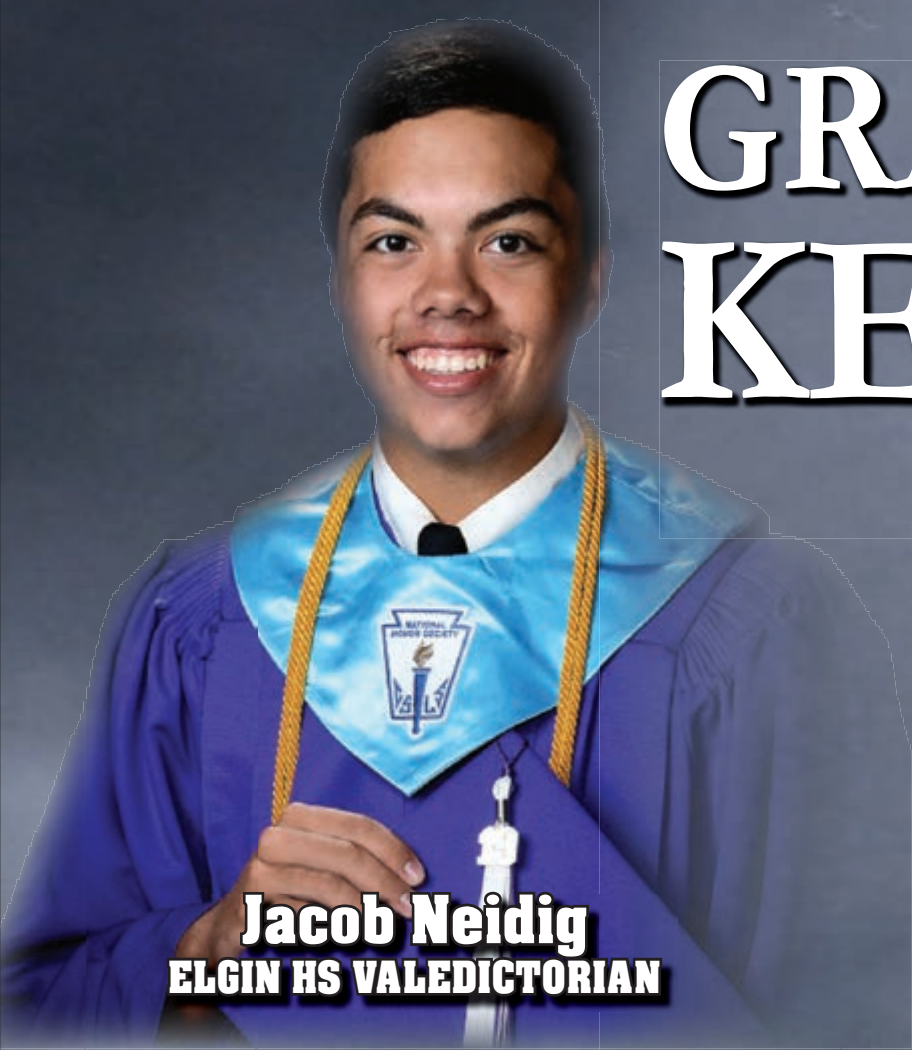


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Kaylee Berdoll



Alyssa Brandt



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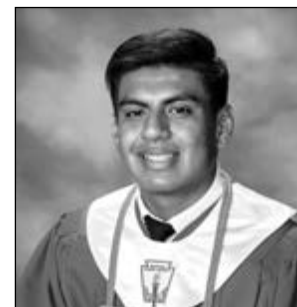
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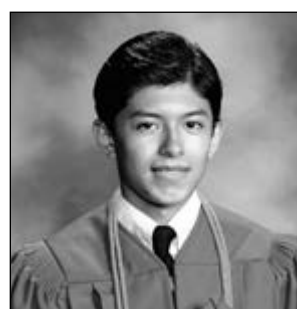
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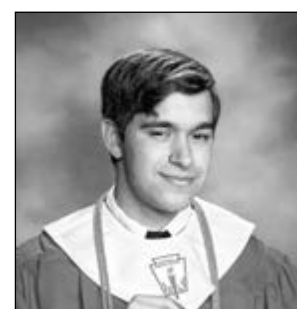
Alyssa Ramirez



Luis Rivera



Camari Stiggers



Seth Stuart



Lizeth Tapia Plancarte



Jodie Taylor



Kevin Vidales



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Anna Young



Evan Young

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*Graduates*

Congratulations to our members of the **Class of 2019!**  
Top row (l-r): Jalen Contreras, Xyla- Jo Richardson, Rene Aguirre, Marcos Falcon  
Bottom row (l-r): David Perez, Daphne Henze, Alyssa Ramirez, Jessica Franks.  
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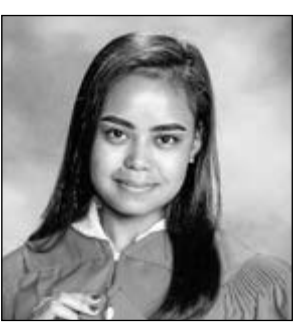
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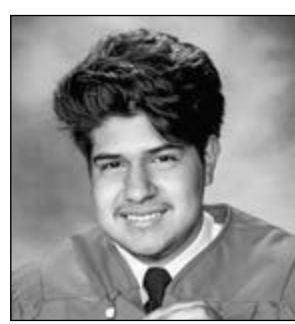
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Susana Aguinaga Ramirez



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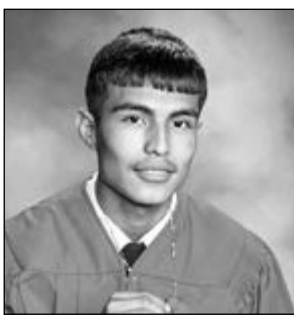
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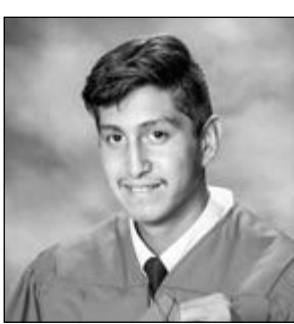
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Aaron Arce



