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COLLEGE

2025

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 15TH

10:00 AM

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Commencement

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 of that year, 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 these counties and eventually established the following permanent 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, the current District President, began his service in September 2018.

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.

Processional

Pomp and Circumstance

Invocation

The National Anthem

Tara Peters, Ph.D.

*Executive Director of Workforce,
Career and Technical Education*

Welcome

Jeanetta Johnson, Ed.D.

Vice President of Academic Affairs

Introductions

Kevin G. Fegan, Ed.D.

District President

Greetings from the Board of Trustees

Mr. Phil Judson

Board Chairman

Recognition of Outstanding Graduates

Jeanetta Johnson, Ed.D.

Vice President of Academic Affairs

Significance of the Hoods

Guy E Featherston

*Executive Dean of Health Professions
and Navarro College - Waxahachie*

Presentation of Candidates for Graduation

Jeanetta Johnson, Ed.D.

Vice President of Academic Affairs

Conferring of Degrees

Kevin G. Fegan, Ed.D.

District President

Navarro College Alma Mater

Sina Ruiz

Vice President of Student Success

Recorded by Navarro College Band and Choir

Closing Remarks

Kevin G. Fegan, Ed.D.

District President

Recessional

Pomp and Circumstance

Special appreciation goes to Michael Landers, Executive Director of Student Services and Athletics,
for announcing the names and honors of each graduate at this year's commencement ceremony.

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING DEGREE

Honors denoted are based on May 2025 overall GPA

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|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Amy Bah** | Cheyan Flanagan** | Lauren Quinones** |
| Kristalyn Brown** | Addie McClellan | Lesley Ruiz |
| Ashley Bumford** | Krista McCoy* | Mitchell Ryan** |
| Sarah Castillo** | Eric Minniear* | Olga Sims** |
| Lauren Cunningham** | Huu Hoang Nguyen*** | Brianna Smith** |
| Yeni Aguilar* | Khong Xa Nguyen*** | Tyler Wornat* |

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE

Honors denoted are based on May 2025 overall GPA

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|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Litzzy Aldaco* | Tamia Campbell* | Victor Morales |
| Jessica Alonso | Cody Hudson* | Asia Pope |
| Chloe Birdwell** | Andres Lezama | Nicholas Young* |
| | Jocelyn Mata | |

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS IN TEACHING DEGREE

Honors denoted are based on May 2025 overall GPA

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| Lizvet Altamira** | Alondra Barrientos** | Tiffany Kaptchinskier* |
| Nely Barajas | Madison Bell | Jordan Kidd |
| Brittany Barreto** | Josie-Ann Erwin | Calleigh Leathers** |
| | Trinity Jones | |

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREE

Honors denoted are based on May 2025 overall GPA

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|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Nathan Albarran | Desirey Castro** | Erica Gamino* |
| Jessie Arteaga | Brianna Chavez | Jackson Gilliam** |
| Marisol Bahena | Jonathan Clark* | Autum Glenn* |
| Jaylan Battie | Elena Cuellar | Karla Gonzalez** |
| Ruby Botello* | Daniel Drake** | Xavier Gordon |
| Jeffrey Brown | Christian Ezell | Daniel Grifaldo** |
| Andrea Carter | McLane Fleming | Adriana Griffith |

*** denotes summa cum laude

** denotes magna cum laude

* denotes cum laude

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREE

Honors denoted are based on May 2025 overall GPA

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|---------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Gianna Harris | Nereyda Lopez* | Hannah Ridgway* |
| Kaylee Hickerson | Johana Mancilla Charre** | Julio Rodriguez** |
| Mackenzie Hodges* | Kevin Mar | Valarie Saldivar |
| Jaydon Hogg | Jacob Martinez** | Laura Sanchez |
| Kylie Huston | Natalia Mata Rodriguez** | Kylie Shores* |
| Armani Knipper | Sylvia Mendoza* | Brooke Snodgrass* |
| Jasmine Kumah | Ashley Moreno | Ingrid Trujillo |
| Kyleigh Leatherwood | Andre Moron* | Kathryn Wilkie** |
| Angelica Limon | Raquel Ortega | Aniyah Young |
| | Nicole Ramos** | |

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE

Honors denoted are based on May 2025 overall GPA

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| Jordan Azua* | Bryant Harts | Juliahnna Ledbetter |
| Victoria Garrett-Goodman | Sheamber Isom* | Shelby Williams** |

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

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|-----------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Jordan Azua* | Madison Richardson** | Landon Thomas*** |
| William Basham | William Savage** | Alec Whetstone |
| Alex Castillo** | Savannah Teakell-Vanmeter* | Shelby Williams** |
| Garrett Hill** | | |

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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.

