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Dr. Jon Whitmore, president of Texas Tech, and Dr. Cary Israel, president of Collin, joined alumni from both institutions, students and administrators at a recent signing ceremony at Collin’s Spring Creek Campus.

Through this agreement, students can finish their first two years at Collin and work with a Texas Tech advisor to ensure a seamless transfer of course credits. If the student meets transferable hours and grade point average requirements, the student is guaranteed admission to Texas Tech.

In addition, Texas Tech will make application and scholarship information available to participating students. Red Raider Bound students will be able to attend the earliest orientation sessions and participate in the earliest registration period each April for summer or fall classes.

“One of the key issues facing students and parents in higher education today is affordability,” Dr. Israel said. “How long it takes to graduate affects the cost of a college education. We believe it is very important to obtain an undergraduate degree in four years rather than the national average of 5.2 years. Accordingly, this unique partnership will help reduce time to a degree. We welcome Texas Tech University as our newest educational partner.”

In order to increase the number of Texas students completing bachelor’s degrees and to help meet state goals, Texas Tech, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center and Collin also have agreed to participate in the Pathway Partnership, which encourages both partners to share information about enrollment, admissions policies, recruitment events and scholarship opportunities.



Collin County Community College District (Collin) officials welcome Texas Tech University as the sixth university partner to join the admissions agreement program. Seated in the front row: (from left) Chairman Sam Roach, Collin Board of Trustees, President Jon Whitmore, Texas Tech University and President Cary Israel, Collin. Back row: (from left) Collin Board of Trustees Dr. Bob Collins, Tino Trujillo, Brenda Willard Goodell, Mac Hendricks, Cindy Bauge, Dr. David Hammel and Stacy Arias. (Photo Nick Young/Collin photographer).

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"Texas Tech University is proud to partner with Collin County Community College, and we look forward to welcoming Collin students to our campus," Dr. Whitmore said.

Texas Tech will have a representative on Collin campuses each fall and spring semester. Texas Tech also will sponsor a visitation program for Collin students interested in transferring to Texas Tech. In addition, the university will develop a plan to offer Collin students "retroactive associate's degrees." This allows a student who transfers from Collin to Texas Tech without earning an associate's degree to be granted that degree after he or she completes the required coursework at the university.

"A college education is a must in today's society," said Sam Roach, a Collin trustee and former board chairman. Roach and the college presidents were instrumental in forging the agreement. "We believe in keeping higher education convenient and accessible for all residents of Collin County. Our goal is to help students finish their degrees on time and within a reasonable cost through a comprehensive Collin education. We look forward to collaborating with Texas Tech University."

Collin broke ground in 2000 when it signed its first university partnership agreement. The college now holds admission partnerships with six universities – The University of Texas at Dallas, Southern Methodist University, Texas Woman's University, the University of North Texas, Texas A&M University – Commerce and, the newest partner, Texas Tech University. To date, more than 400 students have participated in the special program through Collin. For more information, call Transfer Programs at 972.985.3734.

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In an ideal world, one place would hold the answers to all college readiness questions. Workshops would address financial concerns, college admission requirements and application instructions. This convenient venue would provide advisors and offer testing as well as refresher courses to prepare any student for collegiate success. Get ready, because the ideal world is heading your way very soon in the form of Collin County Community College District's (Collin) Destination College©.



Destination College© is a new initiative at Collin that will provide the community convenient access to information and educational opportunities for improved college readiness. It will host numerous workshops and seminars preparing parents and future college students for higher education. Destination College© also will offer tutoring services, lunch-and-learn opportunities, discounted SAT/ACT reviews with reputable providers, as well as refresher math, reading and writing courses.

The national need for college readiness is overwhelming. An article on the ACT website states that "based on 2005 ACT-tested high school graduates, it appears that only about half of our nation's ACT-tested high school students are ready for college-level reading," and "student readiness for college-level reading is at its lowest point in more than a decade." According to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, in Texas alone more than 40 percent of all new students were under-prepared for college. Texas State Senator Florence Shapiro stated, "We no longer live in a world where a high school education is enough. The modern world and the future of Texas require that students graduate high school with the tools necessary to succeed in, not just enter, college or technical careers. Destination College© will help respond to this trend, by providing a collaborative endeavor for college readiness."

