

Houston County High School

Commencement Exercises



Class of 2023

May 26, 2023

Four O'Clock in the Afternoon

REAVES ARENA

GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIRGROUNDS & AGRICENTER

Commencement

Processional.....	Pomp and Circumstance.....	Sir Edward Elgar
Welcome.....	Dr. Douglas Rizer, Principal	
*National Anthem	HCHS Senior Chorus	
*Pledge.....	Hannah Koppel, Salutatorian	
Greetings.....	Hannah Koppel, Salutatorian	
Farewell to the Class of 2023.....	Seojin Choi, Valedictorian	
Presentation of Diplomas.....	Houston County Board of Education Dr. Mark Scott, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Douglas Rizer, Principal	
Closing.....	Cheryl Nguyen, Senior Class President	
*Alma Mater.....	Jaedyn Charleston and Kayla West HCHS Senior Chorus Presidents	
Recessional.....	Pomp and Circumstance.....	Sir Edward Elgar

** Audience Will Please Stand*

Please remain seated during the procession of graduates.

*The audience is requested to withhold applause
until all diplomas have been presented.*

Honor Graduates – Gold Honor Stole; National Honor Society – Light Blue Stole; Beta Club – Gold Tassel
Recognition Cords: Houston County Advanced Placement Award with Distinction – Green; Houston County Advanced Placement Award – White; French Honor Society – Blue/White/Red; Latin Honor Society – Royal Purple/Gold; National Technical Honor Society – Purple/Silver; Spanish Honor Society – Red/Gold; National Music Honors Society – Pink; Skills USA – Red/White; End of Pathway Assessment – Silver/White; Governors Honor Program – Blue/Black/Silver; Houston County Gifted Program – Orange/White; Thespians – Blue/Gold; National Forensic League – Silver/Ruby; Student Council - Blue/Gold; Fine Arts Pathway – Black/White/Peach; Golden Eagle – Navy/Gold; ROTC Pathway – Navy/White; FIRST Robotics Alliance – Red/White/Blue; Youth Leadership – Red/Blue; Yearbook/Journalism – Cyan/Black/Red/Yellow

Alma Mater

*Hail to thee, our Alma mater,
Thee we give our praise;
Houston County we shall honor
Ever through our days*

Chorus:

*Black and Silver, faithful, loyal,
Pride shall never fail;
Here's to thee, our Alma Mater
Houston High, all Hail!*



Houston County High School

Established, 1991

National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence, 1996

21st Century Schools of Distinction Best of the Best, 2004

2017 SSAS Award for Growth and Performance

2018-2019 Governor's Office of Student Achievement Platinum Award for Greatest Gains

2019 Solution Tree Nationally Recognized PLC Model School

Dr. Douglas Rizer, Principal

Assistant Principals

Jason Brett, Karma Hayes, Jay Jones, Melanie Moore, and Trinity Rawlins

Class of 2023 Counselors

Curt Clements, Jennifer Dykes, Donna Green, Melissa Jones, and Lori Sarazine

Dr. Mark Scott, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Richard Rogers, Deputy Superintendent

Dr. Christopher Brown, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources and District Operations

Dr. Zabrina Cannady, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services

Dr. Lazunia Frierson, Assistant Superintendent of District and School Effectiveness

