



# *Edgewood Fine Arts Academy*

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# Commencement Exercises

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*Class of 2023*

***Friday, June 9, 2023 • 2:00 pm  
Edgewood Performing Arts Theatre***



## District Mission:

*Edgewood ISD provides an exceptional learning experience that engages, empowers, and prepares students to compete and reach their highest potential in an ever-changing World.*

## District Vision:

*For every child, success in life. Edgewood Proud!*

# Edgewood Independent School District Board of Trustees

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Dr. Eduardo Hernández

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*Principal* - Dr. Timothy Vaughn, Jr.

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*College Recruitment Adviser, Advise TX* - Javier Alejandro Arellano

# COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

## Processional

Welcome .....	Dr. Timothy Vaughn, Jr. <i>Edgewood Fine Arts STEAM Academy Principal</i>
Presentation of Colors .....	Memorial High School Color Guard
US National Anthem .....	Madisen Paige Martinez
Invocation .....	Brandon Nicolas Garza
Message from the Principal .....	Dr. Timothy Vaughn, Jr.
Introduction of Platform Guests .....	Brandon Nicolas Garza
Presentation of Salutatorian .....	Dr. Timothy Vaughn, Jr.
Salutatory Address .....	Nicholas Antonio Rodriguez
Presentation of the Valedictorian .....	Dr. Timothy Vaughn, Jr.
Valedictory Address .....	Andrea Palomeque Saldivar
Certification of 2023 Senior Class .....	Dr. Eduardo Hernandez <i>Superintendent of Schools, Edgewood ISD</i>
Presentation of Graduates.....	Mr. Reynaldo Juarez <i>Assistant Principal, Edgewood Fine Arts STEAM Academy</i>
Alma Mater .....	"Edgewood Is My Ideal" <i>Edgewood Fine Arts Academy Varsity Choir Seniors</i>

## Recessional

*The content of each student speaker's message is the private expression of the individual student and does not necessarily reflect the endorsement, sponsorship, position, or expression of the District.*

# 2023 HIGHEST RANKING GRADUATES

*Valedictorian* ..... Andrea Palomeque Saldivar \*\*\*

*Salutatorian* ..... Nicholas Antonio Rodriguez \*\*

Brianna Angel Villarreal\*\*

Ricardo Antonio Gonzalez, III\*\*

Christopher Eduardo Martinez\*\*

Kaleb Steven C. Cerda\*\*

Nathan Cantu\*



# 2023 GRADUATION CANDIDATES

Ethan George Alvarado

Velia Nicole Alvarez

Angelina Nicole Bautista Cervantes

Xavier Alexander Cantu

Nathaniel Caleb Castro

Jesse Cole Cruz

Kaylene Areli Delacruz

Aleah Duquette

Adan Escobar\*

Faith Emely Estrada

Anthony Flores\*

Gwenevier Angel Flores

Jerral Douglas Friend

Brianna Nicole Garcia

\*\*\**Summa Cum Laude* (GPA 100 or above)

\*\**Magna Cum Laude* (GPA 95-99)

\**Cum Laude* (90-94)

# 2023 GRADUATION CANDIDATES

Brandon Nicolas Garza  
Tony Phillip Granado, Jr.  
Angel Rene Gonzalez\*  
Jasmine Monique Guerra  
Brandy Marie Hernandez  
Gabriela Hernandez\*  
Katelyn Nicole Herrera  
Aaron Isaac Iniguez  
Brenda Lyn Juarez  
Brenna Elizabeth Kelley  
Lillian Patrice Ledezma\*  
Paulina Lopez  
Angelina Jolee Mann  
Lillian Jeyla Manzano\*  
Javier Dayvi Marin  
Haylei Ann Martinez  
Madisen Paige Martinez  
Raylynn Sky Martinez  
Santa Anna Maria Lucia Martinez  
Tristen Leann McGraw  
Matthew Andrew Mendoza  
Mariah Teresa Mercado  
Mia Cecilia Montalvo

