



COLLEGE SIGNING DAY

CSD 2026

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Brackenridge, Burke, Carver, Mays, Najim, South Flores

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College Signing Day is a celebration recognizing our scholars' achievements as they proudly reveal the college or university they will attend this fall. Additionally, this event marks an important accomplishment for IDEA students, many of whom will be the first in their families to attend college. These students have beaten many odds, and their decision to attend and finish college marks a significant change in the trajectory of their lives.

From tearful speeches to the roar of the crowd, no event represents every family's hopes and dreams more than College Signing Day. Though each senior is embarking on their own journey to and through college, the lessons and memories they have gained during their time with IDEA will remain with them for a lifetime.

PROGRAM

- Welcome
- Alumni Speech
- Campus College Reveals
- Scholarship Presentations
- Inspirational Message
- Senior Thank You Speeches
- Contract Signing and Celebration



LETTER FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Team & Family:

Welcome to my favorite IDEA event of the year—College Signing Day (CSD)!

College Signing Day is an IDEA tradition unlike any other. It began as IDEA's promise to parents: "Your child will go to college." Across the Rio Grande Valley, San Antonio, the Austin metro area, El Paso and Tarrant County, CSD is an opportunity for our seniors to announce a meaningful commitment and for our schools and communities to celebrate everything that led up to this joyful and pivotal moment.

So, if you want to feel inspired, you're in the right place.

If you want to feel hopeful about the future of our community, our country, and our world, stick around.

If you came to cheer on your own student today, don't be surprised if you're screaming for one you have never met.

Across IDEA's schools, the **3,390 members of the Class of 2026** have achieved over **15,523 acceptances** to colleges and universities across the country. Today we learn where everyone is headed.

While this moment is a culmination of sorts, it also represents a new start for the students who have worked so hard to get here. So many opportunities, adventures, experiences, and challenges lie ahead.

For now, this is a day for celebration. For every senior who declares their college choice on this stage, let's also celebrate and be grateful for the teachers, counselors, principals, parents, siblings, grandparents, mentors, employers, neighbors, friends, and everyone else who has supported these students.

Class of 2026: Congratulations! You're going to college.

Equipo y Familia:

Bienvenidos a mi evento favorito de IDEA del año: ¡College Signing Day (CSD)!

College Signing Day es una tradición de IDEA como ninguna otra. Comenzó como una promesa de IDEA a los padres: "Su hijo irá a la universidad". Hoy, en todo el Valle del Río Grande, San Antonio, el área metropolitana de Austin El Paso y Tarrant County, CSD es una oportunidad para que nuestros alumnos de último grado anuncien un compromiso significativo y para que nuestras escuelas y comunidades celebren todo lo que condujo a este momento alegre y crucial.

Así que, si quieres sentirte inspirado, estás en el lugar correcto.

Si quieres sentirte esperanzado sobre el futuro de nuestra comunidad, nuestro país y nuestro mundo, quédate con nosotros.

Si el día de hoy, estás aquí para apoyar a tu propio estudiante, no te sorprendas si estás gritando por uno que jamás habías conocido.

En todos los campus de IDEA, los **3,390 miembros de la Clase de 2026** han logrado más de **15,523 aceptaciones** en colegios y universidades de todo el país. Hoy aprendemos hacia dónde se dirige cada uno.

Si bien este momento es una especie de culminación, también representa un nuevo comienzo para los estudiantes que han trabajado tan duro para llegar aquí. Tantas oportunidades, aventuras, experiencias y desafíos por delante.

Por ahora, este es un día de celebración. Para cada estudiante de último año que declara su elección de universidad en este escenario, también celebremos y agradezcamos a los maestros, consejeros, directores, padres, hermanos, abuelos, mentores, empleadores, vecinos, amigos y todos los demás que han apoyado a estos estudiantes.