Dr. Elgin Mayfield, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning

Dr. Cheryl Thomas, Assistant Superintendent of School Operations

Dr. Walter Stephens, Executive Director of School Operations

Houston County Board of Education Members

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Dr. Rick Unruh, Vice Chair

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HONOR GRADUATES

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Luciano Martin Da Fieno

Vansh Bharatkumar Patel

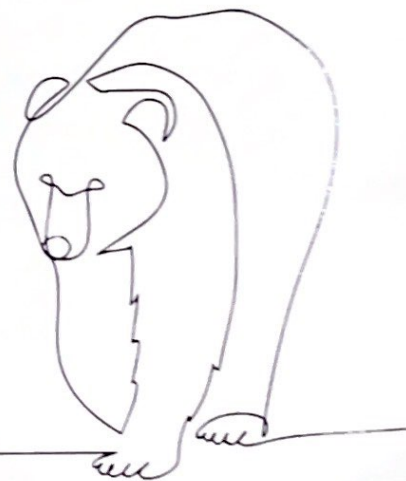
Logan Hugh Adams	Kennedy Janae Capers	Ahilynn Shamyia Grayson	Mohammad Adam Kanana
Emily Marie Alford	Rachael Olivia Carman	Kendyl Michelle Greene	NaKayla Meshell Jeanise Kennedy
Nevaeh La'shae Anderson	Joshua Robert Carty	Allison Jane Griggs	Collin Joseph Key
Whitley Denise Anderson	Natasha Ria Chand	Johnathan Leon Groves	Andrew Ryan King
Makayla Danielle Archibald	Jaedyn Akira Charleston	Saketh Raju Gudla	Delaney Elizabeth King
William Samuel Arnold	Stephanie Marie Cogan	Madison Yvonne Leilani Hailey	Justin Rashad King
Benjamin Thomas Arthur	Ryan Alexander Connelly	John David Hall	Erin Elizabeth Kirk
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Saif Asim Aslam	Brayden Michael Coulter	James Payton Hamilton	Caitlyn Autumn Klepper
Jaden Ahmir Atwater	Aleasia Danielle Crane	Abdulrahman Abdullah Hamoud	Aidan James Kliethermes
Jonah Samuel Austin	Emma Lillian Davis	Brycen Micah Harrell	Madison Riley Kolmetz
Mariam Ba	Jonah Anderson Davis	Tristin Nicole Harrell	Brooke Marie Langevin
Braden Michael Ballard	Lauren Ryan Desilets	Aniyah Lorraine Harris	Haley Cherie Layton
Kloe Sha Barker	Caitlyn Carin Deuber	Georgia Grace Hayes	Ethan Chung Le
Matthew Phillip Batastini	Shourya Chirag Dhruv	Harlee Kathryn Hendrix	Khanh Leonardo Tuan Le
Roberto Beaublanc	Adja Mame-Mary Dieye	Andalyn Madison-Rose Hester	Ngoc-Hieu Thi Le
Emmanuel Moises Bello	Maggie Elaine Duke	Corinne Elise Hester	Theouno Keito Lee
Hayley Elisabeth Berryhill	Andrew Zbydnowski Dunford	David Blake Higgs	Kandis Jalice Lester
Wyatt Benjamin Berryhill	Jaden Travis Dunn	Alexandria Reese Hill	Gabriel George Llantada
Sebastian Alejandro Blanco	Alexis Ann Ellis	Landon Horace Hill	Matteo Joseph Lopez
Harlee Cooper Blasche	Carter Manning Evans	Nicole Nyja-Tene Hill	Eugenio Lopez Rivera
Samaji Oromani Blue	Tyler Bryce Farrow	Ryan Tyrese Hodge	Mackenzie Grace Loughridge
Cooper John Bogard	Ja'Keyvia Katelyn Felder	Jordan Alexander Hodges	Jordan Chantell Magwood
Colin Matthew Bostick	Jailey Marie Ferrer Negron	Kiera Marie Hogue	Imari Malik Martin
Hannah Veronica Breyer	Kennedy Merrell Fluellen	Samuel Merritt Hollifield	Kayleigh Marie Martin
London Ray Broussard	Zamya Mone't Fluellen	Carson Michael Holt	Autumn Marie Mathe
Sien Nhomy Bui	Mary Clare Folse	Justice Nicole Ivey	Jessica Victoria Matos
Andrew Wade Burress	Aiden Lucas Freeman	Leah Zoë Jackson	Tamaya NaTacha Mayweather
Ethan Isaiah Butler-Paige	Isabel Roan Furlough	Shekiria Ja'Nae Jackson	Chloe Elif McClellan
Aubrey Grace Byrd	Joshua David Gates	Veronica Rose Jacobsen	Haylee Lynn McGowen
Kaitlyn Nicole Byrd	Sydney Paige Gilbert	Alan Alberto Jaenz	Eliyafatema Shahid Momin
Fabiola Calderón Parrilla	Daizhana Zyaire Glenn	Rachel McKenzie Jones	Joshua Alexander Monk
Alyssa Jade Cantrell	Alana Janae Goodman	Tyrone Keith Jones, III	Christianna Louise Moore