Yamilet Dalila Moran Mata\*  
Andrew Jacob Moreno  
Donovan Michael Navarro  
Jazmyn Ariy Ybiernas Ongpoy  
Serinity Jade Marie Orta Driesse  
Adrian A. Parga  
Michael Anthony Ramon, III  
Marisol Lluvia Reyna  
Marissa Leonor Reyna  
Emily Jo Rodriguez  
Joshua Michael Rodriguez  
Edward Julio Rubio  
Irene Salinas  
Mac Sanchez\*  
Michelle Leigh Sanchez  
Ruby Lynn Sanchez\*  
Wendy Jackeline Serna\*  
Frank Settles, IV  
Ruben Tristian Soto, Jr.  
Jadelyn McKenzie Sullins  
Jason Mart Tanner, Jr.\*  
Edgar Vazquez

# Edgewood High School

## Fight Song

*Here's to dear old Edgewood High  
We thing the world of you  
Fight, Fight, Fight,  
We will raise our banners to the sky  
We will raise our banners to the sky  
We will win or know the reason why  
Down with all the other schools  
There's only one for me  
Fight, Fight, Fight,  
Here's to the Edgewood  
We're all for Edgewood  
We'll fight to win victory.*

# SENIOR CLASS 2023

## Class Song

*"Where'd all the time go?" by Dr. Dog*

## Class Motto

*Golden Rule - "One step at a time, but always forward."*

## Class Officers

Brandon Nicolas Garza .....	President
Brenda Lyn Juarez .....	Vice President
Katelyn Nicole Herrera .....	Secretary
Velia Nicole Alvarez .....	Historian
Jasmine Monique Guerra .....	Class Representative
Angelina Bautista Cervantes .....	Class Representative
Jesse Cole Cruz .....	Class Representative
Nicholas Antonio Rodriguez .....	Class Representative
Ruby Lynn Sanchez .....	Class Representative



# SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARD OFFERINGS

*Scholarships and awards received at time of program publication*

Ethan George Alvarado

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

Velia Nicole Alvarez

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

Angelina Nicole Bautista Cervantes

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

University of the Incarnate Word

Distinguished Scholarship

PASEO Program Scholarship

Compadres for Scholarships Award

Kaleb Steven C. Cerda

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

Las Casas Foundation Scholarship

Thespian Foundation Scholarship

Jesse Cole Cruz

University of the Incarnate Word Dean's  
Scholarship

Edgewood District Veterans Scholarship

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

Kaylene Areli Delacruz

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

Compadres for Scholarships Award

Aleah Duquette

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

Faith Emely Estrada

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

University of the Incarnate Word

Distinguished Scholarship

Anthony Flores

St. Mary's University Gateway Scholarship

Gwenevier Angel Flores

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

Jerral Douglas Friend

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

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Scholarship

Brandon Nicolas Garza  
San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship  
PASEO Program Scholarship

Angel Rene Gonzalez  
St. Mary's University Gateway Scholarship  
University of the Incarnate Word Provost  
Scholarship  
San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

Brandy Marie Hernandez  
San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

Katelyn Nicole Herrera  
San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

Brenda Lyn Juarez  
San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

Brenna Elizabeth Kelley  
San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

Angelina Jolee Mann  
San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

Lillian Jeyla Manzano  
Our Lady of the Lake University Dean's  
Merit Scholarship  
PASEO Program Scholarship  
St. Mary's University Gateway Scholarship  
University of the Incarnate Word Dean's  
Scholarship

Christopher Eduardo Martinez  
San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship  
St. Mary's University Gateway Scholarship  
University of the Incarnate Word Provost  
Scholarship

Madisen Paige Martinez  
San Antonio Education Partnership  
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**Tristen Leann McGraw**

