

Class of 2023  
Graduation



**TECH HIGH SCHOOL**

MAY 27, 2023

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G r a d u a t i o n

**Processional**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Alayna Aguilar, *Graduate*

**Welcome**

Dewayne Voto, *Teacher*

**Salutatorian Address**

Claire Rhodes, *Graduate*

**Valedictorian Address**

Phoenix Matlock, *Graduate*

**Commencement Speaker**

Richard N. Rickey, *Founder and CEO*

**Senior Video**

**Certification and Acceptance of Diplomas**

Carla Silber, *Superintendent*

**Conferring of Diplomas**

**Farewell Address & Presentation of Graduates**

Missy Dean, *Principal*

**Recessional**

*We ask that you be courteous to others by turning off all cell phones and electronic devices. We ask that all attendees remain seated during the ceremony until all graduates have recessed. While it is appropriate to rejoice at this festive moment, using air-horns or other disruptive devices are not permitted.*

# *2023 Graduates*

Alayna Celeste Aguilar

Alicia Diane Almendarez

Ciara Shanelle Camper-Robinette

Jack Robert Chambers

Nicholas James Howard

Phoenix Lee Matlock

Nickolas Kyle Newsom

Magali Lucia Ramirez

Elliana Jovita Ramirez

Claire Avery Rhodes

Brandon Jacob Urtado

Jordan Tyler Yarborough

Addysen Gayle Ybarra

## **HONOR CORDS**

Graduates who have completed at least 100 hours of community service wear a silver cord. White cords are worn by students in the top 10% of the graduating class. Graduates who completed 12+ dual credit hours through Austin Community College wear a Riverbat Purple Academic Cord.

# **THE SCHOOL**

The unique Gateway Tech High School blended learning environment consists of on-site certified teachers and computer-based instruction. Gateway's program utilizes an online learning that will lead to a Texas high school diploma and prepares the student for college and career readiness.

This type of learning environment requires that motivated students learn to set goals and work semi-independently. Our model provides the structure and the monitoring to allow students to exceed all expectations and accelerate through their coursework.

Gateway Tech is a part of the Orenda Charter School. Orenda Education is the sponsoring entity for the Orenda Charter School District. Orenda Education is the non-profit educational organization incorporated in 1995 and headquartered in Georgetown, Texas.

## **GATEWAY TECH HIGH SCHOOL STAFF**

Missy Dean, Principal  
Dewayne Voto, Teacher  
Halley Foulds, Registrar

## **ORENDA EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION**

Richard N. Rickey, Founder and Chief Executive Officer  
Carla Silber, Superintendent  
Margina Escobar, Chief Financial Officer  
Teresa Moreno, Director of Human Resources  
Albert Rodriguez, Director of Technology  
Misty Granderson, Director of Special Education  
Kimberly Arnold, Director of Academic Programs  
Adam Price, Director of Community Relations and Development

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