HONOR GRADUATES

Yoselin Rocio Morales	Lincoln Tillman Reyna	Kendall Alexis Smith	Makenzie Carter Wadley
Lillian Renee Morgan	Alissa Rae Rhodes	Aleigha Brooke Soles	Takia Denise Wall
Madison Day Mules	Landon Bryce Richardson	Karli Elise Stallworth	Taylor Marie Wamsley
Jihu Mun	Amanda Catherine Ringe	Sara Suzanne Starcher	Jaylen Renaldo Ware
Nyla Marie Mundy	Jacob Jeremiah Rivera	Olivia Addison Stegner	Emma Kate Warren
Cairyn Tanya Machai Murray	Drew Daniel Roberts	Calab Saxby Stewart	Aaron Russell Watson
Cheryl Yen-Nhi Nguyen	Sonia Rodriguez	Michael Ryan Stewart, Jr.	Tanner Jacob Welch
Tyler Thien Anh Nguyen	Katie Louise Rounds	Morgan Amelia Stewart	Kayla Brooke West
Trinity Hermione Nguyen-Lieu	Braxton Kraig Rowland	Madison Paige Stone	Caleb Ryan Williams
Glory EseOghene Okparume	Christian Joseph Roy	Maggie Grace Strickland	Janae Aniya Williams
Nathan Thian-Seng Ong	Calum Allen Runge	Brenna Ambree Sumner	Willow Margaret Williams
Matthew Vincent Padua	Gabriela Lynn Sarceno	Christopher Lee Sutcliff	Jorden Jalen Williams-Herrod
Cody Loel Pass	Natalie Rubi Saura-Gutierrez	Samantha Leigh Sutcliff	Kysa London Wise Smith
Krish Prakash Patel	Rani Ravi Shekarappa	Deby Permata Sutjipto	David Vernonlee Wood
Mansi Jignesh Patel	Cooper Hill Short	Ransom Atekwane Tah	Brandon Alexander Woods
Om Prakash Patel	Brianna Michelle Simmons	Bravynn Le'Nise Taleb	Makayla Janay Wright
Siya Alkesh Patel	Kenadie Alyce Singleton	Audrey Renee Taylor	Zachary Cinque Wynns
Tanvi Mahendra Patel	Mason Garrett Siniard	Emily Andrea Tenorio Zelada	Dwight William Yandle
Vidhee Rakeshkumar Patel	Henry Christman Slane IV	Elizabeth Paige Thomas	Jordan Lanier Yarbrough
Brandon Xavier Peeples	Alexandria Ashleigh Smith	Kristopher Sancheas Thomas	Zoey Mae Zawada
Madison Marie Perez	Andrea Aanyah Smith	Corbin Todd Toenjes	Kevin Zheng
Sarah Grace Pierce	Angelica Jordan Smith	Kamden James Troupe	Madilynn Elizabeth Zoumberis
William Douglas Rankine	Camryn Alyssa Smith	Gabriel Alejandro Velasquez	
Caleb Edward Rapelje	Charity Elise Smith	Brayson Michael Von Oven	
Julia-Kamille Redmond	Jasmine Ann-Marie Smith		