St. Mary's Gateway Scholarship

University of the Incarnate Word Dean's  
Scholarship

**Matthew Andrew Mendoza**

University of the Incarnate Word Dean's  
Scholarship

**Yamilet Dalila Moran Mata**

St. Mary's University Gateway Scholarship

University of the Incarnate Word Provost  
Scholarship

Edgewood District Veterans Scholarship

Compadres for Scholarships Award

**Andrew Jacob Moreno**

PASEO Program Scholarship

**Donovan Michael Navarro**

University of Texas at El Paso Institutional  
Grant

University of Texas at Rio Grande Valley  
Housing Scholarship

University of the Incarnate Word

Distinguished Scholarship

**Jazmyn Ariy Ybiernas Ongpoy**

Houston Christian University Grant

University of the Incarnate Word Dean's  
Scholarship

University of the Incarnate Word Grant  
Funds

**Andrea Palomeque Saldivar**

PASEO Program Scholarship

St. Mary's University Gateway Scholarship

Texas A&M University- San Antonio

Achiever Promise

University of the Incarnate Word

Presidential Scholarship

Alamo Heights Rotary Scholarship

**Adrian A. Parga**

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

**Marisol Lluvia Reyna**

University of the Incarnate Word

Distinguished Scholarship

**Marissa Leonor Reyna**

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

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**Joshua Michael Rodriguez**

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

**Nicholas Antonio Rodriguez**

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship  
St. Mary's University Gateway Scholarship

**Edward Julio Rubio**

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

**Irene Salinas**

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

**Mac Sanchez**

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

**Michelle Leigh Sanchez**

San Antonio Education Partnership

**Ruby Lynn Sanchez**

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship  
PASEO Program Scholarship \$1,000

**Wendy Jackeline Serna**

Our Lady of the Lake University Merit  
Scholarship  
University of the Incarnate Word Dean's  
Scholarship

**Frank Settles, IV**

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

**Ruben Tristian Soto, Jr.**

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Scholarship

**Jason Mart Tanner, Jr.**

St. Mary's University Gateway Scholarship  
University of the Incarnate Word Provost  
Scholarship

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# GRADUATION REGALIA

## NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

*(white stole with blue and white shield)*

Kaleb Steven C. Cerda

Yamilet Dalila Moran Mata

Brianna Angel Villarreal

## MILITARY ENLISTMENT

United States Navy

Frank Settles, IV

# TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY

## 2023 INDUSTRY RECOGNIZED CERTIFICATIONS

### *Certified Solidworks Associate*

Ethan George Alvarado  
Nathan Cantu  
Xavier Alexander Cantu  
Nathaniel Caleb Castro  
Angel Rene Gonzalez  
Christopher Eduardo Martinez  
Yamilet Dalila Moran Mata

Andrew Jacob Moreno  
Andrea Palomeque Saldivar  
Michael Anthony Ramon, III  
Nicholas Antonio Rodriguez  
Ruby Lynn Sanchez  
Jason Mart Tanner, Jr.

### *Cosmetology*

Jasmine Monique Guerra  
Brenda Lyn Juarez  
Brenna Elizabeth Kelley  
Haylei Ann Martinez

Tristen Leann McGraw  
Matthew Andrew Mendoza  
Mia Cecilia Montalvo  
Emily Jo Rodriguez

# TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY

## 2023 INDUSTRY RECOGNIZED CERTIFICATIONS

### *Welding AWS D9.1 1F GMAW*

Joshua Michael Rodriguez

### *Welding AWS D9.1 2F GMAW*

Brandon Nicolas Garza

Javier Dayvi Marin

Edward Julio Rubio

Frank Settles, IV

Ruben Tristian Soto, Jr.

### *Welding D1.1 2F Tack SMAW*

Brandon Nicolas Garza

Jerral Douglas Friend

Tony Phillip Granado, Jr.

### *Welding 9.1 3F UP SMAW*

Aaron Isaac Iniguez

Edward Julio Rubio

Ruben Tristian Soto, Jr.



# Edgewood Fine Arts Academy Alma Mater

*We will always be faithful to Edgewood High*

*School that is tried and true*

*Always firm and strong, we will go on and on*

*Cheering and singing for you.*

*We will always be loyal to Edgewood High*

*Symbol of something real*

*Always proud and gay forever glad to say*

*Edgewood is my ideal.*

*With the red and the white waving and shining in the sky*

*Ready to fight do or die*

*And the spirit is there*

*Always together aiming high*

*Hard to beat no matter how you try.*

*We will always be faithful to Edgewood High*

*Symbol of something real*

*Always proud and gay forever glad to say*

*Edgewood is my ideal.*