

# *Houston County High School*

## *Commencement Exercises*



Class of 2026

May 22nd, 2026

Half past 8 O'clock in the Morning

**REAVES ARENA**

GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIRGROUNDS AND AGRICENTER

# Commencement

Processional.....	Pomp and Circumstance.....	Sir Edward Elgar
*National Anthem .....		HCHS Senior Chorus
*Pledge.....		Hibiki Fujinaga, Senior Class Vice-President
Welcome.....		Dr. Jay Jones, Principal
Greetings.....		Nishant Kunwar, Salutatorian
Farewell to the Class of 2026.....		Michael Do, Valedictorian
Presentation of Diplomas.....		Houston County Board of Education Dr. Richard Rogers, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Jay Jones, Principal
Closing.....		Michelle Jones, Senior Class President
*Alma Mater.....		A'Mari Saunders Matthew Voskuil
*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

# Honor Graduates

Michael Do – Valedictorian

Nishant Bikram Kunmar – Salutatorian

Ayah Abdul-Malik  
Maximus Jackson Abernathy  
Christopher James Addison  
Santiago Abel Aguilar  
Mazz Mustafa Ahmed-Atoum  
Iman Yaseen Alhaj-Yaseen  
Colin-Phillip Trey Sean Anderson  
Gavin Lane Appelt  
Angela Flor Avalos Gonzalez  
Naomi Joselyn Avila  
Jayden Alexander Ayuso-Raine  
Hana Blue Bailey  
Kingston Zion Bailey  
Ellie Rae Barber  
Ioane Ruca Barnes  
Michael Edward Barnes  
Aidyn Mariah Bass  
Brody Warren Belknap  
Skylar Joann Benko  
Ashlyn Nicole Bernstein  
William Blake Blocker  
Kyra Denise Bonifacio  
Je'deria Journie Rain Bostic  
Jaxon Asher Bowling  
Aubrey Gayle Bradley  
Andrew Calvin Bragg  
Natalie Paige Brantley  
Landon Phillip Braxton  
Adele Munroe Broach  
Lainie Grace Broussard  
Brycen Alexander Brown  
Ethan Bradley Brown  
Noah Alexander Butler  
Aniya Renee Bynum  
Haddon James Byrd  
Raymond Patrick Byrd  
Adalynn Reese Carr  
Daquan Nathan Carswell  
Kendall D'Anna Randi Carswell  
Atom Ashutosh Chahande  
Hyunjin Choi  
Joseph JaeHyung Chung  
Lauren Claire Clark  
Rebecca Grace Clark

Jacob Kyle Coker  
Julie Elizabeth Cole  
Alaina Nicole Coley  
Jennifer Chanel Coleman  
Kavon Jaylon Robert Conciauro  
Ashton Blaine Conner  
Tamia Nicole Cook  
Dominic Anthony Correa-Apollon  
Katherine Cardoso Coyne  
Cailsey Corinzia Crawford  
Anthony James Cuti  
Joi Elisabeth Dale  
Adam Fathi Damiri  
Tyler Monroe Davidson  
Myles Andrew Davis  
Jonas Francisco Del Rosario  
Jiana Pashako Dema  
Ajiri Oghenemaro Dibe  
Aiyannah Hamako Douglas  
Kelsey Marie Drummond  
Kyndall Layne Dubois  
Sarah Soo-Young Dunford  
Javien Markese Durham  
Ethan Erazo  
Isabela Andre'a Escanilla  
Chase Christopher Falk  
Christov Eric Feliciano  
Eian Flowers  
Madeline Sofia Folse  
Bailee Lain Fountain  
Christian Jakob Frazee  
Hibiki Fujinaga  
Isaiah Casimir Galason  
Cruz Lowery Garcia  
Elizabeth Brentley Godman  
Emily Hope Godwin  
Catherine Elise Grady  
Cal Daily Green  
Ronald Boyd Greer  
Zian Nicole Grubb  
Samy Mohammed Hacena  
Joleena Gungon Hady  
Anderson Davis Hall  
Aiden Karev Ham

Camden Michael Hamann  
Subin Han  
Afia Hasan  
Jameson Stephan Hawkins  
Aiden Shane Hayes  
Savannah Lynn Henderson  
Beni Josue Hernandez Flores  
Autumn Grace Hill  
Noah Hoang  
Noah Tyleek Holst  
Kaitlyn Riley Horn  
Kevin Derrell Houser  
Nathaniel Curtis Hoyt  
Colby James Hudson  
Ke'Lin Rashaad Jackson  
Taiyler Alexsys Jamison  
Rachel Anne Janik  
Claire Elise Jefferson  
Natalia Marie Jenkins  
Benjamin Mark Jewett  
Daniel Jo  
Dawhyn Maria Johnson  
Zachary Keith Johnson  
Michelle Jillian Jones  
Alston Bishop Jordan  
Jase Christopher Jordan  
Reny Melissa Kan  
Ethan Loire Kenney  
Ziad Zafar Khan  
Jada Teresa Kidd  
Jacob Elijah King  
Christian Avery Kitchens  
Reagan Lynn Landers  
Isabelle Grace Lashley  
Elton Law  
DeAnna Renae Lawless  
Katie Trinh Le  
Tony Pham Le  
Jordyn Marie Lewis  
Ruben Lopez  
Michael Ryan Lyons  
Collin Carl Mabee  
Jackson Taylor Maine  
Jonathan Thomas Martinez

