## NAVARRO COLLEGE

# VOCATIONAL NURSING CLASS OF 2025

COMMENCEMENT & PINNING CEREMONY

AUGUST 16, 2025 1:00 P.M.



WOLENS SPECIAL EVENTS CENTER
NAVARRO COLLEGE - CORSICANA

#### HISTORY OF THE NURSING PIN

The nursing pin is a symbol of service to others and identifies the graduate as an individual who has successfully completed a course of study in nursing as well as identifies the school from which he or she has graduated. The nursing pin symbolizes compassion for patients and for the suffering in this world and stands for the best in nursing.

#### SIGNIFICANCE OF THE NAVARRO COLLEGE SEAL

The Navarro College seal is the official symbol of the institution. It is round to represent the perpetual search for "Wisdom," "Truth," and "Knowledge," the three Greek words inscribed on the seal. In the center of the seal stand the "Doors of Opportunity" which welcomes all students who seek to join the tradition of excellence. Since it was chartered in 1946, the doors have been the hallmark of Navarro College.



#### **PROGRAM**

Processional	Vocational Nursing Class of 2025
Invocation	
Welcome	Guy E Featherston Executive Dean of Health Professions and Navarro College - Waxahachie
President's Address	
Awards Presentation	Debbie Valek  Vocational Nursing Director  Georgia Dixon  Vocational Nursing Coordinator  Angela Crane  Vocational Nursing Coordinator
Presentation of Certificates	Jeanetta Johnson, Ed.D.  Vice President of Academic Affairs
Announcement of Graduates	Vice President of Student Success
Presentation of Pins	Vocational Nursing Faculty
Conferring of Certificates	Kevin G. Fegan, Ed.D.  District President
Lighting of Lamps Florence Nightingale Pledge	
Navarro College Alma Mater	Vice President of Student Success
Benediction	Olufemi Soyombo Waxahachie
Closing Remarks	Guy E Featherston Executive Dean of Health Professions and Navarro College - Waxahachie
Recessional	Pomp and Circumstance

## VOCATIONAL NURSING GRADUATES - CLASS OF 2025 -

#### **CORSICANA**

Caitlynn M. Aguirre Mackenzie Alphin Randa Gayle Alsup Kaylee Billock Samantha Rae Evan Fonseca Daisy Gonzalez Dalia Guzman Marissa Marler
Jaci Brooke Henderson Alyza Morales
Brittnie Joy Henson Lauren Reyes
Bethany Marie House Madison Sykes
Michelle Lee Lozano Michele White
Jose Alejandro Martinez-Delgado Raquel Zuniga

#### **MEXIA**

Nashlee Barnes Christeen Burroughs Erika Clater Kellie Copeland Sky Duke Jessica Freeland Mason Hargrove Jamie Hemphill Natalie Nicole Herrin Grecia Juarez Amarycuss Lockridge Katilyn McDonald Brenden Morrow Kaitlyn Pagel McKenzie Palermo Regan Pavelka Maria Perez Samara Rodriguez Kandice Nicole Sandlin Kaylee Smith Elizabeth West

#### MIDLOTHIAN

Clara Ahanonu Maria Del Rosario Ashford Alyssa Ashmore Leilani Grace Bennett Lanie Bray Aundrea Suzanne Deacon Alyssa Dowdy Joy Ijeoma Ekeh Ruth Noemi Esparza Jasmin Espinoza Kayla Henderson Charity Ladawn Manos Sylvester Ahamefule Mgbahurike Cyera Miles Yulissa Yasmin Moreno Eziuche C. Okon James

Anastasia Osae Araceli Péna Jacqueline Rodriguez Perez Irma Lucero Portillo Alaina Robinson Christopher Sherrill

#### WAXAHACHIE

Carlie Estep

Mikayla Irene Acosta Opeoluwa O. Afolabi Cassidy Rae Allen Ti'Nya Symone' Anderson Natasha R. Bisor Abigail Buchanan Heather Butler Macey Carter Bryan Castillo Akhia Chambers Shativia Nicole Cockran Desirea McKayla Davalos Edward Lee Davis Jr. Mia Jazmine De Coronado Cierra Marie Doblado

Juliana Gabriola
Ann W. Gitau
Avery Green
Marissa Marie Hernandez
Yarely Hernandez
Kourtnee Hortman
Lacee Hortman
Merall Janjua
Jashabreon Jones
Kambria Nashay Jones
Yulisa Lino
Natalie Martin
Elizabeth Carolina Martinez