Elviamary Arreola



Miguel Ascencio



Bricely Ascencio-Reynoso



Kimberly Ashby



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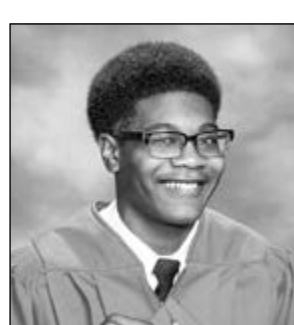
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Blythe Bowers



Corey Brantley



Keeley Branton



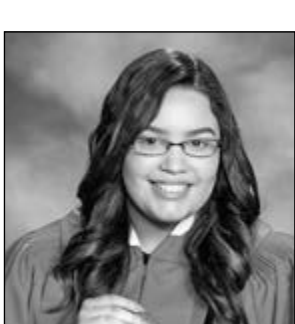
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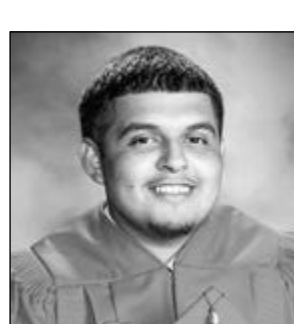
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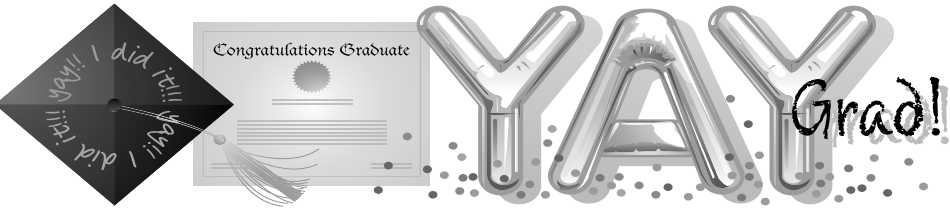
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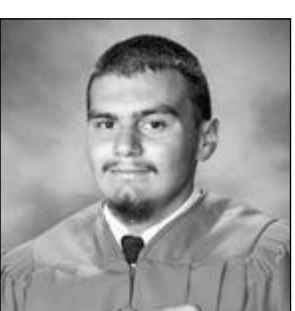
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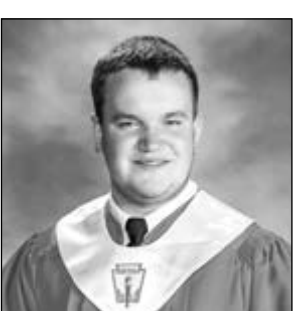
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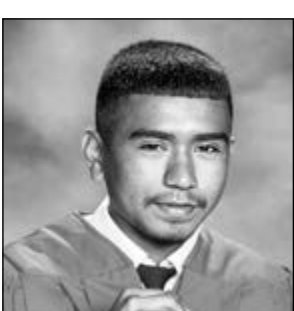
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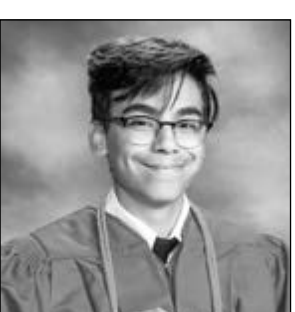
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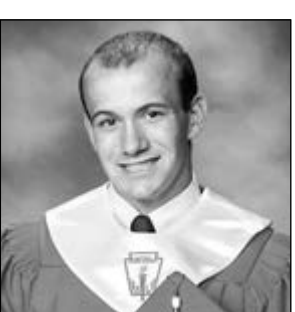
Jonathan Espinoza Vergara



Kenneth Esquivel-Chavarin



Marcos Falcon



Maxwell Fisher



Rafael Flores



Justin Florie



Marcus Foreman

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Mom

**Vanessa Jimenez**  
CLASS OF 2019

Felicidades Vanessa!  
Te queremos y Vanessa Jimenez estamos orgullosos de ti  
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Te quiere tu  
Papa, Mama y Hermano.