The program is issued as a ceremonial publication and is not an official record of graduates. The awarding of degrees will be based on the outcome of final examinations and final grades. The College apologizes for any errors or omissions.

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Photos on Social Media With #NCDawgs2025**

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SIGNIFICANCE OF SUMMA CUM LAUDE, MAGNA CUM LAUDE AND CUM LAUDE HONORS

Summa Cum Laude is an honor bestowed upon students receiving associate degrees who have compiled a perfect academic record. To graduate summa cum laude, a student must have achieved a 4.0 grade-point average on all work attempted at Navarro College and other post-secondary institutions attended.

Magna Cum Laude is an honor bestowed upon students receiving associate degrees who have compiled an almost perfect academic record. To graduate magna cum laude, a student must have achieved a 3.50 grade-point average on all work attempted at Navarro College and other post-secondary institutions attended and have no grade lower than "C."

Cum Laude is an honor bestowed upon students receiving associate degrees who have compiled a superior academic record. To graduate cum laude, a student must have achieved a 3.25 grade-point average on all work attempted at Navarro College and other post-secondary institutions attended and have no grade lower than "C."

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE REGALIA WORN BY THE NAVARRO COLLEGE GRADUATES

HONORS STOLES

Phi Theta Kappa: Students who have earned a 3.5 or better grade-point average are invited to join the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society for community colleges. The three ideals represented by Phi Theta Kappa are three Greek words meaning wisdom, aspiration, and purity. The symbols shown on the stoles worn by the graduates convey the three ideals. The gold Phi Theta Kappa honor stole may also display a symbol noting the graduate's pursuit of academics and athletics in National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA), the academic study of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), or excellence in Nursing studies.

COMMENCEMENT STOLES

These stoles are uniquely designed to distinguish different credentials.

White - Certificate of Completion | Black - Associate Degree | Red - Bachelor Degree

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE MILITARY CORD

Navarro College recognizes graduating veterans by inviting them to wear red, white and blue cords as a special form of recognition for their service to our country. The cord signifies the appreciation Navarro College has for our military and veteran students for their commitment, selfless service, and sacrifice.

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE BULLDOGS UNITE MEDALLION

Navarro College presents these medallions to all who participate in the Bulldogs Unite Ceremony, an affinity celebration, bringing together students, faculty, staff and community to celebrate Navarro College and the importance of being a member of the Bulldog Family.

NAVARRO COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Phil Judson, *Chairman*

Richard L. Aldama, *Vice Chariman*

Faith D. Boyd *Secretary/Treasurer*

A.L. Atkeisson

Loran Seely

K.C. Wyatt

John Paul Ross

Corsicana, Texas

Corsicana, Texas

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Corsicana, Texas

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NAVARRO COLLEGE
DISTRICT PRESIDENT

Kevin G. Fegan, Ed.D.

NAVARRO COLLEGE
DISTRICT AND CAMPUS LEADERSHIP TEAM

Jeanetta Johnson, Ed.D.

Sina Ruiz

Marcy Ballew

Teresa Thomas, CPA

Tara Peters, Ph.D.

Michael Landers

Richey Cutrer

Richard Phillips, Ed.D.

Guy E Featherston

Jeanette Robinson

Christina Mims

Stacie Sipes

Barry Sullivan

Susan Womack

Karen Simons

Vice President of Academic Affairs

Vice President of Student Success

Vice President of Operations

Vice President of Finance

*Executive Director of Workforce,
Career and Technical Education*

*Executive Director of
Student Services and Athletics*

*Executive Director of
Navarro College Foundation*

Executive Dean of Academic Studies

*Executive Dean of Health Professions
and Navarro College - Waxahachie*

*Dean of Dual Credit
and Navarro College - Midlothian*

Assistant Dean of Navarro College - Mexia

*Executive Director of Marketing
and Public Relations*

Chief Information Officer

*Director of Institutional Research
and Effectiveness*

*Executive Assistant
to the District President*



THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!

Let us know your thoughts about the ceremony. Scan the QR code or visit the web link to take a quick survey. <https://bit.ly/2025SummerCommencementPinningNC>

ALMA MATER

Hail Navarro, Hail Navarro
Loyal sons are we.
Hail to thee, our Alma Mater,
Hail, all hail to thee.
Lift your voices, sing her praises,
Cheer for victory;
Honor to thee, proud Navarro.
Glory now to thee.



FIGHT SONG

Fight on you Bulldogs, fight till you win,
fight on to victory. We'll back the red and white
and our men with loyalty.
Let's give a cheer and make echoes ring,
let's yell, yell with all our might.
The vic'try is sealed; our team never yields,
Bulldogs fight, fight, fight.
B-U-L-L-D-O-G-S! GO BULLDOGS!