan Pence	Brianna West
Magdalena Estrada	Samantha Danielle Pettit	Jocelyn Wilson
Kennedi Celeste Faglie	Brayden Lee Pike	Gerardo Zavala
Jasmyne Meshelle Forney	Dalarin Marquist Puckett	Esmeralda Zeferino

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**CUM LAUDE**  
**3.3 GRADE POINT**  
**AVERAGE**

**MAGNA CUM LAUDE**  
**3.6 GRADE POINT**  
**AVERAGE**

**SUMMA CUM LAUDE**  
**4.0 GRADE POINT**  
**AVERAGE**

The honors designations listed have been calculated on all except the last semester completed courses. They will be recalculated including the last semester, which may raise or lower the honors designation.

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## Phi Theta Kappa

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## Presidential Honors Scholarship

Leiaj Boydon Almazan  
Calyssa Layne Boggs  
Camden Paul Childress  
Peyton Eugene Fobel

Aaliyah Iglesias  
Estrella Nunez Palacios  
Sarah Grace Perry  
Karina Romero Gaytan

Joanna Salguero Rodriguez  
Luke Anthony Waggoner  
Carlie Williams

## Dean's Scholarship

Celeste Castillo

# ACADEMIC HONORS

## Rusk TJC Citizens Promise Scholarship

Calysa Layne Boggs

Dianne Loreda

## TJC Promise Scholarship

Abigail Grayce Aggen  
Zaina Albeige  
Homero Aparicio Jr.  
Trinity Elizabeth Boaz  
Kaylee Dawn Brousseau  
Mallory Jane Burkett  
Lazarus Lamar Caldwell

Benjamin Chesley  
Peyton Eugene Fobel  
Zyan Scles Foster  
Zion Nikolai Gort  
Justin Griffith  
Estrella Nunez Palacios

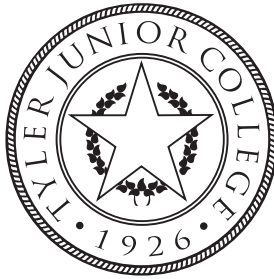
Alma Silva  
Conner Bryant Smith  
John Troxell  
Christiana Nicole Ussery  
Xoe Jade Varner  
Kenzie Lee Wallace

## Military Veterans

Preston Arnold  
Chris Emanuel Escalante  
Cezar L Hernandez  
Veronica Esther Little

Brayden Lee Pike  
Robert Raymond Rivera  
April Elizabeth Snyder

Jordan Kyle Wells  
Stephen Carl Williams  
Gerardo Zavala



## Alma Mater

All Apaches, men and maidens  
Raise your voices high  
Till the echoes heavy laden  
Swell up to the sky!  
On to Honor! On to Glory!  
On to Victory!  
Hail to thee our Alma Mater!  
Hail to T-J-C!

## **GOWNS AND HOODS**

Gowns are patterned differently for the different degrees. The gown for the associate degree and for the bachelor's degree has pointed sleeves.

The gown for the master's degree has an oblong sleeve. The rear part of the oblong shape is square cut, and the front part has an arc cutaway.

The gown for the doctoral degree has bell-shaped sleeves.

There is no trimming for the associate degree or for the bachelor's or master's degrees. For the doctoral degree, the gown is faced down the front with black velvet with three bars of the same across the sleeves; or those facings and crossbars may be made of velvet of the color distinctive of the subject to which the degree pertains.

For all academic purposes, including the tassels of caps and the hoods, the colors pertain to the different subjects. These are maize for Agriculture; white for Arts, Letters, Humanities; yellow brown for Commerce, Accountancy, Business; lilac for Dentistry; copper for Economics; light blue for Education; orange for Engineering; brown for Fine Arts, including Architecture; russet for Forestry; crimson for Journalism; purple for Law; lemon for Library Science; green for Medicine; pink for Music; apricot for Nursing; olive green for Pharmacy; dark blue for Philosophy; sage green for Physical Education; peacock blue for Public Administration; salmon pink for Public Health; golden yellow for Science; citron for Social Work; silver gray for Speech; scarlet for Theology; and gray for Veterinary Science.

The hoods are lined with the official color or colors of the college or university conferring the degrees.

## **ACADEMIC MACE**

The Academic Mace represents the five schools of the College and celebrates academic excellence, integrity and scholarship. This very important symbol is carried by the president of the faculty senate during all Commencement Ceremonies and conveys the value and importance of faculty and academic leaders to fulfilling the mission of the institution. The mace staff is made of hand-turned American walnut and capped by a four-sided crown with recessed velvet panels. Bronze seals of the College are permanently set in the velvet recesses. The Academic Mace resides in the office of the Provost.

## **PRESIDENTIAL MACE**

The Presidential Mace represents the President and the President's Cabinet, and serves as a symbol of commitment and loyalty to the values which the institution holds dear.

The mace was crafted from cherry wood by East Texas artisans, and includes at its base a silver dollar from 1926, the year the College was founded.

Seven brass-inlaid bands near the bottom represent the institution's seven presidents, and five additional bands represent each of the schools.

A pentagon at the top symbolizes the five core values: unity, caring, integrity, empowering and excellence, and each value is engraved in Latin, with lettering in gold on a black field.

Atop the pentagon rests a handmade copper flame, which represents both the flame of knowledge and a passion for service to the College's students and communities.

The Presidential Mace resides in the Office of the President and is continuously illuminated by a lamp that is on 24 hours a day, representing the ongoing quest for knowledge and learning.

## **THE PRESIDENTIAL CHAIN OF OFFICE**

The Presidential Chain of Office, worn by the College president, is made of antique bronze with black enamel accents, in honor of the College's school colors, black and gold.

The medallion, its most prominent feature, bears the College seal and is flanked by smaller stars mirroring the seal and symbolizing the Lone Star State.

The back of the medallion is engraved with TJC's founding year of 1926 and surrounded by roses, in recognition of TJC's strong ties to the city of Tyler. The links of the chain are engraved with the names of the previous six presidents. The Chain is displayed and secured next to the Presidential Mace in the Office of the President.

# TJC GONFALON OVAL ART SYMBOLS

## **Engineering, Mathematics, and Sciences**

Da Vinci's Vitruvian Man represents symmetry, proportion and biology, all important to disciplines in this school. Global connections, essential to societal and institutional studies, are also portrayed in this image.

## **Humanities, Communications, and Fine Arts**

A human profile symbolizes the arts and sciences. Within the circular universe of knowledge a hand represents the creativity necessary for discovery. Discovery is presented as a small circle. A foundation of three open books represents the importance of passing on knowledge to the next generation.

## **Nursing and Health Sciences**

Caring hands that lift the flame of knowledge symbolize the efforts of the faculty of the School of Nursing and Health Sciences. The flame is held high to represent a deep respect for truth, compassion, human dignity, and the advancement of skills and knowledge to the next generation of health care providers.

## **Professional and Technical Programs**

Preparing today's graduates for tomorrow's information age and globalization. A globe indicates the reach of our TJC graduates and the scope of their possibilities. The three active orbital paths symbolize the combination of technology, openness to change, and preparation for professional entry into various occupations using knowledge and skills attained in the School of Professional and Technology Programs.

## **Skilled Trades and Continuing Studies**

The wheel of business and industry supported by the hand represents the interconnectivity between the technical skills required for advanced manufacturing and the people skills required for effective leadership. The circular image of the wheel with gears symbolizes the interdependencies within the School of Skilled Trades and Continuing Studies as we foster lifelong learning and continuous improvement.