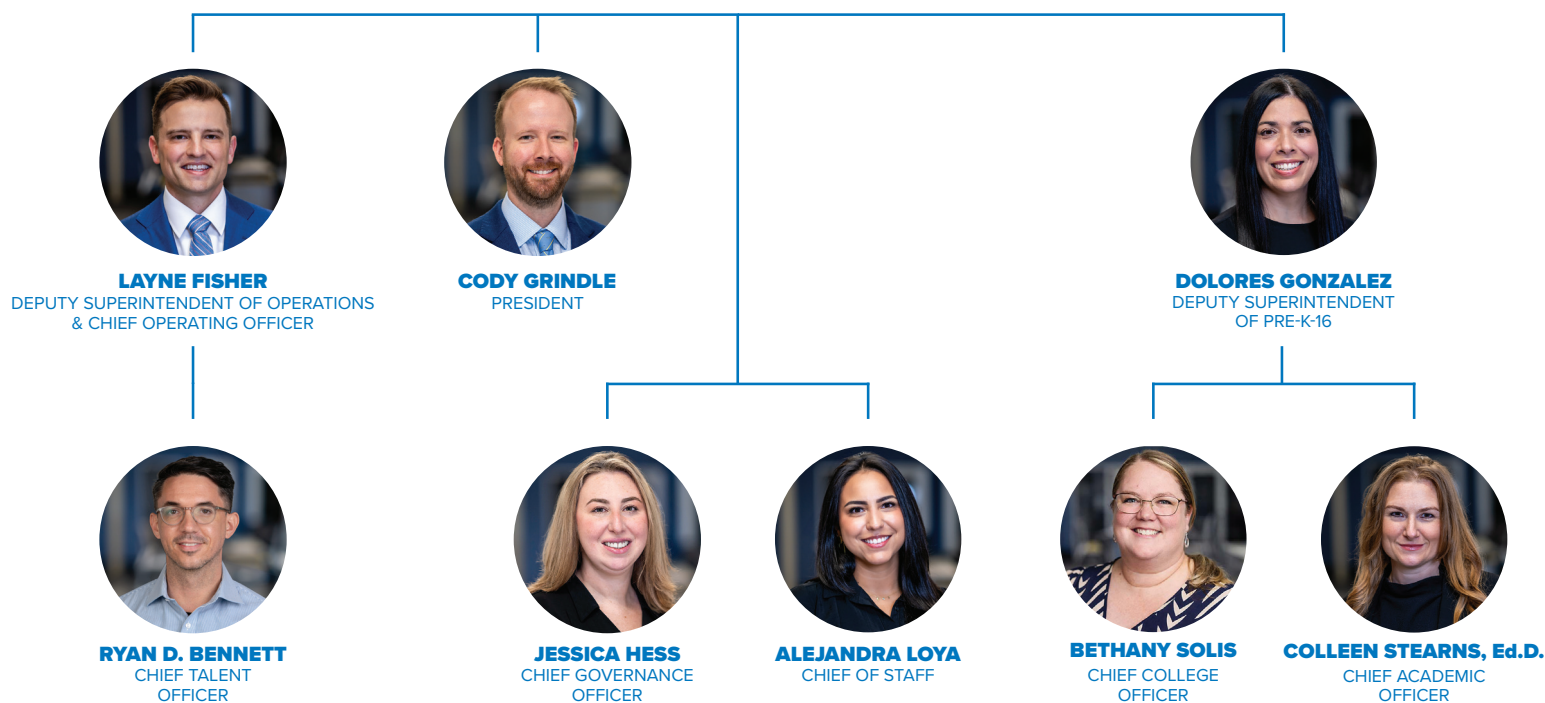
Clase 2026: ¡Felicidades! Vas a ir a la universidad.

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CONGRATULATIONS **IDEA** BRACKENRIDGE!

Dear Class of 2026 and Families,

It is with immense pride and a full heart that I write to you as we prepare to celebrate one of the most meaningful milestones in our scholars' journeys, College Signing Day.

To the Class of 2026: This moment belongs to you. Each acceptance letter, commitment, and dream realized represents years of hard work, perseverance, and growth. You have shown resilience through challenges, courage in stepping into the unknown, and determination in pursuing your goals. Your paths may look different, but the dedication it took to get here is something you all share—and it deserves to be celebrated.

To our families: Thank you for being the foundation behind every success. Your encouragement, sacrifices, late nights, and unwavering belief in your scholars have made this moment possible. College Signing Day is not only a celebration of where your students are headed, but also of the love and support that carried them there.

As a school community, we are incredibly proud to witness this chapter unfold. College Signing Day is a reminder of what is possible when scholars are surrounded by high expectations, strong support systems, and a belief that their futures are bright and limitless.

We look forward to celebrating together—honoring accomplishments, applauding commitment, and cheering on the next steps for the Class of 2026. No matter where your journey takes you next, know that you will always be part of this school family, and we will continue to root for your success.

Congratulations, Class of 2026. Your future is waiting, and we cannot wait to see all that you will achieve.

