



77th

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2023

Please note that participation in commencement is not confirmation of graduation or honors designation.



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THIS AFTERNOON'S CODE OF CONDUCT

With historic roots dating back to the thirteenth century, commencement ceremonies are traditionally dignified events. Participants and guests should enjoy themselves, but also remember that proper graduation etiquette requires courteous behavior.

Silence cell phones. Cell phones are to be switched to silent mode or turned off. Do not speak on a cell phone or carry on a conversation during the ceremony as this prevents others from hearing and enjoying the ceremony. When taking pictures, be mindful not to interfere with other attendees' enjoyment of the ceremony.

Remain in the venue through the full ceremony. As a courtesy to and out of respect for all graduates, the graduate and their family should remain seated until the conclusion of the ceremony.

Be respectful. Commencement is both a joyous and formal event. Express your excitement in ways that will not prevent others from hearing the speaker and enjoying the ceremony. The use of air horns, yelling, or stomping are disruptive.

Photo opportunities. Graduates, please limit selfies to your time in the audience. In an effort to keep the program moving no selfies or photos should be taken on stage.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Class of December 2023,



It has been my honor to witness the dedication of the Class of 2023 to accomplish your educational and career goals. You have prevailed through the challenges presented to you, both academic and beyond the classroom. Today, we commend you and your ability to rise and succeed above adversity, reaching this new milestone in your education and career.

We celebrate your achievements with this, the 77th Tidewater Community College Commencement Exercises.

Please remember as your time at TCC draws to a close, a commencement is not an end, but a beginning—and as an alumnus you will always be part of the TCC family!

As President of TCC, I extend my warmest congratulations to you, Class of 2023, and I wish you much success on the incredible and rewarding journey you will experience.

Sincerely,

Marcia Couston

President, Tidewater Community College

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL* **Fanfare and Processional**

GONFALONIERES* **Associate of Fine Arts, Thaddeus Coffey**
Associate of Arts, Ifedaya Ogunleye
Associate of Applied Arts, Micah Battalio
Associate of Science, Ava Napier
Associate of Science, Sarah Parish
Associate of Applied Science, Keziah Cook
Associate of Applied Science, Christina Hicks
Certificates, Tionna Grandberry-McClean

OPENING OF CEREMONIES* **Heather Boone**
Professor of the Year

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS* **Maury High School**
Color Guard

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM* **Desiree Flores**

INVOCATION* **Edward Sivells**
Veterans Affairs Assistant Office Manager
Center for Military & Veterans Education

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

OF GUEST SPEAKERS **Dr. Marcia Conston**
President, Tidewater Community College

STUDENT SPEAKER **Logan D. Gamma**
Class of 2023

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS **The Honorable**
Kenneth C. Alexander
Norfolk Mayor

* The audience will please stand.

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES**Dr. Michelle W. Woodhouse**
*Vice President for Academic Affairs
& Chief Academic Officer*

CONFERRING OF DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES..... **Dr. Conston**

BENEDICTION**Mr. Sivells**

CLOSING OF CEREMONIES**Ms. Boone**

ACADEMIC RECESSIONAL*

SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Tidewater Community College would like to acknowledge the following for their work with the 2023 Commencement Exercises:

- **2023 Fall Commencement Committee**
- **TCC Horticulture Program for the donation of all the plants featured at the Commencement Exercises**
- **TCC Faculty and Staff Volunteers**
- **TCC Student Ambassadors**
- **Maury High School Color Guard**
- **Desiree Flowers**
- **TCC Culinary Students for the delicious cupcakes presented to each graduate**
- **TCC Music Students**
- **Bob Schniedwind**

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COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

THE HONORABLE KENNETH C. ALEXANDER

Mayor of Norfolk



Dr. Kenneth Cooper Alexander is actively engaged in practical work and scholarly pursuits in leadership, politics, and public service. His scholarship focuses on organizational development, leadership and change in diverse settings, with an emphasis on nontraditional forms of leadership and the dynamics of power, influence, and information within leader-follower relationships.

As a guest columnist and the author of “Persistence: Evelyn Butts and the African American Quest for Full Citizenship and Self-Determination,” Dr.

Alexander sheds light on the African American struggle for equal rights and self-governance. His work practically applies leadership principles, mobilizing individuals and organizations to address political, social, and civic challenges through adaptive strategies, change-oriented approaches, and collaboration.

Dr. Alexander began his career as an International Relations teacher at Tidewater Community College and has since become the Chancellor of several career community colleges: Aviation Institute of Maintenance, Centura College, and Tidewater Tech. Additionally, he serves as the president of the family-owned Metropolitan Funeral Service.