With the vision and support of Collin Trustees Sam Roach, Cindy Bauge and Stacy Arias, the college established a regional consortium consisting of several independent school districts in the region including Allen, Anna, Celina, Frisco, Lewisville, Lovejoy, Plano, McKinney, Melissa, Richardson and Rockwall. These North Texas leaders in education are tackling the issue of college readiness and closing the achievement gap. The team is working proactively to meet the community's current educational concerns and issues likely to emerge in the future. To accomplish this task, the consortium is developing a strategic integrated plan that incorporates best practices, reduces administrative costs and ultimately delivers improved student outcomes.

Senator Shapiro shares the Destination College© vision for a seamless transition from high school to college and supports the collaborative efforts taken by the regional consortium to achieve this goal. "Texas has an accomplished record of

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educational reform in the elementary grades, as our elementary students outperform most other states in the nation and have demonstrated unprecedented improvements and academic gains," she said. Similarly, Destination College© can ensure that Texas also outperforms other states in college readiness.

According to Brenda Kihl, Collin associate dean of strategic initiatives, learning more about the educational system can help improve college readiness.

"During our consortium discussions, it became evident that high school and college educators must have a reciprocal understanding of curricular objectives, assessment standards and academic expectations to prepare students for college success." Kihl continued, "In addition, the consortium will work collaboratively to communicate the importance of college readiness to students and parents."

A member of the Destination College© consortium, Frisco ISD Superintendent of Schools Rick Reedy believes that Destination College© will provide support that will make a difference for all students, especially first generation college-bound students.

"I am always excited about any venture that will help ensure the successful transition of students from high school to college and that will also increase the likelihood of the successful completion of college. We look forward to working collaboratively with the staff at Collin to help understand all of our educational needs and expectations and to create programs that will better prepare our students for higher learning and for the future," Reedy said.

At Collin, officials understand that each step toward college admissions including the application process, securing financial aid or scholarships and meeting assessment requirements, may present new obstacles for students. It is important to find the right college and to have the resources and skills to be able to attend that higher educational institution.

According to Collin President Cary Israel, the total cost of earning a college degree increases each year.

"Students who come to college financially, academically and intellectually prepared for higher education will have an advantage; they will be able to successfully complete a degree in a shorter time," President Israel said.

At Collin, our staff and professors are parents, educators and lifelong learners and recognize that twenty-first century students are busy and need solutions now. That's why Collin is proud to offer Destination College©— a one-stop college readiness venue. For more information about Destination College©, contact Brenda Kihl at bkihl@ccccd.edu or 972.758.3804.

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Collin is seeking nominations for its fourth annual Living Legends Tribute, underwritten by [Baylor Regional Medical Center at Plano](#). Nomination forms for this special distinction may be obtained [online](#). Nominations are due to the CCCCD Foundation Office by Sept. 6.

The 2006 Living Legends will be announced in September and will be honored at a special tribute ceremony on Nov. 11 at the college. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Living Legends Endowment Fund, which supports student scholarships and academic success.

Selection of Living Legends is based on the following criteria:

- Nominees must be individuals who reflect the college's core values: Learning, Service and Involvement, Creativity and Innovation, Academic Excellence, Dignity and Respect and Integrity.
- Nominees must have profoundly shaped the progress of their communities and have a record of service and philanthropy in Collin County.

Community members are welcome to attend the tribute ceremony and may purchase tables of eight for \$400. In addition, corporations and/or families can choose to support the college through a special contribution as Humanitarian Sponsors at the \$5,000 level.

For more information about Living Legends, call the CCCCD Foundation, Inc. at 972.881.5611.

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Creating an Amazing Repair Technique

Dr. Ameer has created a degradable, implantable elastic that can be used to repair small blood vessels or coronary arteries, cartilage, ligaments or even bone tissue. This material is comprised of citric acid and diols, or double alcohols, substances our bodies use and therefore will not find foreign. Imagine you are a child who needs a new heart valve. This discovery could fix your problem without taking tissue from other parts of your body and without the use of any anti-rejection drugs or the need for continual surgery as you grow.



Dr. Guillermo Ameer

"Citric acid is in Coke and juices and is used as an additive and stabilizer. A diol reacts with it. We heat it up and create a solid that can be dissolved in ethanol and cast in molds. We add salt to the mold and then leach the salt out of it to create a framework with pores called a scaffold. The scaffold eventually degrades once implanted in the body. We add a person's or donor's cells to seed the scaffold to regenerate tissue or add signals to promote cells to migrate to the material," Dr. Ameer said.

Dr. Ameer is the founder and director of a new venture in progress—the Center for Vascular Bioengineering, which is a collaborative effort between surgeons, engineers and scientists to improve vascular disease with bioengineering. An assistant professor of biomedical engineering at Northwestern University, he transferred from Collin to the University of Texas at Austin and then completed his doctorate in chemical and biomedical engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). A strong supporter of education, Dr. Ameer feels that he got a great start at Collin.

"Collin serves the community. It is an excellent school. I felt prepared to go on to the university. All of my professors were good. Attending Collin worked for me. The price I paid for my education could have been 30 times as expensive," Dr. Ameer said.

Dr. Ameer views laboratory work as a maze. "In research you are constantly learning. One day you might hit the right entrance, and then you go to the next room

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and hit walls. It is like a labyrinth, but it is exciting and rewarding. We can make bone screws, with the same composition as bone, to secure ligaments. Surgeons traditionally use plastic or metal screws. Ceramic screws could be ideal, but the material is too brittle. With citric acid-based elastomers, we can now use ceramics and make bone screws, that when put in place, are expected to become indistinguishable from surrounding bone over time. What is left behind is as good as new," Dr. Ameer said.

Inventing a Protein Filter

Dr. Ameer has also created a blood filter protein using recombinant DNA technology that can filter specific proteins when used prior to or after dialysis. This device filters out the "bad" proteins while leaving the "good" proteins in blood. Individuals diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease have a plaque of protein in their brains which prevents neurons from functioning properly. The new protein filtering process could potentially slow down the disease by filtering out the unwanted protein. Patients with Carpal Tunnel Syndrome, arthritis and diabetes may also benefit from this process. His discovery is designed to prevent plaque from forming in the first place. Dr. Ameer says there is 95 percent failure in research. But the five percent success rate is worth it. Navigating through life can be much the same experience, but you learn as you go and ultimately enjoy the fruits of your labors.

"You have to have confidence and be positive about where you are heading. You have to truly believe in yourself. As someone once said, 'the way to be successful is by overcoming many challenges; you deal with them one at a time,'" Dr. Ameer said.

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First-time UTD students entering in the 2007-08 academic year are guaranteed fixed tuition and academic fees for four years. This is particularly helpful for students at Collin, because Collin has a special partnership agreement with UTD. Students who sign up for the Collin-UTD partnership program are essentially signing up for two colleges at once.

What this means is that students entering Collin in 2007-08 on a co-enrollment plan with UTD, having formally declared their intentions to transfer to the university and having met all UTD's academic requirements, are eligible for UTD's guaranteed fixed tuition and academic fees through 2011- 12. Thus, a freshman student in the program entering the college in 2007 would pay Collin tuition their first two years (a little more than \$1,000 a year for a full-time student), and then get a fixed tuition rate entering their last two years at UTD. This should help students in budgeting for college. College tuition around the state is growing by leaps and bounds. Over the past 10 years, tuition at UTD has increased about 4 or 5 percent per year.

UTD draws many of its transfer students – about 600 annually – from Collin. UTD is the number one transfer destination for Collin students.

According to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, UTD is the only public university in Texas with a tuition freeze.

Collin and UTD are working together more closely than ever to keep college affordable and to shorten the time to graduation.

For example, UTD recently offered \$175,000 in scholarships to Collin transfer students who plan to study science, technology, engineering or math. Both colleges collaborate in the High Technology Education Coalition of Collin County. Both colleges participate in the Science, Math, Advanced Research, Technology (SMART) educational initiative, and Collin students frequently receive Redman Scholarships, the most prestigious award available to transfer students at UTD.

For more information, call the Office for Undergraduate Education at 972.883.6706.

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Liz Trejo and Eddy Trejo

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Collin students **Shirley Allen**, of Allen, and **Yanina Kohut**, of Plano, were named to the 2005-06 All-Texas Academic Team of Phi Theta Kappa, an international honor society for community college students. Rankings on All-State teams are determined by a national competition. Members may receive medallions, certificates or scholarships.



Liana Morrow

Liana Morrow, of McKinney, was awarded the Dallas Area Paralegal Association Scholarship. She plans to become a certified paralegal in March and transfer to Texas Woman's University to earn a bachelor's degree in government with an emphasis in legal studies.

Quad C Theatre won 20 COLUMN Theatre Awards, a peer-reviewed annual awards ceremony representing the best theatre in the Dallas/Fort Worth area. The 20 awards were the most won by any theatre company this year. Thirteen of the awards, including best musical (non-equity), went to Quad C Theatre's production of "Bat Boy."

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Shirley Allen

Yanina Kohut

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Dr. Nell Ard, CNS, RNC, nursing program director, served on the Children & Community Clinic of McKinney Nursing Advisory Committee. She also served on the National League for Nursing (NLN) task force on Teaching/Learning in Nursing Education. Dr. Ard also was a site consultant for the NLN Center of Excellence in Nursing and a NLN Accrediting Commission site visitor.



Lynn Jones

Lynn Jones, professor of political science, was named associate editor of The Social Science Journal, the official quarterly publication of the Western Social Science Association – a multi-disciplinary association in the social sciences. The Social Science Journal publishes interdisciplinary and multi-disciplinary research in the social sciences.

The National Council for Marketing and Public Relations presented the college with two national **public relations awards** and six district awards. The college's community newsletter Connection was named the best in the country winning the Gold Paragon Award. A portrait taken by **staff photographer Nick Young** won a Bronze Paragon. The six district "Medallion" Awards, which included a Silver Medallion for Cougar News, commended Collin public relations projects such as feature articles, publications and photography.



Carolyn Perry

Dr. Carolyn Perry, chair of the Humanities Department, was invited to present a paper at Oxford University this past summer on "The Two Cultures," C.P. Snow's work on the schism between the scientific and literary intellectual communities of the 1950s.

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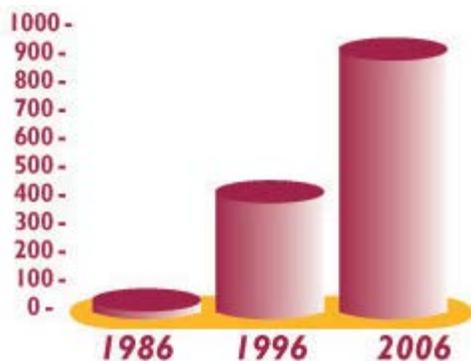
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Scholars in Your Midst

Through the study grant program at Collin, professors study topics in the fields they teach as well as related topics. Each year, instructors share their findings in presentations that are open to the public. Watch for details on the following study grants selected for 2006:

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PTK officers learn leadership on ropes

Sweat poured from their faces as they attempted to get everyone across the 25-foot tightrope, which dangled over a bottomless ravine. No one wanted to fall, but the task was physically difficult and frustrating.

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Hispanic Heritage Month starts Sept. 15 at Collin

Collin has slated a host of exciting events for Hispanic Heritage Month, Sept. 15-Oct. 15.

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Collin, UTD strike degree agreement

Collin and The University of Texas at Dallas (UTD) signed an agreement this week offering former students the ability to earn their associate degree from Collin while studying at UTD.