With pride and gratitude,

Vanessa Cruz
Principal, IDEA Brackenridge College Preparatory

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Angelina Alva
David Avalos Armendariz
Eriksson Baquedano Ortiz
Guenivere Bazan
Alejandro Bentacourt
Ariel Bentacourt
Joselyn Botello
Christopher Boteo Garcia
Syncere Boyd
Andrea Canales
Ivan Cegueda
Diego Chavez
Craig Cortez
Allison Cruz Barron
Yonsi Cruz Flores
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Andrew Estrada
Emilio Fernandez
Montserrat Figueroa
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Maserati Garcia
Alexander Geisel
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Joshua Muñoz
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CONGRATULATIONS **IDEA** BURKE!

To our incredible first graduating class of IDEA Burke College Prep,

Yes, today you make history.

You walked these halls when traditions were still being built and expectations were still being defined. You chose courage over comfort and set the standard for every class that will follow. Because of you, IDEA Burke has a legacy.

You proved that college is not just a dream, it is the plan. Every late night, tough exam, and hard conversation, you showed resilience, unity, and pride. You didn't just meet the bar; you raised it.

As you step into this next chapter, carry the grit, heart, and excellence that define you. You will forever be our trailblazers, the class that started it all.

We are proud beyond words.

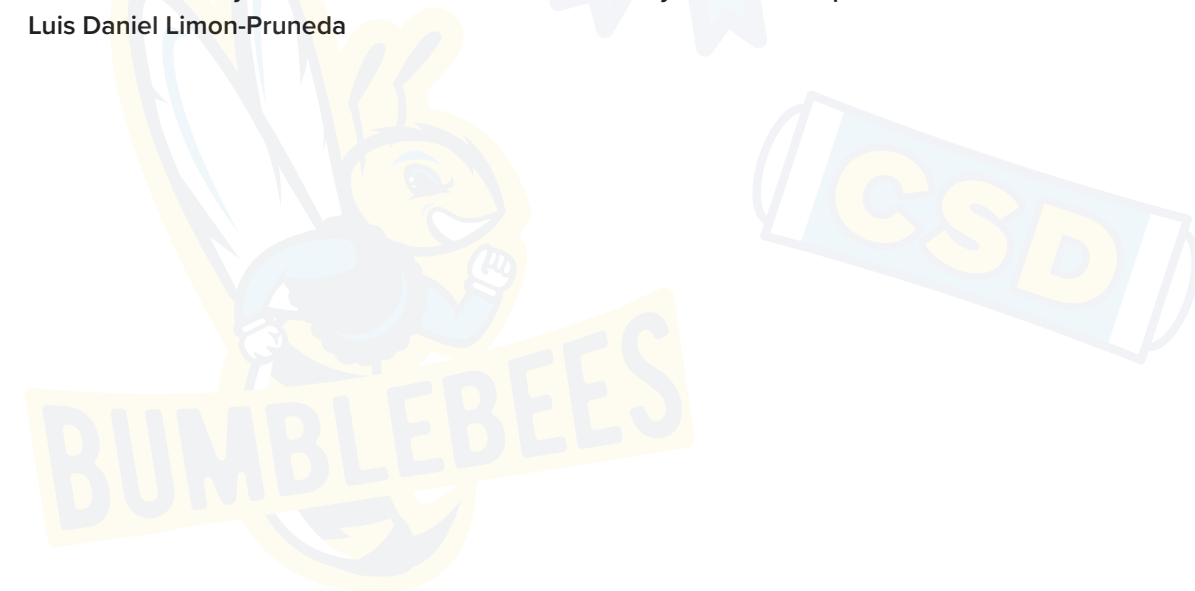
With deep admiration,

Aldo Garza
Principal, IDEA Burke College Preparatory

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Joshua Abishai Arechiga
Jenna Nichole Argais
Anthony Ivan Avalos
Marlene Shakira Barbosa
Kie'Erah Jemil Barker
Diego Cortinas Blaz
Sincere Ezex Byron
Michael James Cantu
Samihya Briann Carman-Mincey
Jayleen Casas
Larissa Nathaly Castillon Medina
Nathan Saenz Castro
Aribella Cervantes
Rosamaria Cerda
Jacinto Ceferino Chavez-Garcia
Aleyda Marie Cortez
Lauren Madelynn Cruz
Keon Isaiah Cunningham
Kiana Alfreda Cunningham
Makayla Jolie Deleon
Jourden James England
David Joel Fernandez
Jolie Nicole Gallegos
Daniel Garcia Rodriguez
Arik Caesar Garcia
Betty Jean Garcia
Serena Elizabeth Garza
Kehinde Husaen Green
Taiwo Hassan Green
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Sydni Michelle Hayes
Gavin James Henderson
Jayden James Henry
Diane Giselle Hernandez Rodriguez
Garcia Barrington Johnson
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Luis Daniel Limon-Pruneda