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Eduardo Fortuna



Harley Franklin



Hunter Franzen



Atyanna Freeman



Estephania Garza



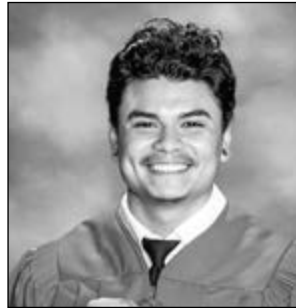
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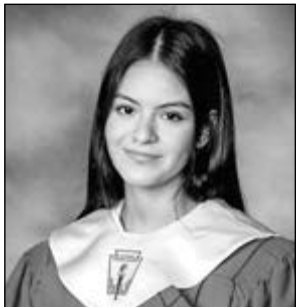
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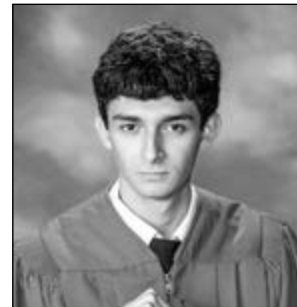
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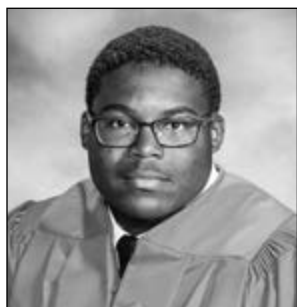
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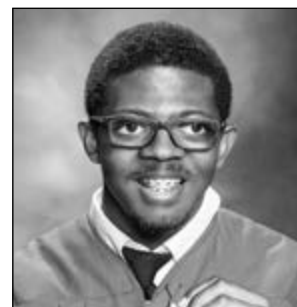
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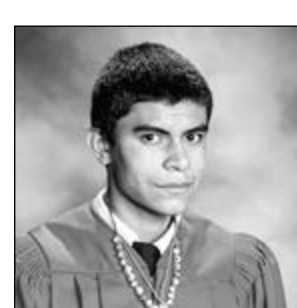
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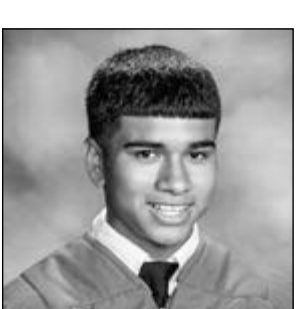
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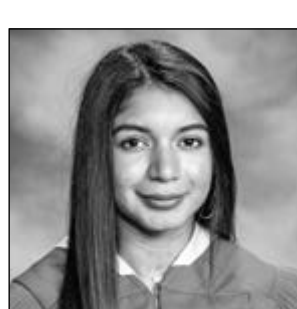
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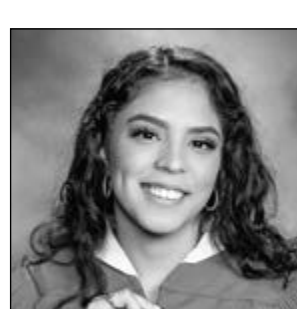
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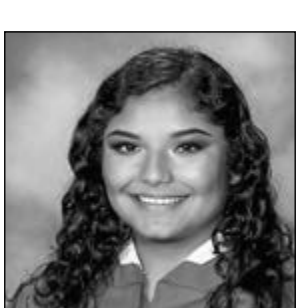
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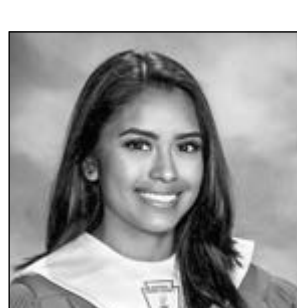
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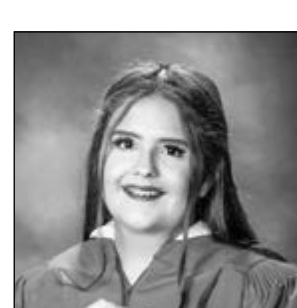
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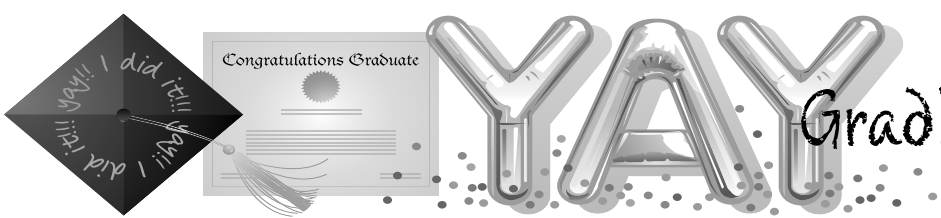
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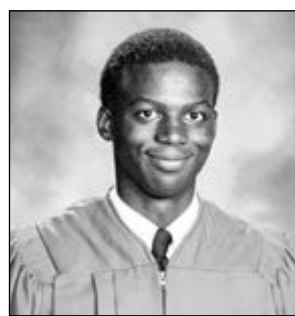
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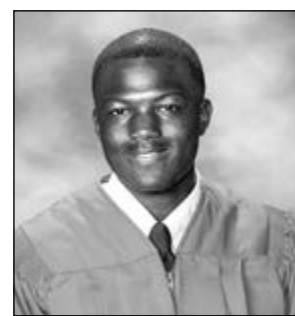
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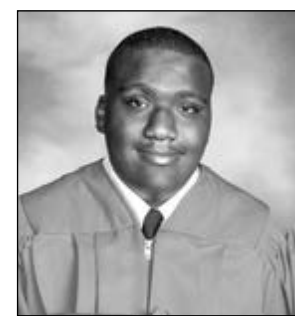
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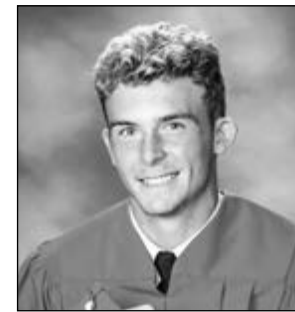
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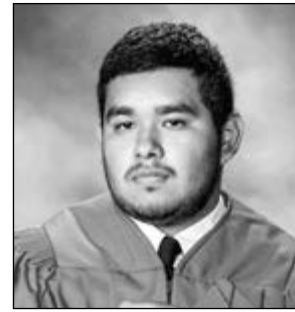
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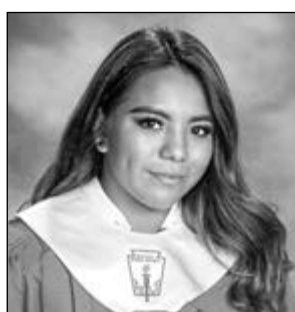
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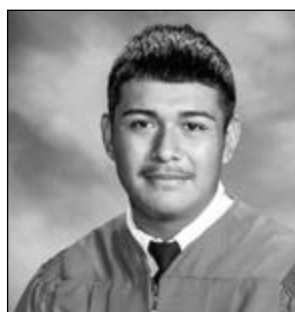
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Beatriz Mendoza



Daniel Mendoza



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We are so proud of you for all your hard work, persistence, and determination. Graduating in 3 years is such an accomplishment! We wish you the best of luck at Texas A&M University.