With a distinguished political career, Dr. Alexander has been serving as Norfolk’s Mayor since May 2016 and was re-elected in May 2020. Prior to his mayoral role, he served in the Virginia Senate from 2012 to 2016 and in the House of Delegates from 2002 to 2012.

Dr. Alexander holds a bachelor’s degree in political science from Old Dominion University, a master’s degree in diplomacy from Norwich University, and a Ph.D. in Leadership and Change from Antioch University.

STUDENT SPEAKER

LOGAN D. GAMMA

Associate of Applied Science in Cybersecurity



Logan Gamma, a graduate of Tallwood High School in Virginia Beach, is graduating from Tidewater Community College this evening with an associate of applied science degree in Cybersecurity. Gamma will transfer to Old Dominion University to continue his education in the cybersecurity field.

Gamma is a former officer of the Tidewater Community College Computer Club and has worked as an intern to assist his fellow students in their studies. He is also the recipient of a Microsoft Cybersecurity Scholarship and, due to his scholastic achievements, was flown to San Francisco by

Microsoft to attend the RSA Conference, a major cybersecurity event.

Gamma has also served as a contracted ambassador with the Last Mile Education Fund, which provides extra funding to Tidewater Community College students in technical programs.

During the Microsoft VIP Award ceremony, Gamma was recognized as a top scorer in the Shadow Hunter video game event nationally and 2nd place internationally, being recognized by Last Mile's CEO, Ruthe Farmer and Microsoft's CISO, Bret Arsenault and hundreds of tech company representatives for his outstanding achievement.

GRADUATES

– ASSOCIATE OF FINE ARTS –

Andrea Chaparro
Thaddeus Coffey
Desiree Nicole Flores
Joaquin Dionicio Garza
Liam Miller

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Cory Everett Phillips
Caleb Nathanael Prause
Stephen Orion Rios
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Hannah Nicole Anderson
Nicholas James Anderson
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Nicole Faith Mangao Aranzado
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Eiona J. Averett
Bryan Keith Baker
Ryan Alexander Ball
Reese Tanner Barbee
Jenny Teresa Barbieri
Stacey Lynn Barker
Kyara Barkley
Jessyca Yvonne Barnes
Michelle Vincenza Barone
Alea Nicole Barry
Avery Carlisle Bartok
Dominic Alfred Bautista
Damia Jace Beasley
Jeremy David Bell
Chad Alexander Bergland
Catikka C. Blake
Emma Jo Blankenship
Erin N. Bollow
Janel Tamar Bordley
Christian James Boudouris
Calvin Brooks Boulier

* Receiving multiple awards

Kathryn Lydia Bourlier
Sierra Dawn Bowdish
Taylor Louise Bowers
Lily Maebh Kaylin Bowman
Angelo Aaron Brace
Chase Oliver Brady
Baishawn Dequan Branch
Christi M. Brazee
Savannah Alexis Brewer
Asha L. Bronaugh
John Adams Brown
Marco Lavon Brown
Matthew Alexander Brown
Amber Colette Brown
Jallon Keshara Brown
Tamika Nicole Brown
Latoya Venicia Tiffany Browne
Malcolm King Bryan
David Michael Burke
Ryan Morgan Burney
Donis Kira Butler
Dakeria Shakeyia Bynum
Manuelle Alejandro Cambas
Leah Faith Cameron
Logan Eric Campbell
Meghan A. Carlson
Stacy Celeide
Shayla ellisa Champion
John David Chavez Sanchez
Savannah Marie Cherry
Angela Regina Christabel
Mark Vincent Ciardiello
Kyra Leigh Clark
Adiel Isaiah Clark

Alyssa Ashley Clerico
Grace Ruth Clevenger
Talib Atif Cobbs
Natalie Kamah Cole
Anya Nichole Colyer
Dylan Combs
Khaliq M. Cook
Madison Constance Cooley
Bryson Alan Coons
Jennifer Nicole Cooper
Jordan Brittany Cooper
Kaitlin Amber Cooper-Sagner
Kylee Miranda Corin
Simone Ashley Coston
Grace Liana Crozier
Danielle Patricia Culanding
Matthew Ryan Czajkowski
Kaylee M. Dahmen
Colby Daniel
Dorothy Marsha Daniel
Sheree Mae De Guzman David
Parker Evan Davis
Eliani Yosira De Los Santos
Abigail Lauren Dear
Joshua Yohance Debbly
Barbara R. DelDonna
Jasmine Nicole DeV Vaughn
Cole Jacob Dewey
Cierra Sommer Diaz
Marlon Abel Dickerson
Addison Joseph DiDio
Chiquetta L. Dixon
Tatyana Alisa Dowell
Ryan David Doy