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College honors fifth anniversary of Sept. 11 terrorist attacks

Events on the Central Park, Courtyard Center for Professional and Economic Development, Preston Ridge and Spring Creek sites will honor and remember the victims and events of Sept. 11, 2001 on the fifth anniversary of the terrorist attacks.

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Teachers, advisors share resources, study tips

There are no cure-alls when it comes to studying. Sometimes, finding the right study strategy can be a more daunting task than actually doing the deed itself. But no matter how difficult it may seem to sit down and open those books, few can argue against the fact that studying is typically a giant portion of the learning process.

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Faculty and Staff Spotlight

Cougar News spotlights the accomplishments and personality of one of the college's Hispanic faculty members in

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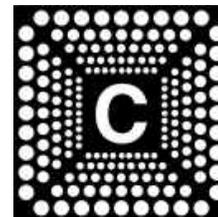
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Quad C Theatre revs up for 2006-07 season

The Quad C Theatre promises something for everyone during its upcoming season.

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Inflammatory breast cancer: Silent but deadly

According to The Breast Cancer Resource Center, more than 215,000 women are diagnosed with breast cancer every year; one person is diagnosed with breast cancer every three minutes.

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Cougar photo contest ends

One student took the initiative by taking Collin the Cougar to Hawaii.

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Top 10 -- Lesser-known Hispanic-American Accomplishments

The repercussions of Hispanic-American breakthroughs in science, politics, sports, entertainment, art, literature and more are felt daily. Here are some accomplishments that many people may not know.

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Recipe of the Month -- Crawfish Etouffee

The Recipe of the Month goes Cajun.

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Campus Dates

The fall semester is here. And the calendar is already filling up.

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Foundation awards scholarships

More than 250 students received scholarships from the Foundation during its annual Scholarship Banquet. The scholarships totaled about \$300,000.

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ACE. Dental Hygiene. Jazz. It's all happening at Collin!

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Quick Facts

Collin administered the Noel Levitz Student Satisfaction Inventory to a random sample of its students during spring 2006. The survey measures student satisfaction and the importance students attach to various college services. The composite satisfaction scores for the following college services are listed in the order of importance attributed to them by students.

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Health and Fitness -- Free services abound for students

There are a number of health and mental wellness services available to students for free.

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Unlock potential careers with CSCWE

Greetings to you who are returning or coming to Collin for the first time.

Our Career Services & Cooperative Work Experience department

(CSCWE) is available to help you unlock doors to many career planning and management questions.

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Transfer Tip -- Check into field of study curricula

In addition to the core curriculum, Texas law authorizes the state to create field of study curricula. A field of study curriculum consists of freshman and sophomore courses that apply to a specific major.

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Respiratory Care program schedules open house

The Respiratory Care program will be presenting two information sessions for the fall 2006 semester. Both sessions will be held at the Spring Creek Campus. The Oct. 9 session will be in room C104 from 6:30-8 p.m. The Oct. 19 session will be in room C104 from 1:30-3 p.m.

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Happy, happy birthday.

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While Cindy Garcia worked as a waitress, she imagined what it would be like to stand in front of a classroom full of third graders. She is now pursuing a degree in education at Collin County Community College (Collin) because of the generosity of individuals in the community. Garcia is acting on her dream, but there are more dreamers than scholarships to go around.

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Red carpet rolls out March 4 for sponsors of Plain & Fancy Ball Texas-Style

Because student need for financial aid is at an all-time high (see related story, above), the college is now seeking supporters for the second annual [Plain and Fancy Ball](#).

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Where are they now? Former student fights bioterrorism

NAME: Elizabeth Dalton

TITLE: Senior Program Analyst, Anteon Corporation

MISSION: To stop terrorists from gaining or using biological weapons; to protect the public if they do



Her life sounds like a spy novel: Flowing past officers of every branch of the military, winding through the Pentagon's outer ring, opening doors marked "Classified Personnel Only" with her thumbprint...Though it sounds like a work of fiction, this is practically an everyday occurrence in the life of Elizabeth Dalton, a biological weapons expert and former Collin student.