## Honor Graduates

Isabella Monica Martinez-Garcia  
Ava Rose Mason  
Jordin Alana Maxwell  
DaKavion Isaiah Maynard  
Hunter Scott McDaniel  
Raul Julian Mejia  
Jonathan Nevo Menaker  
Alivia Nevaeh Mickens  
Carson Richard Misencik  
Lauren Mackenzie Mitchell  
Grace Elaine Moody  
Aaliyah Nevaeh Mullins  
Autum Nicole Nelson  
Kaleb Kim Bang Ngo  
Bryan Luu Hung Nguyen  
Callie Ngo Nguyen  
Knox Hayden Nicholls  
Addyson Maye Nolan  
Noah James Odom  
Taylor Lee Odom  
Racquel Breunna Ogburn  
Joy Ayebatonye Okparume  
Kaden Allen O'Neal  
Braylon Samuel Orr  
Preston Jennings Owen  
Meera Bharat Panchal  
Caroline Lily Papczynski  
Aarya Parthiban  
Avan S Patel  
Avani S Patel  
Disha Harshad Patel  
Pancham Rajeshbhai Patel  
Prapti Patel  
Vraj Manishkumar Patel  
Yash Sunil Patel

Daniel Jerell Patterson  
Peyton Anslee Peaster  
Johan Emilio Pereira  
Nathan Thien Phan  
Jada Reese Pittman  
Maisy Ann Postle  
Aniyah Nevaeh Preston  
Samantha Betty Price  
Madalynn Marie Pritchett  
Caden Robert Raphael  
Vaidehi Hardik Raste  
William Blaine Reese  
Cora Richelle Flora Rhodes  
Moriah Danielle Richardson  
Colton Levi Robinson  
Juan Pablo Rodriguez Perez  
Jayden Christopher Ross  
Parker Kathryn Roth  
Ximena Paola Ruiz Landeros  
Laura Frances Ryan  
Makaliah Shianne Saeger  
Kaila Miata Sampsell  
Charlie Dawn Sanders  
Caroline Grace Scott  
Marcus Tarrell Scott  
Emma Kate Shealy  
Walter Charles Simerly  
Sneha Singh  
Grant Ryan Sirmons  
Taylor Rose Sirmons  
Asia Marie Smith  
Chloe Alexandria Smith  
Roman Garrett Smith  
Madison Elaine Steiger  
Jacori Kentrell Stephens

Brandon Jamal Stokes  
Connor Patrick Sullivan  
Emma Ree Summerlin  
James Theodore Swain  
Tarjok Mohamed Tarjok  
Kenenza Maia Tham  
Samantha Leann Thompkins  
Ayanna Marie Toenjes  
Collin Anthony Toenjes  
Hieu Dinh Tran  
Kevin Phan Tran  
Peyton Van Tucker  
Tyrionna Ke'Nya Underwood  
Hannah Leigh Van Buskirk  
Katharine Alexis Vance  
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William Lukas Walker  
Tyra Michelle Wallin  
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Leilah Konstanz Wells-Newsome  
Brian Shanell West  
Logan Joe West  
Ashlynn Renee' Whipple  
Ruth Janelle Whittington  
Ja'mya Nicole Williams  
Kameryn Grace Wills  
Elise Sylvia Wilson  
Zamirah Denise Wilson  
Zariah Cianna Wynns  
Yeonghub Yoon  
Benjamin Owen Youngblood  
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*Class of 2026*



## Graduates

Emilio Abarca Ocampo  
Samarah Ainsley Adair  
Mia Rae Adams  
Derrick Clark Aldrich  
Morgan Anastacia Allen  
Kiya Marie Alligood  
Areon Chamoil Anderson Jr  
Marian Elise Anderson  
Keavia Tynija Jynia Archie  
Westen Chase Ard  
Zihonely Arevalo-Landa  
Raky Coumba Ba  
Jayden James Baker  
Carson Aaron Barker  
Kayden Kallel Barrett  
Tajah Synia Battle  
Tyler Thomas Bemke  
Tryniti Nicole Blackburn  
Judah Christopher Cruz Bland  
Ellie Grace Blevins  
Hailey Erika Bocan  
Madison Brianne Bodrey  
Kendall Darius Brannam  
Shontonia Rodregious Bridges Jr.  
Benjamin Casey Brill  
Andrew Joel Brown  
Barry Shawn Brown Jr.  
De'Asia Lamaria Saniya Brown  
Ja'Kambry Tyrell Brown  
Tyrese Andrew Bubb  
Spenser Isaiah Buckner  
Zanijayh Yvette Desteny Buford  
Kayla Alexis Burkes  
Theodore Alden Burris  
Ethan Riley Butler  
Akeylah Miliani Carson  
Logan James Casillas  
Uriel Isai Castillo  
Adrian Castro  
Jacob Michael Chadwick  
Cody Aaron Cheatham  
Jack Vincent Cherney  
Aniyah Camille Childers  
Daniel Edwards Childs Jr.  
Kylie Grace Cole  
Kyndal Anaya Colvin  
Kaden Mekhi Coney

Jadyn Elkanah Conyers  
Jayla Leigh Cormier  
Chance Cody James Crawford  
Wesley Aaron Crawford  
Elijah Isaiah Crawford-Jones  
Aubrey Anna Cross  
Sariyah Renee Cumby  
Carsten Alexander Curry  
Cristina Marie Cuti  
LaBrian Augustus Dalrymple  
Adrian Damasco Hernandez  
Zion Zarquez-Marshaun Daniels  
Addison Lee Davidson  
Mikaela Elaine Delph  
Braylon A'Darius Dennard  
Matthew Adonis Denson  
Angel Marie Doe  
Alexandre' Renardo Dryden  
Jules Abigail Dykes  
Jonah Reese Eggert  
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Ja'nya Nevaeh Ellis  
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Cameron Omari Gantt  
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Emmi Renee Gaskins  
Lilly Louise Gaudet  
Donald Glenn Gauthier  
Kiarash Ghani Tafreshi  
Jewel Elizabeth Gibson  
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Emilio Gonzalez

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Tucker Bennett Guest  
Makayla Janae Hammonds  
Daniella Marie Hampton  
Jordan Brian Hanson  
Aundraa Nichele Harris  
Kayla Rene' Hart  
Sabri Demarion Hawkins  
Serenity Ataleigha Victoria Heichelbech  
Noah Adam Hemmerly  
Diana Nicole Henderson  
Gianni Hernandez  
Nathaniel Joseph Herrera  
D'andre Rashad Hickey  
Leah Rylee Hill  
Paige Reese Hill  
Sophie Alice Hopko  
Gibson Marshall Hopwood  
Heaven Kimora Franicia Hoskins  
Alexzander Michael Hunt  
Benjamin Maxwell Hunt  
Domonique Catherine Mary Jackson  
Joshua Keyonne Jackson  
Shontae Symone Jenkins  
Blake Kenneth Johnson  
Eris Danyale Johnson  
Megan Grace Johnson  
Sullivan Robert Johnson  
Jaylan Amari Jones  
Noah Elliott Jordan  
Ziaya Lashawn Jordan  
Christian LaParker Kellogg  
Sameena Iqbal Khan  
Piercen Alan Heald Killebrew  
Ca'Mauria Jamiah King  
Isaac Brandon Koppel  
Tabitha Sophia Koppel  
Rylynn Teal Lattimore  
Cameron Jackson Layfield  
Nhu Hong Le  
Marterrious Dontray Leary  
Aiden Issiah Lefever  
Conor Matthew Lenahan  
Cyla Ahmari Lindsey  
Sharya Monae' Lundy  
Maria Venera Lungu

## Graduates

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Dakota Cheyenne Marable  
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Daren Labsan Respicio Jr.  
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Winter Elizabeth Rhoades  
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Danae' Brookelynn Riley

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Ruben Rodriguez Jr.  
Juan Andres Rodriguez Delgado  
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Jazmine Danique Rogers  
Kamari Deon Rose  
Michael Jalen Ruff  
Ayden Gael Ruiz  
Alyssa Kyla Gabriel Rumph  
Logan Chase Ryales  
Mark Cole Saenz  
Shane Decarlos Sallette  
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Keenan Avery Sanders  
Vianey Aulani Santiago Reyes  
A'mari Felicia-Lynn Saunders  
Khaliq Tavares Jamar Schoultz  
Jaden Christian Screen  
Ariel Kaliyah Shade  
Kennadie Layne Shell  
Samantha Holly Ann Shugar  
Angelo Darnell Simmons  
Brandt Jason Singleton  
Adicyn Estelle Smith  
Elena Sofia Smith  
Jordan Isaiah Dwayne Smit  
Kylee Marie Smith  
Malakai Xavier Smith  
Nathan Joshua Smith  
Tyson Ja'kobe Smith  
Za'Nyiah Renee Monique Smith  
Zyla Laylonie Smith  
Victoria Viola Spaventa  
Isabella Rebecca Spillers  
Nichapat Srithanomwong  
Marshall David Stone  
Michaela Marie Strickland  
Joedan Nehemiah La'Ethan Strong  
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**BEAR  
DOWN**



*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*

*21<sup>st</sup> 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*

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*Jared Allen, Jason Brett, Shayna Brown, Trinity Rawlins, and Greer Wright*

***Class of 2026 Counselors***

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Dr. Christopher Brown, Deputy Superintendent

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Dr. Elgin Mayfield, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning

Dr. Walter Stephens, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources and District Operations

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