Daniel Augustus Duggan
Laura Duncan
Darren Andrew Dunlop
Sabrina Joann Dupree
Tyra Deva Dusenbery
Kiyah Cieria Edwards
Ethan Wayne Egeland
Denzel Dominique Eleby
Tyler Daniel Emick
Anthony Connor Eppley
Christopher Kyle Evans
Karla K. Evans
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Khyमारrii Charmaine Farquharson
Joshua D. Feliciano
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Elizabeth Ann Ferrara**
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Madison Folsom
Jaeda Titanya Francis
Maria Renee Franklin
Kelsey Mckenzie Fulmore
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Cibyl Gard
Cathryn D. Garfield
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Haley Nicole Gilder
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Emma Irene Goulart
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Chad Pharaoh Hargro
Bailey Breanne Harmon
Clarence Edward Harper
Jernae Victoria Harper
LaSheena Michelle Harper
Reagyn Klein Harris
Christopher Daniel Harsch
Kaitlin Amber Haugen
Gahmar Latrell Hawes
Courtney C. Hawkins
Jamie Lynn Hayden
Collin Douglas Hayes
Christopher Thomas Heckman
Jamie M. Heffernan
Anna Olivia Herchenroder
John Matthew Hewitt
Hunter Ryan Hogan
Ryan Cole Hogmire
Haley Nicole Holderfield
Isabella Rose Hollingsworth
Emily Kate Hord

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Allison Ruth Hurd
Ashley Ava gaye Hylton
Lavonia Sherelle Hyman
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Meagan Brooke Kiker
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Griffin Garner Kline
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Rykel Ronise Knighton
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Meredith Christin Kohler
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Kirby Scott LaBounty
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Leia Marycatherine Lassiter-Hunter
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Kimberly Lorraine Koonce
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Ines Ondo-Baca
Shelby Lauren O'Neal
Spencer Ethan Ottey
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Melody Nicole Reid
Nichool Alisa Resto
Jesus Rios-Flores
Derrick William Ceasar Robinson
Luisanna Maria Rodriguez
Charles Rogers
Daniel Joseph Rosenfarb
Mareesa Anne Rybak
Noah Michael Salsgiver
Yaeger Samuel
Veronica Sanchez-Rebollar
Ashley Michelle Sandiford
Samantha Rose Santasiero
Isha Sattar
Jessica Marie-Botello Schoener
Tanya Renee Scott
Rebecca Jeanne Shepard
Takao Jackson Sheridan
Seth Adam Shields
Patrick Jordan Smith
Mikayla Denise Smith
Jessica Taylor Snead
Heidi Darlene Snyder
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Aaron William Davidson
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Donald Ray Davis
Jordan Foster Davis
Shirley Marie Davis
Hope Taryn Deighton
Trevon Kingsley DeMary
Ciera Deriggs
Jeanette Diaz Olivo
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Felicia Ashley Dyitt
Jennifer Lynn Economy
David Thomas Foulkes
Nathan Howard Freeman
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Francine Chelsea Grains
Tionna Niakere Grandberry-Mclean
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Tyler John Griffin
Cora JoLynn Grindley
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Marquel Demonte Hart
Trymane Omar Herbert**
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Virginia Allen Hintay
William Joseph Hogge
Hilton Alexander Holcombe
Dallas Isaiah Holloway
Ryan Hopf
Malkia Hoskins
Audri Simone Jackson
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Armelia Devonshay Jones
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Linel Van Shoun Mallery
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Natashia Diondre Mayo
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Brandon Kent Perdue
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Federick Renzon Luis Colambo
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Kristen Joanne Redden
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ABOUT THE COLLEGE

Founded in 1968 as a part of the Virginia Community College System, Tidewater Community College (TCC) has successfully moved into the next semicentennial.

The College served 24,435 students in 2023, making it the second largest community college in Virginia. Nearly 20% of recent public high school graduates in South Hampton Roads made TCC their college of choice.

TCC's diverse student body ranges in age from teenagers to senior citizens, with an average age of 26. Nearly 60% of students are women. With minority enrollment at 53%, TCC has the largest African American undergraduate enrollment in Virginia and is No.19 nationally in conferring associate degrees on African American students, as ranked by *Diverse: Issues in Higher Education*. Military-related students represent about a third of its enrollment.