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College expands throughout Collin County

Due to student enrollment growth, Collin is expanding facilities at the Preston Ridge Campus in Frisco. Plans are underway to build a 50-60,000-square foot facility for classrooms and faculty offices between Founders and Heritage halls (site pictured at right). The new building will make the campus more comprehensive in order to offer more courses.

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Collin honors 2005 'Living Legends'

Recently, Collin recognized pillars of the community at its annual Living Legends Tribute, underwritten for the

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(Pictured at left during the Phi Theta Kappa annual convention are Collin President Cary Israel, former New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, Adele Bailey and Collin Board of Trustees Chairman Sam Roach.)

When Adele Bailey made remarks in Boston on behalf of the new inductees into the All-USA Academic Team, the spotlight was hers alone onstage in front of college leaders and students from across the U.S. However, she was far from alone back home in achieving the honor. She is one of three Collin students in the last five years to earn the ultimate prize for American community college students.

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2005 Collin County Legends revealed!

Collin is proud to announce the 2005 Living Legends--Richard and Diane Dill of McKinney, Jan Miller of the Anna and Celina communities, Rita G. Smith of Wylie, and Bob Warren of Frisco. Mark your calendar for the third annual tribute ceremony November 12, underwritten by *Baylor Regional Medical Center at Plano!*

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College offers new programs

The breadth of any community college is not based on where it has been, but where it is going. Collin has a very bright future, which is showcased in the many new programs, certificates and degrees being offered.

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College receives second \$1 million gift

Collin has received an unrestricted \$1 million gift from the estate of Royden Lebrecht . The bequest is the college's second \$1 million gift in as many years, and it will create scholarships as well as the first endowed chair in the college's history--the Lebrecht Chair for the Center for Scholarly and Civic Engagement.

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Where are they now?

An insider's view of the White House

Geoff Bailey was one of 100 recent interns at the White House, and he was one of only seven interns selected to work in Vice President Dick Cheney's office. Assigned to

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the White House photographer, he has numerous tales of the wonders of life on Capitol Hill. *(Pictured at left is former Collin student Geoff Bailey along with U.S. Vice President Dick Cheney.)*
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Special Faculty Feature: Educational Philosophies

Meet some of our esteemed faculty as they share their philosophies on higher education.

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Special Thanks, Plain & Fancy Ball

Collin County Community College District thanks High Society sponsors of the Plain & Fancy Ball. Watch for details on the next Plain & Fancy Ball set for March 2006!

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Plain & Fancy Ball turns educational fairytale to reality for Collin County Community College students

Time is running out to get the hottest ticket in town! Don't miss your chance to strut your stuff on the red carpet at the first-ever "Plain & Fancy Ball" at Collin County Community College while mystery judges pick the Most Fabulous, Most Elegant, Best Couple and Most Creative attire. Check out the [video!](#) (Load with QuickTime through attached link)

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College helps area brace for health care shortages

Collin County's population in 2004 was estimated at 615,200, and that number will climb to one million by 2025. Nationwide someone turns 50 every eight seconds, and the fastest-growing age bracket in Collin County is 65 plus. With Collin County's population growing and aging, the demand on the health care industry is mounting. You might be surprised to know what your community college is doing to help.

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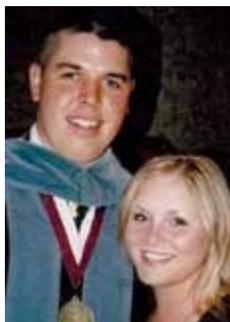


College accepting applications for 'SMART' scholarships

High school and college students interested math, science, computer science or engineering take note! Scholarships are available thanks to Texas Instruments.

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Where are they NOW?



Dr. Clint Feagin & Amanda Self Feagin

Seven years ago if you asked Clint Feagin and Amanda Self what the Farmersville natives wanted to be when they grew up, Clint would have said he definitely wanted to be an expert in his field and Amanda would have told you she was undecided. Today, after earning their degrees, the high school sweethearts are married and have grown into a veterinarian and a teacher.