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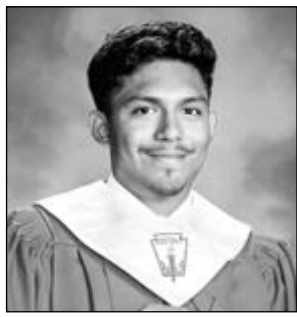
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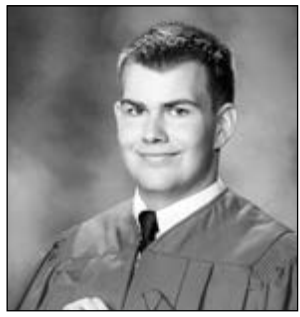
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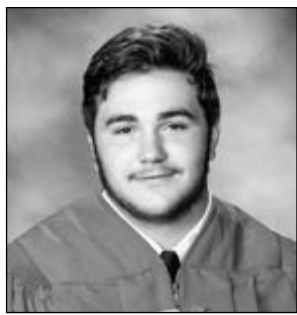
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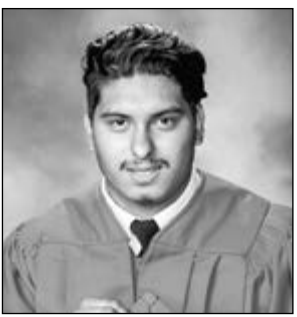
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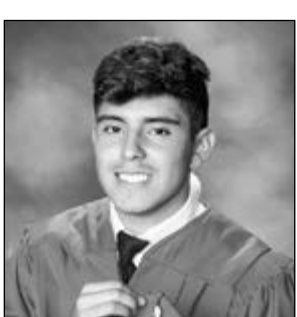
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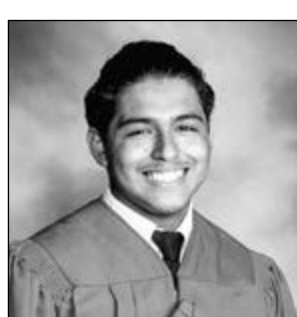
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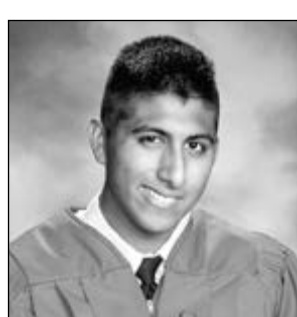
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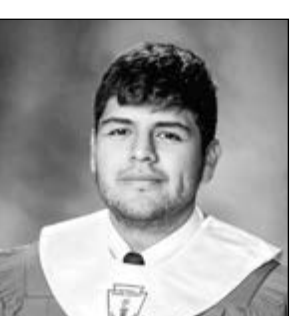
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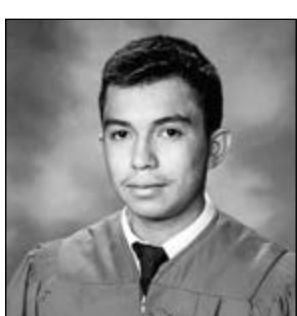
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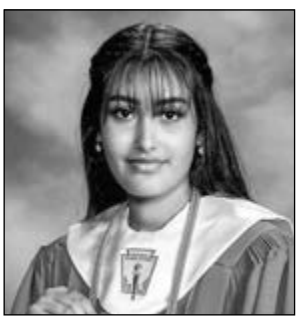
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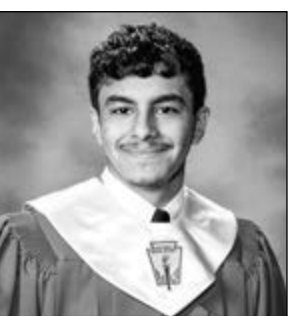
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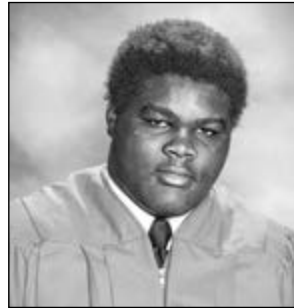
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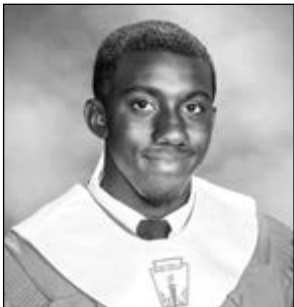
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Daniela Tello-Nino



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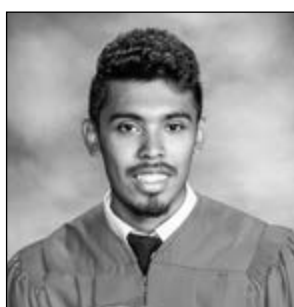
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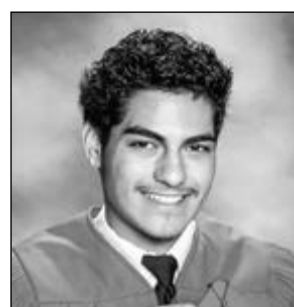
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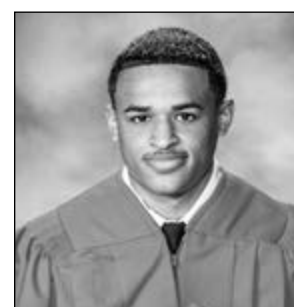
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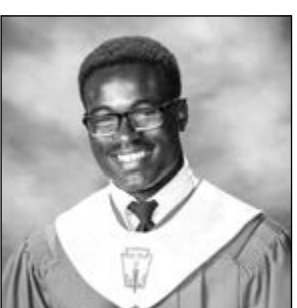
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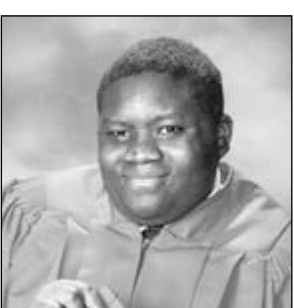
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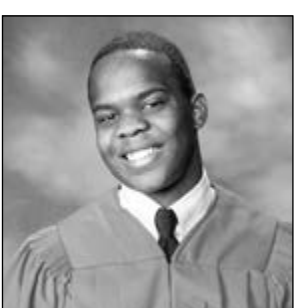
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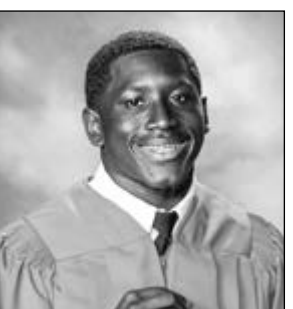
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# Congratulations graduates!



Thank you to Elgin ISD for supplying these photographs of the Class of 2019.

# Academic Recognition Banquet

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Senior Myles Barker and his favorite high school teacher and coach, John Morgan.  
*Photo by Joshua Orr*



The top ten percent of Elgin High School's Class of 2019 were honored at the Academic Awards Recognition Banquet on May 16.  
Superintendent Jodi Duron (right) talks to graduating senior Ashley Kresta (center).  
*Photo by Erin Anderson Photography*



Senior Danielle Gonzalez and her favorite high school counselor, Randall Orris.  
*Photo by Joshua Orr*



Elgin High School principal Ricardo Reyes speaks at the Academic Awards Recognition Banquet.  
*Photo by Erin Anderson Photography*



Superintendent Jodi Duron (right) talks to graduating senior Michael Price (left).  
*Photo by Erin Anderson Photography*



Superintendent Jodi Duron speaks with senior Lizet Benites about her plans after graduation.  
*Photo by Joshua Orr*



Senior Alyssa Ramirez and her favorite high school teacher, Cindy Timms.  
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# Senior Awards Ceremony

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## SENIOR AWARDS CEREMONY

On May 21, graduating seniors from the Class of 2019 were recognized for the awards, honors and scholarships they received.



