Dear Graduates:

Since the first day, you stepped into a classroom, your family and teachers have been supporting you along this memorable journey of education. The day has come and for the past four years, you have been waiting for this moment.

The Class of 2020 is graduating during a historic and unusual time and that makes it unique and different for you. Your dedication and hard work have paid off and it is appropriate to be recognized for your achievements. This is the time to celebrate. All of our teachers stand with you and share the excitement and joy of your accomplishments.

During these unprecedented times with the COVID-19 crisis, we have reflected on what is important – staying healthy and safe. We have also looked at your strength, dedication, and resilience. You should be very proud and honored, as you have stayed strong to continue learning and adapt to a new way of living.

On behalf of the Brownsville Independent School District Board of Trustees and myself, I want to wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors. As you close this chapter of your life and begin another, do not forget about BISD and the memories you made here. You will continue on your path of life learning, taking on new challenges, and preparing for the future. I am proud and fortunate that you made “The Best Choice” of learning with us.

Congratulations and good luck,

Dr. René Gutiérrez
Superintendent of Schools
COMMENCEMENT SCHEDULE
7:30 P.M. AT SAMS MEMORIAL STADIUM

June 1  Rivera Early College High
June 2  Hanna Early College High
June 3  Veterans Memorial Early College High School
June 4  Pace Early College High
June 5  Brownsville Early College High School
June 6  Lopez Early College High School
June 7  Porter Early College High

Note: Each graduate will be allowed two guests.
In case of inclement weather, rescheduled Commencement Exercises will be held beginning the week of June 8, 2020, at Sams Memorial Stadium.

HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDELINES

BISD is proud of the successes and accomplishments of its 2020 graduating seniors. Although the district is unable to host traditional graduation ceremonies, steps have been taken to carry out in-person commencement exercises at Sams Memorial Stadium while at the same time complying with the most recent health and safety guidelines.

The following information is to assist the graduates and their guests. Social distancing will be in place at all times and metal detectors will once again be utilized. BISD thanks all who take part in the 2020 commencement exercises for their patience and understanding.

COVID19 PRECAUTIONS AND PROCEDURES

Prior to Commencement Exercises:
* There will be no rehearsals for commencement exercises.
* The graduate will pick up his/her envelope at the campus. This envelope will have the gate number to be used by the graduate, the row number where the graduate will be seated on the field, and the two guest tickets
* Graduates and guests experiencing the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19 must excuse themselves from the event:
  - Cough
  - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
  - Chills
  - Repeated shaking with chills
  - Muscle pain
  - Headache
  - Sore throat
  - Loss of taste or smell
  - Diarrhea
  - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees
  - Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19 if exposure to the active confirmed case occurred within the last 14 days Those found with any of these signs or symptoms must be excluded from the activity.

At Commencement Exercises:
* Face coverings or mask must be worn
* Hand sanitizer or hand washing stations will be available at all venue entrances.
* Participants will keep 6 feet or more apart from each other.
* Members of the same household will be allowed to sit together in the audience but must be at least 6 feet away from any other family group at all times.
* Assigned seating for members of the audience will be used to ensure separation between household groups.
* Guests may bring in water only in unopened containers.

SAFETY INFORMATION

• The following are prohibited: weapons, drugs, alcoholic beverages, air-horns/noise makers, balloons, silly string, and sales by private vendors.
• Students should not bring coats or bags with them to the commencement ceremonies.
• Once you are seated, locate the nearest exit to your seat.
• Listen carefully and follow instructions which may be issued by the Master of Ceremonies, a BISD police officer, or a security officer.
• Pay particular attention to the safety of any elderly person or person with disabilities.
• If directed to evacuate the Sams Memorial Stadium, please relocate as directed and remain in place until you have been given the “all-clear” by a public authority.
• If necessary, seek assistance from a uniformed police officer or designated security officer.
• Metal Detectors will be utilized at various entrances to the stadium.
Ramses Linan
Valedictorian

Emmanuel Margarito Salazar
Salutatorian

Estrella Farid Lozano
Honor

Top 10 Graduates
Zonia Yizmailla Garza-Garcia
Katelyn Marie Espinoza
Noe Reyna
Diego Lazaro Fonseca
Natalie Garcia
Cassandra Leigh De Leon
Dora Ercilia Figueroa