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New Frisco addition now open

Preston Ridge Campus in Frisco is now the second-largest campus in the Collin County Community College District with the opening of a 103,000 square-foot

expansion.
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Student Highlights

Collin was one of only three colleges and universities nationwide recognized as an Outstanding Delegation for participation in the Model U.N. program.

From left to right: Professor Dierdre Wendell, Abena Ahenkan, Benjamin Painter, Jon Lucas, Josh Lucas, Josh Curlett, Fauzia Khan, Professor Hope Williams (seated)
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Q: What do Rice and the University of Texas have in common with Collin County Community College?

A: Accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS)

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You might be surprised to see how many graduates from area high schools come to Collin County Community College. Check out the percentages.

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Texas Instruments created a \$1 million scholarship endowment for CCCCD students who want to become engineers. This is largest endowed gift in the college's 20-year history! *(Pictured from left are students Laura Chavez and Abena Ahenkan; Sam Roach, chair of the CCCCD Board of Trustees; Phil Ritter, senior vice president of Texas Instruments; and students Nathan Klick and Raphael Moira.)*



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Baylor Regional Medical Center at Plano to sponsor 'Living Legends' Tribute Nov. 13

Professor John and Dr. Myrtle Hightower of Plano, Gerry Ruschhaupt of McKinney and Dr. Erwin and Elizabeth Pink of Frisco have been selected as the 2004 Living Legends. They will be honored on November 13 in a ceremony underwritten by Baylor Regional Medical Center at Plano.



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National Science Foundation, Texas Workforce Commission announce major grants to CCCCD

Good news abounds at Collin County Community College, where two foundations have announced major grants.

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Collin County Community College puts on a new face

Fall and change are in the air. If it has been a while since you set foot on a Collin County Community College District (CCCD) campus, then you might be surprised to find that it has changed quite a bit since your last visit.

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Meet the CCCCD Board of Trustees

The business of governing a college rests on the Board of Trustees, which plays a vital role in guiding the college and shaping its success. Community members with a passion for higher education comprise the Collin County Community College District Board of Trustees.

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Where are they now? Graduate from first class now a counselor at Plano Senior High School

Timing is everything. Ask Collin County Community College District alumna Vanessa Hundley. When she

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arrived late for her college graduation, the ceremony had ended, but that did not stop her from pursuing her dreams. She is now a counselor at Plano Senior High School.

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Final 'MONOPOLY®' raises record total for scholarships

Thanks to generous corporate and private sponsorships, "An Evening of MONOPOLY® on Ice" raised a record amount for scholarships this year, bringing in more than \$180,000.

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Welcome to our community e-newsletter!

Today, members of the community are receiving the very first issue of Collin County Community College District's electronic newsletter *Connection*. Enjoy!

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ABC News anchor Peter Jennings broadcasts at CCCCD

Peter Jennings of ABC's World News Tonight joined several local journalist in town hall meeting to discuss "Media Matters" with college students.

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Collin County Community College offers challenging academics

True or false: Students want easy classes. Surprisingly, many of today's best and brightest college students want a challenge rather than a walk in the park.

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An Evening of MONOPOLY On Ice: CCCCD Foundation, Inc. hosts fourth annual fundraiser

The Collin County Community College District Foundation, Inc. hosts the fourth annual "An Evening of Monopoly."

The twist this year is that it will be on ice!

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Appraisal District says tax growth down; planning strengthens college

Good news! *The Dallas Morning News* reported recently that Collin County Community College District has the lowest tax growth rate of any educational entity in the county, referring to data from the Central Appraisal District of Collin County.

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Where are they now? Former student featured as lead character in animated cartoon series

Riding the crest of a recent tsunami is voice actress and former CCCCD drama student, Laura Bailey. Bailey is a voice-over actress, sometimes called a re-dub artist, in that subculture of Japanese animation known as anime (A-ni-may).

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Collin County Economic Summit set for March 30

Business and community leaders interested in the future of the local economy will get a preview at the 2004 Collin County Economic Summit set for March 30.

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Hats off and congratulations to our many outstanding students like Bizu Ejigu, picture at the right.

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