Students graduating Magna Cum Laude with high academic honors, from left to right: Daniel Jaramillo, Rayla Bell, Lizet Benites, Alyssa Brandt, Kaitlyn Carter, Kaylee Lundgren, Evan Young. Not pictured: Michael Cantrell, Miriam Cardenas, Danielle Gonzalez, Maria Meza Gonzalez, Mitzy Navarrete Apreza, Michael Price, Luis Rivera, Jodie Taylor.



Students graduating Summa Cum Laude with highest academic honors, from left to right: Lizeth Tapia Plancarte, Camari Stiggers, Kaylee Berdoll, Cheyenne Byrer, Janayja Jones, Jessica Kirkpatrick, Jacob Neidig, Kevin Vidales. Not pictured: Myles Barker, Elena Eubanks, Ashley Kresta, Alyssa Ramirez, Seth Stuart, Kevin Vidales, Mitchell White, Anna Young.

Photos by Joshua Orr

## AWARDS AND HONORS



Jacob Neidig and Kaylee Berdoll (center) received the Top Scholar Athlete Award, presented by Jens Anderson (left) and Amanda Wolf-Schramm (right). The Elgin High School Athletic Department proudly provides the Top Scholar Athlete Award every year to a student who excels both on and off the field. Both of this year's Top Scholar Athletes have been involved in athletics and other extra-curricular activities all four years while at EHS. Both are also in the top 10 percent of their graduating class.



Students graduating Cum Laude with honors, left to right: Gracy Crafts, Samanta Cruz Mendoza, Clayton Dube, Atyanna Freeman, Daphne Henze, Estephany Cazares-Pena, Maria Gonzalez, Sean Howerton, Beatriz Mendoza, Rebecca Rivers, Andrenique Roberson. Not pictured: Josue Alfaro, Bricely Ascencio-Reynoso, Chloe Goode, Joaquin Lozano, Mandy Piwonka.



Atyanna Freeman (center) received the Ray A. Kroc Youth Achievement Award, presented by TJ Ferguson and Ana Avalos. Jimmy and Cynthia Ferguson of McDonald's provide the Ray A. Kroc Youth Achievement Award to a senior student who has earned the respect of both their peers and teachers and has excelled in variety of areas. The award was created to honor students who are well rounded in citizenship, leadership, scholarship and sportsmanship. This award comes with a \$400 scholarship.



Jessica Kirkpatrick and Maxwell Fisher (not pictured) received the Mirabeau B. Lamar Award, presented by Brandon Wilson. The Mirabeau B. Lamar award is provided by the Elgin Masonic Lodge every year to two students who excel in both academics and extracurricular activities.

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## MILITARY SERVICE

In honor of their service, students who have enlisted into the military will wear cords during graduation, and they will receive educational benefits comprised of the Post 9/11 GI Bill, Hazelwood Act, and tuition assistance from their respective branch totaling \$250,000 each. These Elgin graduates who will serve in the military will receive a combined total of \$2,750,000 in educational benefits.

- U.S. ARMY**
  - Jean Abenio
  - Maxwell Fisher
  - Evan Young
  - Daniel Zamarripa Lopez
- U.S. NAVY**
  - Audree Hernandez
  - Thomas Placek
  - Cyrus Sellers
- U.S. MARINE CORP**
  - Alexander Day
  - Christopher Owens
  - Luis Reyes Hernandez
- TEXAS ARMY NATIONAL GUARD**
  - Jessica Kirkpatrick

RIGHT: The United States Marine Corps awards students who display traits that the Marine Corps considers essential to being a good leader: endurance, knowledge, unselfishness, dependability, enthusiasm and loyalty. Audree Hernandez and Joaquin Lozano received the Semper Fidelis Award for Musical Excellence (not pictured); Jacob Neidig and Kaylee Berdoll (left) received the Scholastic Excellence Award; and Shanice Ross and Thomas Placek (right) received the Distinguished Athlete Award.

Photos by Joshua Orr



Daniel Jaramillo (center) was awarded the Bastrop County Character Education Scholarship for \$250, presented by Fran Hunter & Nancy Towry.



From left to right: Samantha Carroll, Crysta De La Cruz and Sean Howerton were awarded the Pearls Before Swine Scholarship from the Elgin Arts Association for \$1,500, presented by EHS principal Ricardo Reyes.



Carson Moseley was awarded the Booker T. Washington Elementary PTA Scholarship for \$1,000, presented by EHS principal Ricardo Reyes.



Clayton Dube was awarded the Cougar Moats Memorial Scholarship for \$500, presented by Samantha Moats and Tammi Todd.

## LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Elgin High School sincerely appreciates all community members who have helped make these scholarships and awards possible. Because of their support, students received a grand total of \$70,883 in local scholarships this year.

Additionally, 22 students have received a total of \$690,698 in university scholarships, grants and educational benefits.



Simone Marroquin and Arron Whisenhunt (not pictured) were awarded the Bluebonnet Scholarship of Excellence for Trade and Technical from Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative for \$2,500, presented by Tim Schultz.

*Congratulations!*

**On this festive occasion, we'd like to take a moment to say how proud we are of your achievement. You've worked hard, and now the best is yet to come! Best of luck in your future endeavors!**

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From left to right: Kaylee Berdoll, Beatriz Mendoza Atyanna Freeman and Misty Navarrete Apreza (not pictured) were awarded the Elgin Athletic Booster Club Honorable Mention Scholarship for \$250, presented by Kim Strong.



Jacob Neidig (left) and Daphne Henze (center) were awarded the Elgin Athletic Booster Club Purple Scholarship for \$750, presented by Kim Strong.

Photos by Joshua Orr



Clayton Dube (center) and Zaria Bledsoe (right) were awarded the Elgin Athletic Booster Club White Scholarship for \$500, presented by Kim Strong.