Principal ........................................ Aimee Garza-Limon
Assistant Principal ........................... Diana Guerrero
Counselors ................................. Deborah Ross and Lorraine Alvarez
Senior Class President ................. Hussen Nauradien Hussen
Class Sponsor ................................. Claudia G. Guerra
2020 Top 10 Graduates

Anna Karen Ramos
Valedictorian

Anakin Jay Martinez
Salutatorian

Fernando Daniel Montanaro
Honor
George Alexandre
Printz Zamfir

Rebekah
Panganiban Modesto

Jafet Raziel
Ramirez

Avery Elise
Vilano

Andrea Patricia
Rodriguez

Rebekah Danielle
Schlatter

Jesus Guillen Jr

Principal...........................Blanca E. Lambarri
Dean of Instruction .........................Juan Carlos Chávez
Assistant Principals....David Cantu, Margarita Fuentes, Rafael Garcia, Antonio Ordaz, Jr., and Gloria V. Garcia
Counselors ...........................Daniel Brama, Vanessa Chavez, Raquel Cisneros, Jeannette Fennimore, Becky I. Grist, Miriam Ontiveros, Iris Perales, and Fernando Perez
CTE Career Placement Officer.........................Maria Alicia Rocha
Senior Class President...............Cruz Emanuel Fernandez
Student Council President.......Lyllian Calvillo
Class Sponsor..............................Vanessa Chaves
Johana Fuentes
Valedictorian

Julissa Perales
Salutatorian

Ricardo Davila
Honor

Lopez Lobos
2020 Top 10 Graduates
David Martinez

Amanda Pardo

Esmeralda Delgado

Anna Solitaire

Francisco Reyes

Frida Cantu

Hector Salinas

Principal...........................Dahlia Aguilar
Dean of Instruction............................Michelle Garcia
Assistant Principals................Sara Alanis, Felix Garcia, Maria Lepre, Cesar Murillo, and Griselda Villarreal-Martinez
Counselors .....................Angela Abete, Angelita Garcia, Lynda Garcia, Jaquelynn Touchet, Rosa Villarreal, and Gloria Zapata
CTE Career Placement Officer..........Ernesto Lopez
Senior Class President......................David Martinez
Class Sponsor..............................Viridiana Arredondo
Nia-Isabella Garza  
Valedictorian

Mariana Mijangos
Salutatorian

Carolina Adriana Navarrete Ortega
Honor

2020 Top 10 Graduates
Assistant Superintendent/Interim Principal.........................Dr. Timothy E. Cuff
Dean of Instruction .................................Lisa M. Howell
Assistant Principals.................................Refugio Contreras, Carla Gonzalez-Lopez, Melissa Quiroz, Erica Ureste, and Sonia Villalon
Counselors ...............Elva Compean-Ramirez, Araceli Del Angel-Garcia, Zoila Elizondo, Julio Garay, Lorraine Garza, Adriana Lopez, and Jessica Cantu
CTE Career Placement Officer..............Servando Velasquez
Senior Class Co-Presidents.......................Hector I. Reyes and Mariana Mijangos
Student Council President.................Luis A. Quiros
Class Sponsor.........................Miriam V. Torres

Kasia Alexandra Molina
Preetika Milinda Bauskar
Emily Rose Arizpe
Matthew Jon Hernandez
Katherine Diana Beltran
Alberto Javier Perez, Jr
Andrik Lira
2020 Top 10 Graduates

Gladys Porter Early College High School

Rodrigo Cisneros
Valedictorian

Rolando Carlos
Salutatorian

Azalia Teresa Hernandez Gamez
Honor
Natalie Garcia  Joana Berenice Contreras  Sara Gutierrez

Estrella Medellin-Alcala  Luis Alberto Landin-Rodriguez  Clarissa Puentes  Jannie Garcia