Expect Excellence



GRADUATES

Maisah Samarri Abdul-Khaliq	Christian Denard Bunkley, Jr.	Aaron Christopher Fisher	Kylen Latrell House
Nailah Samarra Abdul-Khaliq	Jordan Kyle Burnett	Tyler LaBrans Floyd	Brandon Trey Amerson Huff
Isaiah Reginald Adams	Jeremiah D'Corrian Butler	Sumiah Elizabeth Frazier	Amber Lee Iglinsky
Tristan Etienne Aguayo	Madison Montana Calloway	Alexandra Charrise Gaiter	Jace Anthony Ingle
Isaiah Mafleh Ajeel	Quincy Johnta Campbell, Jr.	Reina Isabel Garcia	Jalecia Monshea Jackson
Asiana Zi'Kera Anderson	Anthony Joseph Carrion	Jordan Emanuel Gibson	Lentia Chanay James
Joshua Nathaniel Anderson	Aleczaider Heberto Castillo	Charles Edward Gillespie, III	Riley Tindal Jenkins
Madison Valentina Anderson	Maurice Baron Caton IV	Tramell Jyuan Givens	Kendall Ashton Johnson
Ahmad Gerard Andrews, Jr.	Valeria Michelle Chacon Ruiz	Nathaniel Nehemiah Glasgow	Thomas Gilbert Johnson, III
Jasmine Rae Andrews	Isaiah Michael Charles	Brianna Victoria Gonsales	Konner Merritt Jones
David Angel-Ramirez	Jada Janae Charles	Yaretsi Jhovana Gonzalez Garcia	Nicholas Deon Jordan, Jr.
Emma Grace Arseneault	Ryker Layton Chavis	Hayden Brian Goolsby	Matthew Leyvan Kelley
Layne Elizabeth Asbell	Hunter Cole Chiappetta	Ashley Ann Grant	Jamarcus Tyrese Kendrick
Payton Gayle Atkins	Megan Rae Christian	Keilani Cierra Greene	Kyla Chol Kim
Giovanni Saul Avila-Rivera	Peyton Nolan Colabine	Anthony Ottis Grizzle	Maryann Thanh Lai
Kailey Grace Barnes	Jeremiah Lael Coleman	Leslie Diana Guardado	Riley Patrick Lange
Timberland Samarshe' Battle	Mar'quez D'Marian Coleman	Cayden Denny Hamilton	Zara Ix Chel Lash
John Bellamy IV	Jeffrey Contreras	Payton David Hammett	Jacob W.L. Latimer
Austin Tyler Bennett	Kaden Alan Cook	Zachary Kevin Hanson	Ngoc Nhu Le
Corey Leroy Bentley II	Damien Orion Cordova	De'Nyla Jenae Harlan	Teirra Alexandra Lee
Aiden Anthony Boarts	Ryan Tyler Cornman	Ka'mari Lamarce Harris	Christopher Leon-Vega
Riley Jordan-Michelle Bogue	Noah Spencer Craig	Louie Raymond Judilla Harris	Kevin Charles Lewis III
Aaliyah Kiyasha Bouyer	Dakota Mary Louise Curphey	Tyren Daron Harris	Emily Grace Long
Tyler Bradley Boyd	Phillip Dang	Ciara Jade Hart	Francisco Rafael Lopez
Lane Eli Brady	Jack Whitaker Davis	Elizabeth Aaron Hartley	Domanick Lance Mabry
Kayla Brianna Bragg	Corey Anthony Melvin DeBerry	Aden Lee Hatcher	George Edward Maddox, Jr.
Raymond Wesley Brewster II	Jacob Edward DeJournett	Zackery Douglas Hedges	Eason Arthur Martin
Shavaughn Sheldon Brooks	Jessamine Viola Dickerson	Jaidyn Antwain Henderson	Damian Alemana Martinez
Arthur Lee Brown, IV	Anh Vu Quang Doan	John Lloyd Hendry, III	Jaehlin Amare' Matthews
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GRADUATES

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Madison Sierra Morrow	Lester Keniel Rivera Suarez	Darien Gisel Silva Torres	Colin Louis White
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