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## Congratulations to our 2019 GRADUATING SENIORS!

We hope your next chapter holds adventure, opportunity and great experiences and we wish you all a very bright future.



ALYSSA BRANDT



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ALEXIS CATHEY



MADDIE DAVIS



DANIELLE GONZALEZ



EMMA LEDESMA



KAYLEE LUNDGREN



JESSICA NAVEJAS

ABOVE: From left to right: Bricely Ascencio-Reynoso (not pictured), Daniel Jaramillo, Leah Anderson, Atyanna Freeman, Simone Marroquin and Alyssa Ramirez (not pictured) were awarded the Elgin Evening Lions Club Scholarship for \$1,666, presented by Gilda Leyva and Esther Bega.



Kaitlyn Carter was awarded the Elgin Athletic Booster Club Trainer Honorable Mention Scholarship for \$200, presented by Kim Strong.



Carson Moseley (center) and Camari Stiggers (right), as well as Audree Hernandez, Joaquin Lozano and Narda Roman (not pictured) were awarded the Elgin Band Boosters Scholarship for \$800, presented by Jessica Bigley and Randy Castillo (left).

### MORE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

- Kaitlyn Carter was awarded the Arbie Johnson Memorial Scholarship by the Elgin Little League Association for \$250.
- Kaylee Berdoll and Daniel Jaramillo were awarded the Area Go Texan Scholarship by the Bastrop County Go Texan Committee for \$500.
- Alyssa Brandt, Cheyenne Byrer and Kaylee Lundgren were awarded the Bastrop County A&M Club Scholarship for \$600.
- Daniel Jaramillo was awarded the Bastrop County Bar Association Scholarship for \$2,000.
- Daniel Jaramillo was awarded the Bastrop County Board of Realtors Scholarship for \$600.
- Kaylee Berdoll and Clayton Dube were awarded the Bastrop County Soil and Water Conservation District Scholarship for \$500.
- Jacob Neidig was awarded the BEST Scholarship from the Greater Texas Federal Credit Union for \$500.

- Cheyenne Byrer, Isaac Davila and Jacob Neidig were awarded the Bluebonnet Scholarship of Excellence for Academics from Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative for \$2,500.
- Kaylee Berdoll was awarded the Capital Farm Credit Scholarship for \$1,000.
- Rafael Flores was awarded the Carment Kiara Youth Organization Scholarship for \$500.
- Elena Eubanks was awarded the Elgin Athletic Booster Club Trainer Scholarship for \$300.
- Alyssa Brandt, Cheyenne Byrer and Daniel Jaramillo were awarded the Elgin Garden Club Scholarship for \$500.
- Tyron McFarlin and Elizabeth Vega were awarded the Gary Snowden Memorial Scholarship for \$300.
- Zaria Bledsoe and Lauren Rydell were awarded the Lowell & Georgia Schorr Family Fund Scholarship for \$1,031.
- Janayja Jones was awarded the Molly Ivins Civic Scholarship from the Bastrop County Democratic Party for \$350.
- Justin Mathis was awarded the Rambo Masonic Lodge No. 426 Scholarship for \$500.

# FFA Awards

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After the current officers pass on their positions and responsibilities to next year's leaders, the past and future chapter officers finish the ceremony with a group hug.



On May 9, the Elgin FFA hosted an awards banquet, recognizing their members for their achievements, thanking their supporters and saying goodbye to their retiring officers.

Current Elgin FFA chapter reporter Kaylee Berdoll recites the FFA creed to start the awards ceremony.

Photos by Julianne Hodges



This year's graduating seniors in the FFA program are: Alyssa Brandt, Kaylee Berdoll, Cheyenne Byrer, Kaitlyn Carter, Bryan Castro, Madison Davis, Pauline Desecures, Max Fisher, Meredith Heine, Ashley Johnsen, Emma Ledesma, Caitlyn Lopez, Kaylee Lundgren, Victor Pierce, Cole Placek, Phoenix Ray, Miranda Roberts, Brett Rudolph, Lauren Rydell, Hunter Tedford, Haley VanBuskirk and Dallas Woods.



Current Elgin FFA chapter president Alyssa Brandt, who is graduating this year, receives her FFA graduation sash.



The current FFA officers thanked their parents for their support on stage; here, president Alyssa Brandt thanks her mother and father.



Current Elgin FFA chapter reporter Kaylee Berdoll, who is graduating this year, receives her FFA graduation sash.



From left to right: Alyssa Brandt, Cheyenne Byrer, Kaylee Berdoll and Caitlyn Lopez all received FFA Alumni/Booster Club scholarships this year. FFA Alumni & Booster Club president Kristi Norton said they usually gives out three scholarships, but they had a hard time choosing between the applicants and decided to grant a scholarship to all four members. Cheyenne Byrer and Kaylee Berdoll also received scholarships through the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo.



Current FFA chapter secretary Cheyenne Byrer was awarded the cattle proficiency award.





Current FFA chapter reporter Kaylee Berdoll was awarded the proficiency awards for goat and lamb, veterinary science and wild-life protection and management.



After passing off her position to her successor, former FFA chapter president Alyssa Brandt removes her FFA jacket.

*A Note of Congratulations*

*May your hard work and education open the door to a world of new opportunities and success!*

*Katelyn Michele Davis*

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# FFA Awards

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Next year's chapter reporter, Lynessa Huerta, hugs outgoing reporter Kaylee Berdoll, a retiring officer who will graduate this spring.



These students are among those who received a Greenhand Degree, meaning they are enrolled in an Ag class and have met certain requirements, such as planning an agricultural project. The students who received a Greenhand Degree this year are: Karen Addauto, Kynadi Blackmore, Allisyn Carter, Wyatt Fisher, Jenna Johnston, Elana Navejas, Tucker Saegert, Isaiah Sauls, Marcellus Valdez, Grady Wenzel, Pauline Desecures, Araceli Bernal, Kelsea Calhoun, Cassady Davis, Haily Girod, Carlos Montalvo, Diana Perez, Nicholas Saucedo, Sage Stewart, Ashley Vanbuskirk and Jackie Zavala.

Photos by Julianne Hodges



Meredith Heine was awarded the Star Lone-star Award, as well as the equine proficiency award.