Baylee Brooke Lindgren
Berlando Lopez
Melanie Lopez
Sylvia Rae Lowry
Warren Endray Lund
Jayden Deangelo Mangulabnan
Layla Alma Martinez
Ethan Michael Medellin
Emma Menchaca
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Hedayathullah Masood
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Alejandro Valdovinos
Mariah Lyzette Villarreal
Joshua David Washington
Sariah Marie Washington
Klayden Isaiah Zapata





CONGRATULATIONS IDEA CARVER!

Esteemed Carver College Preparatory graduates, families, friends, and faculty,

Today, we gather to celebrate not just the completion of the school year, but the culmination of a journey. To the Class of 2026: this moment belongs to you!

Each of you arrived here with different talents, different dreams, and different challenges. Some of you excelled in the arts, like band. Some of you pushed boundaries in science and technology, such as your Forensic Science course. Others led with courage and conviction, on the field or court during sports season.

But what makes this class extraordinary is not any single achievement. It is your collective character.

As you step beyond Carver CP, remember this: your education does not end today. A diploma is not a finish line; it is a launch point. Continue to ask difficult questions. Continue to listen deeply. Continue to build bridges where others see barriers.

You will encounter setbacks. That is inevitable. But setbacks are not failures, they are lessons in disguise. The difference between those who merely dream and those who achieve is not luck. It is persistence.

And wherever your path leads, remember that you will always have a home here. You are, and always will be, part of the Carver Cougar Legacy!

Congratulations, graduates. The future is yours—go boldly and shape it with wisdom, integrity, and heart.

