ECHS Scholars,

I encourage you and your parents to review the **Commencement** information.

General Information

<u>Date:</u> Saturday, May 20, 2023, at 2:00 p.m., South and Southeast Campuses

<u>Location</u>: Fort Worth Convention Center (FWCC), 1201 Houston St. Fort Worth, TX 76102. Free parking will be available at our Trinity River Campus with transportation options to the FWCC. <u>Driving Directions to TR Campus</u> Paid parking is also available in garages and on the street near the FWCC. Please check the TCC website for updated transportation and parking information <u>here</u>.

<u>Ceremony</u>: TCC will be returning to a traditional ceremony after the past two years of rolling ceremonies during the pandemic.

- o ECHS/P-TECH students will be recognized/acknowledged in the TCC Chancellor's remarks.
- o ECHS/P-TECH students will sit together in the front of the graduate seating area, and they will be the first to process into the FWCC arena and the first to cross the stage.
- o Graduates are not limited in the number of guests attending the ceremony, and tickets will NOT be required for family and friends.
- o The event will be live streamed for those guests who cannot attend in person and the live stream will also be available to watch later.
- o These ceremonies include Summer 2022 & Fall 2022 Graduates and Spring 2023 Candidates.
- ECHS/P-TECH students must RSVP for the ceremony by completing the <u>Graduation</u> Interest Form.
 - o This form allows the student to indicate how their name will appear on their diploma and the address where the diploma should be mailed.
 - o To complete the form:
 - Log in to MyTCCTrack
 - Select "Students"
 - Select "Graduation Interest Form," found under the "Student Records Services" heading
 - Select "Click here to access the Graduation Interest Form" at the bottom of the page
 - Check the box of the appropriate academic program and click "Submit"
 - Fill out the form and click "Submit"
- A professional photographer will take photos as graduates walk across the stage.
- Students will be able to pick up regalia (cap and gown only) through the TCC Campus Bookstores. The students must have submitted the Interest Form and their eligibility verified before they can pick up regalia. The deadline to pick up regalia at their home campus will be May 15, 2023. Final pick up will be available at the Trinity River

Campus Bookstore **only** on May 16-17, 2023, with some regalia available on a first come-first-serve basis at FWCC on the day of Commencement.

- o ECHS/P-TECH students will be distinguished from other TCC graduates with a white tassel.
 - Tassels will be provided at check-in at the Convention Center (the regalia the students will order will include a black tassel).
- Watch for an email from Marching Order for the opportunity to confirm participation in a ceremony and have an opportunity to use "Say It Right" for pronunciation of their name.
- The Grad Pass, which is the graduate's ticket to graduation, will be sent to the TCC student email about a week prior to the ceremony. Graduates will need their Grad Pass for Graduate Check-in and must be wearing their regalia. Students must arrive with their Grad Pass printed and folded. Graduates must be wearing their regalia.

This is truly an exciting time for our graduates—a culmination of their hard work, determination, and perseverance that is extremely worthy of celebration and praise! I look forward to partnering with you over the next few months. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions.