

An update from the Public Relations Office • May 2019

Another academic year has come to a close. Here's the latest on awards, honors and events as we head into summer.

1. Bachelor of Applied Technology approved by state coordinating board staff – pending full approval by SACSCOC

- Collin's request to create the Bachelor of Applied Technology in Cybersecurity received
 Coordinating Board staff and Assistant Commissioner of Academic Quality
 and Workforce approval in May. The action taken will be reported to the full board at
 the Co-Board's July 25, 2019 meeting.
- Introduction of the degree is still pending approval from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) which meets in June.
- Degree will include **120 semester credit hours**; 78 industry specific, 42 general education
- Program will be based on the Frisco Campus, at the IT Center for Excellence
- The goal is to introduce the program in the **Fall of 2021**

2. Technical Campus wins Dallas Business Journal real estate award

- Honored April 9 as Best Real Estate Deal of 2018 in the education category
- Recognized for its architectural design, including career concentration areas and exterior spaces
- Other projects nominated were from UT Dallas, Tarleton State University-Fort Worth
- Allen EDC, Allen ISD also noted for their roles in the campus' development
- More info on the Technical Campus:
 http://www.collin.edu/news/newsfiles/201809TechnicalCampusInfoSheet.pdf

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3. HVAC program honored as 'Program of Excellence'

- Recognized for partnerships, positive economic impact, outstanding outcomes, best workforce practices
- Awards presented by the Texas Association of College Technical Educators (TACTE)
- HVAC program partners with Princeton ISD, local industry for dual credit, general training
- College currently offers A.A.S.; will introduce stackable certificate series this fall
- More info: https://www.collin.edu/academics/programs/HVAC_10verview.html

4. Collin SGA wins statewide honor

- Collin Student Government Association (SGA) recognized at state convention in April
- Earned Event of the Year for "Love Does Not Hurt: An Oath Against Domestic Violence"
- Event took place on Plano Campus
- Collaboration of the SGA, Muslim Student Association, and the Office of Student Engagement
- More on the SGA: http://www.collin.edu/studentresources/sga/

5. Two Collin hoopsters named All-American by NJCAA

- **Tajzmel Sherman**, **Destiny Thurman** named to second team in men's, women's basketball, respectively
- Sherman was fourth in the nation in scoring at 25.9 ppg; is headed to West Virginia University (NCAA Div. I) on a full scholarship
- Thurman scored 16.1 ppg for the Lady Cougars
- Official website of Cougar Athletics: http://athletics.collin.edu/landing/index

6. Student photography featured in June at THE ARTS gallery

- "Gestalt: Photography Portfolio Class Exhibition" will exhibit June 6-July 10
- Featuring students from the photography portfolio class of Professor Elizabeth Mellott
- Reception with faculty and students: Thursday, June 6, from 4-7 p.m. at the gallery
- THE ARTS gallery is open until 8 p.m. Mon-Thu, 3 p.m. Fri-Sat. Closed Sundays.
- Located in **Room A175** on the Plano Campus
- More information: <u>www.collin.edu/theartsgallery/</u>

COLLIN BY THE NUMBERS

Spring 2019 Degrees & Certificates

More than **450 students** participated in commencement exercises May 17. Here are the estimated number of awards given out this spring:

Associate of Arts: 594

Associate of Applied Sciences: 291

Associate of Arts in Teaching: 51

Associate of Science: 389

Total Associate Degrees: 1325

Total Certificates: 392