Victor Pierce (left) and Haley VanBuskirk (right) were given the Blue & Gold Award.



Kristin Burkland, who will be the chapter president next year, thanks outgoing president Alyssa Brandt for her support.



Current FFA chapter president Alyssa Brandt was awarded the proficiency awards for rabbit and diversified horticulture.



The officers recognized Jourdan Tucker (right), their student teacher who is graduating from Texas A&M University this spring. Tucker, surprised, is speechless and very touched by the students' gift.



Kristin Burkland will represent the Elgin FFA in the Star District as president this upcoming year.



Kynadi Blackmore, an incoming officer, was awarded the Star Greenhand Award.



Jerry Hoskins was named Honorary Chapter Farmer, a recognition honoring an adult who has supported the FFA program.



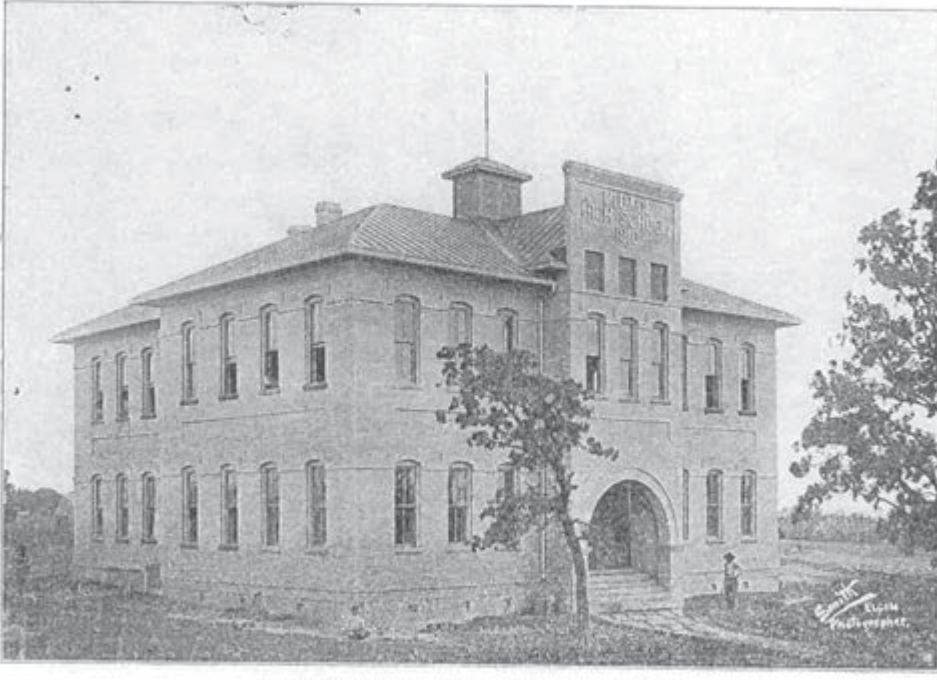
Amber Cork was awarded Star Chapter Award.



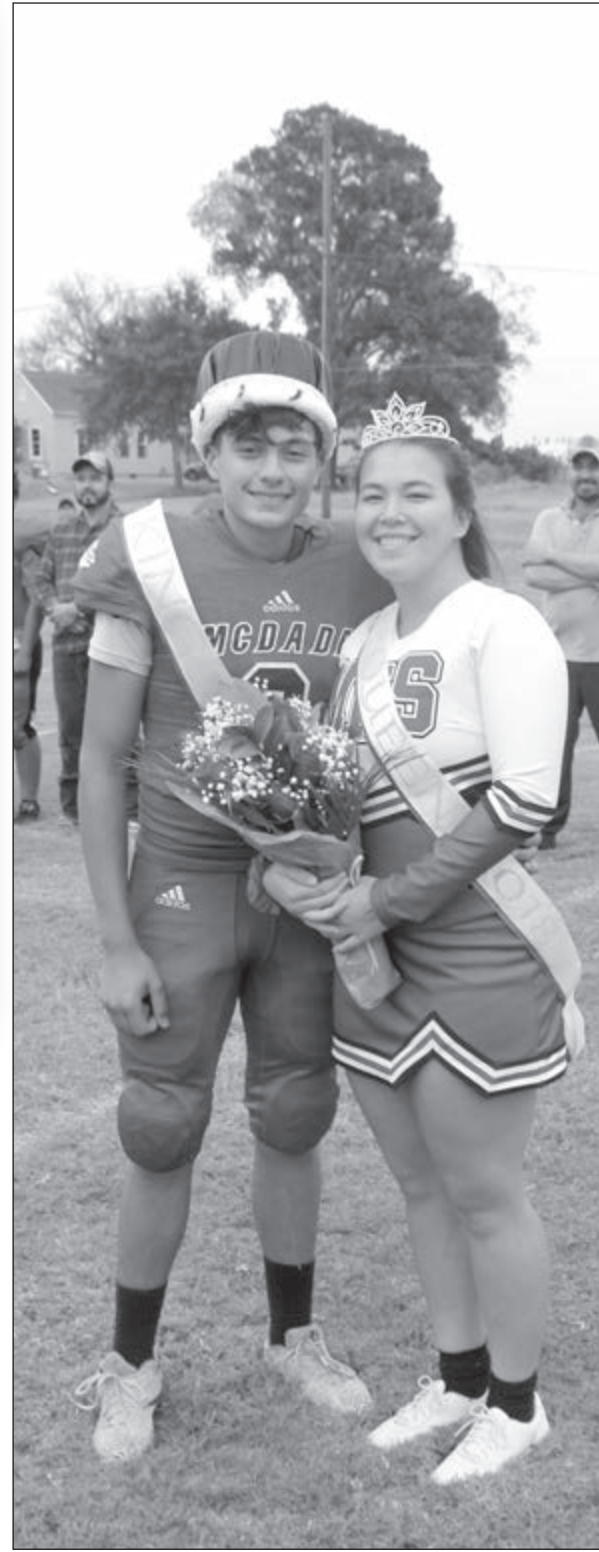
Amber Cork will be competing for an officer position for Area 12.