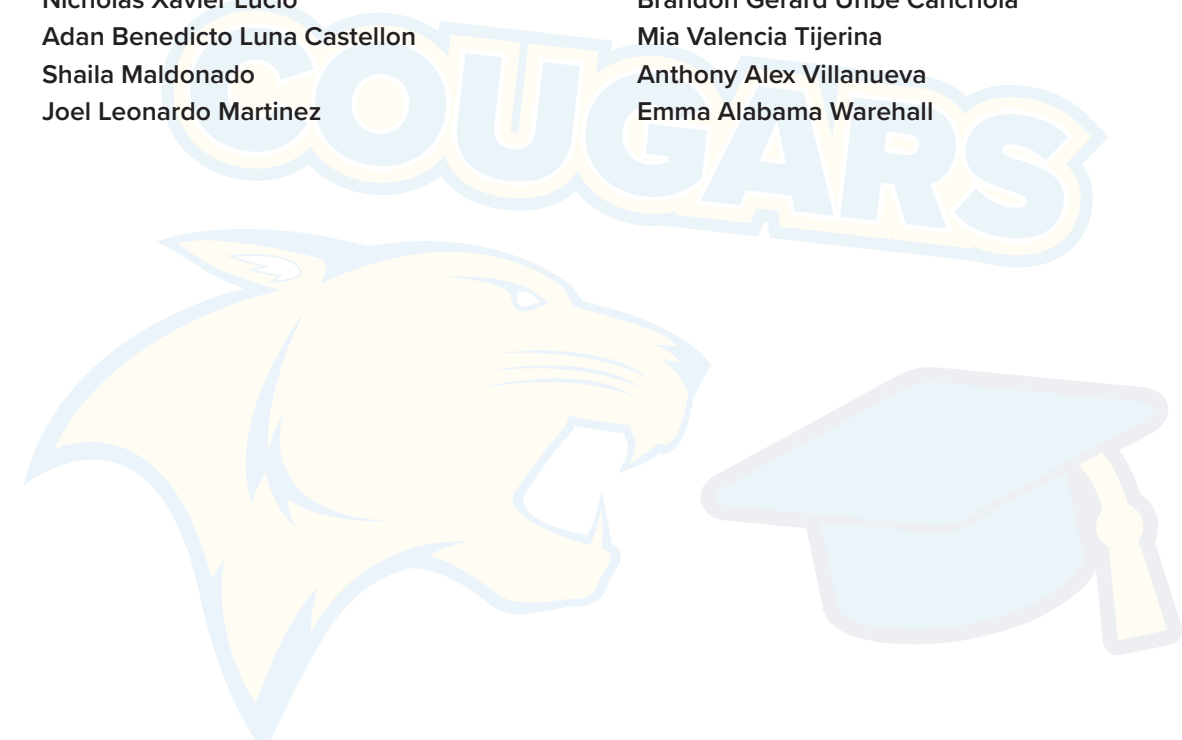
For the Scholars We Serve,

Norma Mendoza
Principal, IDEA Carver College Preparatory

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Jasmine Marie Alcantara
Abran Yeyko Almanza
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Juan Giovanni Perez
Jayden Michael Polite
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Nathan Rafael Ramirez
Natalie Renee Ramon
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Roen Ramos
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Mikaela Alyse Sandoval
Jean Carlos Sarabia Pereira
Amariana La'Shay Sheppard
Elijah John Sivak
Sir'Wayne Michael Smith
Joel Alexander Torres
Maria Angelica Treviño
Matthew Trujillo
Brandon Gerard Uribe Canchola
Mia Valencia Tijerina
Anthony Alex Villanueva
Emma Alabama Warehall





CONGRATULATIONS IDEA MAYS!

Class of 2026 Mustangs,

Today marks a truly special milestone in your journey. College Decision Day is more than just an announcement; it's a celebration of your hard work, your resilience, and the excitement of what lies ahead. Each of you has spent years preparing for this moment, and now you stand on the edge of your next great adventure.

As you share your decisions with your families, your peers, and our Mays community, I encourage you to lead with excitement and confidence. The determination, curiosity, and perseverance that brought you to this day will continue to guide you forward. Trust in that. It has already taken you far, and it will carry you even further. So celebrate this moment. Share your joy. And stampede into your future. We cannot wait to hear where you will be heading this fall.