TCC has campuses in Chesapeake, Norfolk, Portsmouth, and Virginia Beach. Its regional centers include the new Visual Arts & Design Center and Jeanne and George Roper Performing Arts Center in downtown Norfolk; Advanced Technology Center, Center for Military and Veterans Education, and Regional Health Professions Center on its Virginia Beach Campus; Regional Automotive Center in Chesapeake; Regional Workforce Solutions Center in Suffolk; and the Skilled Trades Academy in Portsmouth.

The college's regional accreditation is affirmed through 2027 by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges. Additionally, 13 of TCC's academic programs are recognized for their excellence by national accrediting organizations.

THE ACADEMIC REGALIA

The history of academic dress reaches back to 12th and 13th century Britain and Europe, where the dress of the scholar, whether student or teacher, was that of a cleric. In 15th century Britain, Oxford and Cambridge universities first began prescribing academic dress and made it a matter of university control—even to the extent of minor details and punishments for tailors who deviated from the standards.

Today, the gown, cap, and hood signify the privileges and responsibilities of the scholar. While European universities show great diversity in academic dress, American colleges and universities have followed a single standard since 1895.

The gown is a symbol of the democracy of scholarship, as it covers dress indicating rank or social standing. Associate, bachelor's and master's degree gowns have no trimming; the doctoral robe is faced with velvet and has velvet bars on the sleeves.

The cap, symbolizing freedom of scholarship, descends from the pileus, the favored headgear of medieval clerics. Two varieties of the pileus are common at American colleges and universities—the soft, beret-like Tudor bonnet and the more common Oxford cap, or “mortarboard.” The tassel on the cap may be black or the color of the wearer's learning discipline or institution. Graduates wear the tassel on the front left side after degrees are conferred. Numerous institutions, including TCC, have adopted the practice of having graduates shift their tassels from right to left in unison upon conferring of the degrees.

The academic hood, which descends from cowls worn by monks to ward off cold drafts in their monasteries, is worn by those holding bachelor's, master's, and doctorate degrees. Color may denote the wearer's academic discipline or college or university.

TCC regalia features a blue robe, blue mortarboard with silver and blue tassel, and silver stole with the college seal. Graduates may also wear one or more of the following:

- Cords whose colors represent a graduate's degree (the first color is the primary)
 - » Certificate/Diploma: red and green
 - » Associate of Applied Science: green and blue
 - » Associate of Applied Arts: blue and green
 - » Associate of Arts: red and blue
 - » Associate of Fine Arts: brown and blue
 - » Associate of Science: blue and red
- Gold cords, denoting graduation with honors
- Red, white and royal blue braided cords, honoring active-duty military, veterans, spouses and other military-related students
- Gold stoles and medals, worn by members of the Phi Theta Kappa honor society
- Medals with burgundy and yellow ribbon, worn by members of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars
- White stoles, worn by elected and appointed officers and senators of the Student Government Association
- Kente cloth stoles of black, yellow, green, and red, worn by participants in the Open Door Project
- Governor's Medallions, worn by dual-enrollment students who have completed a degree or certificate
- Turquoise and royal blue braided cords, worn by TCC Student Ambassadors
- Teal and gold cords worn by Accelerated Degree graduates
- Blue and silver "school spirit" cords
- Medallion with navy blue ribbon, worn by the Gonfalonieres

THE ACADEMIC BANNERS

The gonfalon, a banner that hangs from a crosspiece or frame, originated in the medieval republics of Italy as an authoritative emblem of state or office. Gonfalons have been adopted by many colleges and universities around the world as academic banners to display college or institutional insignias, as well as to identify and lead colleges and schools within an institution in academic processions.

TCC's six gonfalons represent the degrees (Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Associate of Fine Arts, Associate of Applied Arts, and Associate of Applied Science) and certificates awarded by TCC.

TCC's gonfalons consist of a broad center panel ending in a fishtail below, with angled, narrower side panels of a contrasting color. The college's logo and tagline appear at the bottom of the central panel, with the name of the academic degree at the top.



THE MACE AND THE MEDALLION

The academic mace is a traditional ceremonial staff that serves as a symbol of authority. Tidewater Community College's mace is a gift from Old Dominion University, which, in 1999, commissioned its creation by James C. Chalkley, a professional artist serving as an adjunct art faculty member at TCC's Visual Arts Center. This enduring gift, crafted of silver and crystal, is a token of the shared goals and strong working relationship between the two institutions. The intersecting facets forming the head of the mace represent the college's four-campus, unified structure.

The President's Medallion is a traditional academic symbol of the authority and responsibility of the Office of the President.

The three and a half-inch, silver plated medallion features the Tidewater Community College Seal. In addition, small pearls circle the medallion, reflecting the wisdom and knowledge imparted by the President. The medallion is worn by the President with academic regalia at commencement and other formal college ceremonies.



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