# McDade Graduating Class

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McDADE HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING



McDade's varsity football team beat New Braunfels Calvary Baptist 46-0 for their homecoming game on October 20. Here, Homecoming Queen Adrienne Whitehead and Homecoming King, Aaron Araujo, both part of McDade's first senior class in decades, smile for a picture before the game.

Courtesy photo

The original McDade High School building was destroyed in a fire in 1941. McDade has not had a graduating class since until this year.

Courtesy photo

## MCDADE HOSTS GRADUATION FOR FIRST TIME IN 79 YEARS

By Joshua Orr

On May 24, McDade ISD will hold a graduation ceremony for its senior class. The Class of 2019 will be the first class to graduate from McDade High School in 79 years.

In the spring of 1940, McDade High School held their last graduation ceremony before a fire destroyed the school in March 1941. The building was insured for \$5,000 worth of damage, but the cost to rebuild it at the time

would have been \$8,000. As a result, it was decided they would not rebuild the high school. Until 2016, when McDade ISD began offering high school courses again, students were transferred to other school districts starting in the ninth grade.

The graduation ceremony for McDade High School will be held in the gym at 156 Marlin Street starting at 7 p.m. There will be seven students graduating at the ceremony, which gives the class a 100 percent graduation rate.

McDade ISD Superintendent Barbara Marchbanks has said, "We are extremely proud of our kids and are excited for their future!"

The seven students graduating are Aaron Araujo, Jessica Franks, Omar Oliva Cruz, Meredith Gonzalez-Delgado, Victor Hernandez, Adrienne Whitehead and Jayson Littleton. Omar Oliva Cruz is the valedictorian, and Aaron Araujo is the salutatorian. Congratulations to these students, and best of luck in their future endeavors.

## MCDADE SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

### OMAR OLIVA-CRUZ (VALEDICTORIAN)

- \$48,000 in tuition awards at Texas State University
- \$10,000 in TXST scholarships
- \$250 McDade ISD Employees Scholarship Fund
- \$1,000 First National Bank
- \$500 McDade Parent Teacher Incorporated (PTI)
- \$500 McDade Watermelon Festival

- \$40,000 internship at Shah Smith and Associates
- \$250 McDade ISD Employees Scholarship Fund
- \$750 First National Bank
- \$500 McDade Parent Teacher Incorporated (PTI)

- County - Martin Luther King, Jr. Writing Scholarship
- \$250 McDade ISD Employees Scholarship Fund
- \$500 McDade Parent Teacher Incorporated (PTI)

- \$500 McDade Watermelon Festival

### JAYSON LITTLETON

- \$1500 McDade Watermelon Festival
- \$250 McDade ISD Employees Scholarship Fund

### MEREDITH GONZALEZ DELGADO

- \$250 McDade ISD Employees Scholarship Fund

### VICTOR HERNANDEZ

- \$250 McDade ISD Employees Scholarship Fund

### ADRIENNE WHITEHEAD

- \$1,500 Jarrod Thomas Banks Memorial Scholarship
- \$500 McDade Future Farmers of America Boosters
- \$750 Bastrop

### JESSICA FRANKS

- \$1000 Grissom Family Scholarship Fund
- \$250 McDade ISD Employees Scholarship Fund
- \$500 McDade Parent Teacher Incorporated (PTI)



McDade ISD faculty and students kicked off the 2018-2019 school year with a celebration on August 23, looking forward to the school's first class of graduating seniors since 1940. The McDade Bulldog cheerleaders, pictured here, performed for the audience. Back row, left to right: mascot Alyssa Johnson, Yesenia Palacios, Nicole Hernandez, Arianna Villanueva, Audreyanna Hernandez, Adrienne Whitehead. Front: Alexis Hernandez.

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*Aaron Araujo      Jessica Franks*

## McDade HS

### 2018-2019

*Meredith Gonzalez-Delgado      Victor Hernandez*

*Jayson Littleton      Omar Oliva Cruz      Adrienne Whitehead*

# HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS RECEIVE ASSOCIATE DEGREES

Students graduating with Austin Community College transferable hours, Core 42 or an associate degree through Early College High School were also recognized during the Senior Awards Ceremony on May 21.

**CORE 42:**

- Ashley Kresta

**ASSOCIATE OF ARTS:**

- Josue Alfaro
- Bricely Ascencio-Reynoso
- Rayla Bell
- Michael Cantrell
- Elena Eubanks
- Atyanna Freeman
- Froilan Gaspar
- Danielle Gonzalez
- Chloe Goode
- Daniel Jaramillo
- Janayja Jones
- Jessica Kirkpatrick
- Mitzy Navarrete
- Apreza
- Mandy Piwonka
- Michael Price
- Alyssa Ramirez
- Andrenique Roberson
- Narda Roman
- Camari Stiggers
- Seth Stuart
- Lizeth Tapia
- Plancarte
- Anna Young
- Evan Young



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*Photo by Joshua Orr*



ACC officials and Elgin ISD administrators honor the Elgin High School students who graduated with college degrees and credits during the 2019 ACC President's Reception.

*Photos courtesy of Austin Community College*

# ELGIN SENIORS AMONG RECORD NUMBER GRADUATING WITH COLLEGE DEGREES, CREDIT

**By Joshua Orr**

On Tuesday, May 14, Austin Community College (ACC) honored a record number of high school seniors graduating with college credentials in the area during its annual President's Reception.

Elgin High School also had a record number of Early College High School (ECHS) graduates this year; these students earned college credit up to an associate degree through ACC.

"ACC's dual credit and Early College High School programs give students, particularly those underrepresented in higher education, an accelerated path to college," said Sydney Pruitt from

ACC's Office of Communications and Marketing. "ECHS students bring an exciting energy to the ACC campuses."

This semester alone, 22 students from Elgin High School in the ECHS program graduated earned an associate degree from ACC. Three Elgin High School dual-credit students were honored with a purple cord for earning between 12 and 59 college credit hours from ACC.

"I come from an impoverished background," said Elgin senior and ECHS student Alyssa Ramirez in a press release from ACC. "I enrolled at ACC to get a head start and have the best opportunity to get into college."



Elgin High School's Early College High School graduates were honored at the 2019 ACC President's Reception.



Clayton Dube poses for a photo in front of the #ACCFirst arch.

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