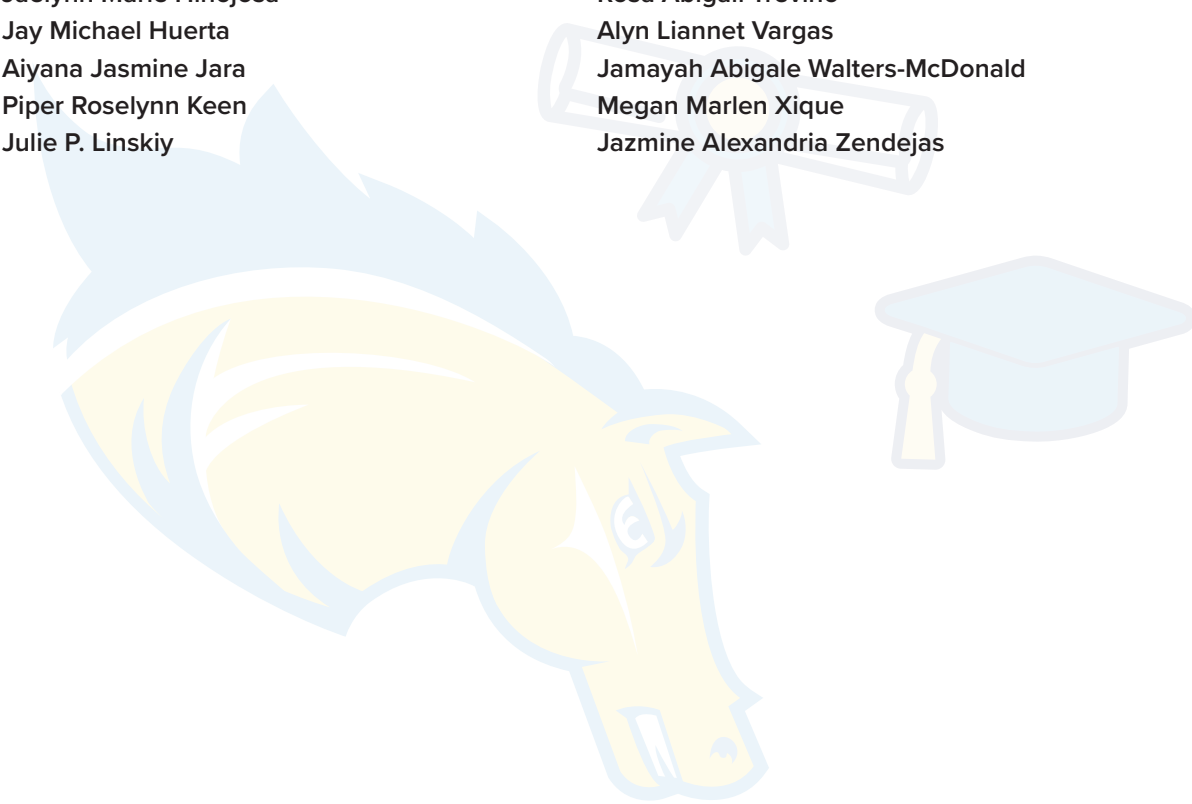
Mauricio Frausto

Director of College Counseling, IDEA Mays College Preparatory

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James Henry Shappie
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Christan Joseph Silva
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Charles King Simmons-Mckenzie
Lara Azumi Santos Smith
Astrid Autumn Marie Sotelo
Devon Riley Tirona
Rosa Abigail Treviño
Alyn Liannet Vargas
Jamayah Abigale Walters-McDonald
Megan Marlen Xique
Jazmine Alexandria Zendejas





CONGRATULATIONS **IDEA** HARVEY E. NAJIM!

Future Leaders,

Today is more than a ceremony. It's a declaration that dreams require courage, that goals demand discipline. Surely, the young men and women seated before me have chosen to step boldly into their future.

Today is not just about where you're going; it's about who you've become. Every acceptance letter represents resilience, discipline, sacrifice, and growth. Whether you're headed to a 4-year university, community college, or military, your path is powerful because it's yours.

Success is not defined by a campus name, but by the work ethic and character you carry with you. Channel your dreams with discipline. Align your habits with your goals. Protect your focus. Surround yourself with people who stretch you to be better, not shrink you and limit your potential.

You are NAJIM STARS and STARS shine even in darkness. They guide others. They burn with purpose. When challenges come, remember who you are and refuse to dim your light.

As you step forward, remember NAJIM:

- N** - Never settle for less than your best.
- A** - Aspire boldly and act with courage.
- J** - Journey with integrity.
- I** - Invest in your growth daily.
- M** - Make your mark with purpose.

Class of 2026: Your future is waiting, go claim it!

In service and gratitude,

Dr. Sherrell Coleman

Principal, IDEA Harvey E. Najim College Preparatory

CLASSES OF 2026

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Irene Giselle Briseno
Maya Davette Chavez
Rosa Maria Cortes
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Hailey Ja'Nell Culley
Nevaeh Tres Dotson
Nyla Royalene Ellis
Rene Zeo Flores
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Brisa Isabella Villarreal
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Angel Gabriel Ramos





CONGRATULATIONS **IDEA** SOUTH FLORES!

To the Class of 2026,

This is your moment.

As you stand on the stage, reveal your scroll, and announce to the world where you will be graduating from college, make sure to pause and take it all in. Think about all the challenges you overcame and the perseverance that brought you here. Think about all the people who supported you every step of the way. And think about how powerful it feels to declare this next step to the world.

Today is not just about where you're going. It's about who you've become. You have grown into inquirers, thinkers, and risk-takers. You have become leaders who will work to create a better and more peaceful world. You have left your mark at IDEA South Flores, setting a new bar for what's possible for our community, and we are better because of you.

So today, enjoy this moment, and let that scroll be a symbol of how far you've come and how far you're about to go.

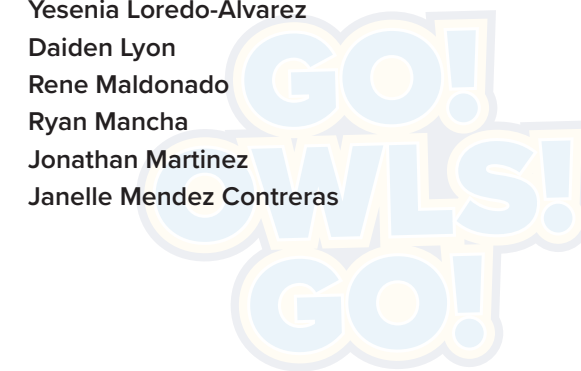
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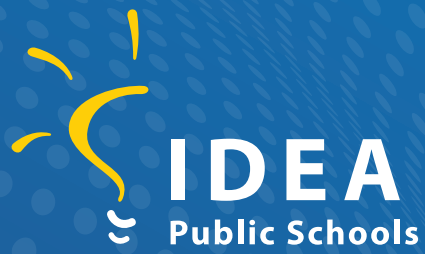
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Nadia Barbosa
Galilea Barron
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Emilie Cadena
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Bryan Hernandez
Serenity Herrera
Annarosa Holly
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Lucas Leongtave
Zoey Lopez
Yesenia Loredo-Alvarez
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