Principal.........................Mary Solis
Dean of Instruction .........................Erika Medina
Assistant Principals..............Jesus Galarza, Careli Garza, Julian Morales, Dr. Orfa Rodriguez Blanco, and Alicia Dominguez
Counselors...............Jordan Castanon, Margarita Galvan, Stefanie Ibarra, Laura Moore, Vanessa Garcia, Monica Olvera-Rivera, and Bertha Lopez Martinez
CTE Career Placement Officer.......................Adriana Leal
Senior Class President.....................Estrella Medellin
Student Council President...............AliyahQuiroz
Class Sponsors............................Rolando Gil and Jessica Trevino
Simón Rivera ECHS

RAIDERS

2020 Top 10 Graduates

Vianca Citlali Flores
Valedictorian

Letycia Sanchez
Salutatorian

Alexis Marie Peterson
Honor
Sophia Michelle Martinez-Badillo
Mercy Gabriella Ramirez
Maximiliano Guadalupe Uvalle
Fernando Castaneda
Esteban Rodriguez
Valerie Velazquez
Rene Hernandez

Principal......................................Norma Jean Canales
Dean of Instruction ..........................Roberta G. Sterling
Assistant Principals..... Miguel Cordova, Danny De Leon, Noe Guerrero, Sonja Corona-Ramirez, Norma Ponce, and Rodrigo Lopez
Counselors ....................................Delia Abrego, Cindy Elizondo, Ana Ibarra, Laura Longoria,
                                      Sherry Negrete-Salazar, Jose Serrato, and Gracie Suarez
CTE Career Placement Officer.........................Abigail Hernandez
Senior Class President..........................Daniela Villagran
Class Sponsor....................................Cynthia Sierra
Hanna Jordan Edelstein  
Valedictorian

Lauren Ryleign Oliveira  
Salutatorian

Nathaniel Royz Ruiz  
3rd Honor Student

2020 Top 10 Graduates
Barbara Liliana Escobedo
Alejandro Andres Cisneros
Ariel Ivan Villanueva
Carlos Leonardo Rodriguez
Jessica Araceli De La Garza
Brian Josue Barreda
Cristian Gabriel Holloway

Principal.........................................Dr. Linda Gallegos
Assistant Principals........Cynthia Garza, Josie Montes, Patricia Rodriguez, Gamaliel Salazar, and Hilda Soto
Dean of Instruction.................................Hadassah Hernandez
Counselors........................................ Laura Torres, Brianna Arteaga, Isabel Granado-Perez,
                                            Anna P. Saenz, Ceci Hobbs, and Mariana Figueroa
CTE Career Placement Officer........Sandra Soto
Senior Class President.........................Ania Laguna
Class Sponsor.....................................Francisco Salazar
Noble Brownsville Early College High May your orange and blue forever fly Your loyal sons and steadfast daughters Give this pledge to our Alma Mater.

Unfurl our banner of orange and blue Scorpions are resolute and true Our thirst for knowledge, unrequited In dignity we stand united

Armed with honor and integrity May all our deeds pay tribute to thee Alma Mater we hail with pride Brownsville Early College High

Hail to thee, our Alma Mater Hail to Hanna High Hail to thee, our Alma Mater May your colors fly So to thee our best endeavors. We will always strive Hail to thee, our Alma Mater Hail to Hanna High!

We’ll be true to our Colors And Lopez High We’ll unite and stand with honor, We’ll defend our hold on the Blue and Gold That’s our Goal; Lead us to Victory With the Lopez pride On our side That’s our Goal; lead us to Victory
Pace Alma Mater, now let us praise Glory and Honor shall be thine always, long may your colors fly bright and true before us. Green and White shall reign all victorious.

Hail Porter High School, Stand we now for thee, we proudly pledge our faith, our love, and loyalty. So, to your colors of Blue and White we sing, and forever Porter High, Our praises loudly ring

Hail to Rivera High School
May your colors ever fly
Your history by glorious
And your march victorious
So to you Rivera High School
We pledge our loyalty
We’ll always strive to be
The best for thee
A Raider from Rivera High.

Hail to you, Veteran’s High, you’ve become our home... Veteran’s High, hear our song, help us to be strong... As we see all our dreams, guide us to those dreams... We shall strive to succeed, with our humble deeds... You’re our home, we’re your own, Hail to Vete-ran’s High.
MISSION
Brownsville Independent School District will graduate students who are prepared to excel in higher education and successfully pursue career opportunities in a changing global society by maximizing resources to ensure equitable opportunities for all students.

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