Guadalupe Pecina Miranda Rodarte Aybrianna Rose Lizette Sandoval Brogan Sloan Abby Elizabeth Smith Olufemi Soyombo Jnr. Madiah Zhane Stroupe Tayla Elise Thompson Tresur Tukes LaNiyah Nicole Turner Alysia Valencia

April Waddington

Iamie D.Williams

Rachel Briana Nigo

### Plorence Hightingale Pledge

I solemnly pledge myself before God and in the presence of this assembly to pass my life in purity and to practice my profession faithfully. I will abstain from whatever is deleterious and mischievous and will not take or knowingly administer any harmful drug. I will do all in my power to maintain and elevate the standard of my profession and will hold in confidence all personal matters committed to my keeping and all family affairs coming to my knowledge in the practice of my calling. With loyalty will I endeavor to aid the physician in his work and devote myself to the welfare of those committed to my care.

The listing of graduates is based upon information provided prior to printing of the program.

The appearance or absence of any name in the program does not constitute recognition or denial of completion of degree requirements nor the conferring of honors.

## VOCATIONAL NURSING FACULTY & STAFF

Guy E Featherston, Executive Dean of Health Professions and Navarro College - Waxahachie

Patti Binger, Coordinator of Operations for Health Professions/Advisor

Debbie Valek, MSN, RN, Program Director/Associate Professor

#### **CORSICANA**

Lisa Nelson, RN, Assistant Professor
Caycie Collins, BSN, RN, Assistant Professor
Jordan Waggoner, LVN, Adjunct Faculty
Glenda Carter Jones, MSN, RN, Adjunct Faculty

#### **MEXIA**

Angela Crane, BSN, RN, Coordinator/Associate Professor
Staci Markham, RN, Assistant Professor
Alyssa Gardea, RN, Adjunct Faculty

#### **MIDLOTHIAN**

Sheena Webb, BSN, RN, Assistant Professor Sharon Burleson, RN, Assistant Professor Alice Blazek, RN, Adjunct Faculty

#### WAXAHACHIE

Georgia Dixon, BSN, RN, Coordinator/Associate Professor
Sharon Wolfe, RN, CDP, Associate Professor
Sherry Foster-Williams, RN, Associate Professor
Rachel Hawthorne, BSN, RN, Associate Professor
Klebe Brumble, BA, RN, Adjunct Faculty

#### HISTORY OF NAVARRO COLLEGE

Navarro College was founded in 1946 by a group of local citizens committed to furthering the educational opportunities of the local community. The first students began classes in September, 1946, on the site of the former Air Activities of Texas Flight School located six miles south of Corsicana.

In 1951, the campus was moved to its present location, which currently includes 117 acres, 13 academic buildings, and 24 student housing units.

In an attempt to address the growing needs of its service area, which consists of Navarro, Ellis, Freestone, Limestone, and Leon counties, the College began offering courses in various locations within those areas and eventually established three additional locations, Navarro College - Mexia, located in Limestone County, Navarro College - Waxahachie, and Navarro College - Midlothian, both located in Ellis County.

Navarro College has had eight presidents: Mr. Ray Waller, the founding president served until his death in 1956; Dr. Ben W. Jones served from 1956 until 1973; Dr. Kenneth P. Walker served from 1974 until 1988; Dr. Gerald E. Burson served from 1989 until his retirement in January 1998; Dr. Richard Sanchez served from 1998 until his first retirement in 2013 and returned again from 2016 - 2018; Dr. Barbara Kavalier served from 2013 until 2016; and Dr. Kevin G. Fegan is the current District President and began his service in September 2018.

#### SIGNIFICANCE OF THE COLORS OF THE ACADEMIC REGALIA WORN BY THE FACULTY AND ADMINISTRATION OF NAVARRO COLLEGE

The color of the velvet edging of the hood indicates the degree, and the color of the lining indicates the college colors of the institution that conferred the degree.

The hood for the Master of Arts displays a white velvet edging; the Master of Science, a gold edging; the Doctor of Divinity and Doctor of Theology, a scarlet fringe; the Doctor of Laws, purple; the Doctor of Philosophy and Doctor of Psychology, blue; the Doctor of Literature, white; and the Doctor of Education and Specialist in Education, light blue.

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#### **DISTRICT PRESIDENT**

Kevin G. Fegan, Ed.D.

#### NAVARRO COLLEGE

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