



South Central
COLLEGE

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY
Thursday, May 9, 2024
Dr. Annette Parker Presiding

Greeting/Announcements	Brian Tiegs, Director of Human Resources
Processional	Minnesota Orchestra
Welcome	Judy Endres, Vice President of Student Affairs
Color Guard	Boy Scout Troop 4
National Anthem	Dr. Amy Magnus, English Instructor
President's Address and Introductions	Dr. Annette Parker, President
Minnesota State Board of Trustees Greeting	Christopher Richter, Minnesota State Board Trustee
Commencement Address	Dr. Scott Olson, Minnesota State Chancellor
Student Poem Reading	Victoria Robinson, 2024 Graduate
Student Remarks	Tracy Wuddah, 2024 Graduate
Outstanding Alumni (Posthumous)	Adam Finseth, Burnsville SWAT Medic, 2012 Graduate
Awarding of Posthumous Honorary Degree	Dr. Annette Parker, President Honorary Doctor of Laws Awarded to Adam Finseth
Recognition of Honor Graduates and Military Service Recognition	Laura Attenberger, Vice President of Academic Affairs
Presentation of Candidates	Judy Endres, Vice President of Student Affairs
Recognition of Candidates	Laura Attenberger, Vice President of Academic Affairs
Conferring of Degrees, Diplomas, and Certificates	Dr. Annette Parker, President
Closing Remarks	Dr. Annette Parker, President
Recessional	

Grand Marshal / Mace Bearer	Amy Brown, Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year
Faculty Marshals	Mark Wehe, Faribault Campus Tracy Murphy, North Mankato Campus
Academic Procession Marshals	Angie James, Abbey Lane, Dr. Matthew J. Leisen, Nik Proehl, Andrea Rossow

Congratulations to the Graduates



Graduates,

On this special day, we, the faculty, staff and administration of South Central College, extend our congratulations for all you have accomplished.

Each of you came to South Central College with different goals. Some of you chose a program that would prepare you for a career in your chosen field immediately following graduation. Others pursued a program with plans to transfer to a 4-year institution after receiving your 2-year associate's degree here today. And some of you will do both! Whatever your goal, you can be proud of all you have achieved.

Many students and graduates tell us that attending South Central College opened up their hearts and minds to future educational possibilities. Indeed, learning is lifelong and we at South Central College are proud of our role in helping motivate you toward further education, whether it be on the job or in the classroom.

Education drives success. Providing the resources you need to succeed has and will continue to be our primary goal. A few years ago, South Central College was selected to participate in Achieving the Dream, a nationwide network of more than 300 institutions of higher education in 45 states dedicated to student success. As an Achieving the Dream college, South Central College instructors, staff and administrators implemented a number of success-driven initiatives with the goal of making a difference “Just 1 More” student at a time. Despite challenges brought on by the pandemic, South Central College has been successful with these measures. In 2021, based on data indicating that SCC's Student Success measures began to close achievement gaps, we were named a Leader College by Achieving the Dream.

As you walk across the stage today, know that for all of us at South Central College, you are the realization of this dream and we could not be prouder of you! Please know that the supportive atmosphere you experienced as a student will continue beyond graduation. You are a member of the SCC family, and I encourage you to create connections with others who have graduated from South Central College through our Alumni Network.

Congratulations again on the achievement we are celebrating here today and the many successes that await you in the future. I look forward to hearing about the positive impact you are having on your communities in the years to come.

With much admiration,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dr. Annette Parker". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

Dr. Annette Parker

South Central College President

Minnesota State Board of Trustees Representative



Christopher Richter

Minnesota State Trustee

Christopher Richter, Owatonna, has served on the Board of Trustees since 2023. Chris attends South Central College and is earning his Associate of Arts degree today. He plans to continue his studies as an engineering major. He served as the Student Senate President at South Central College, where he advocated for students' basic needs at the state and federal level. Chris also has experience working with student life to connect with students and help provide a comforting atmosphere for all students.

Governor Tim Walz appointed Richter to the Board of Trustees on September 16, 2023. His term ends on June 30, 2025.

Commencement Speaker



Dr. Scott Olson

Minnesota State Chancellor

Prior to his appointment as chancellor, Dr. Scott Olson served as president of Winona State University (MN) from 2012 to 2023. Under his leadership, and through the hard work of the faculty, staff, and administration, Winona State earned a reputation for academic excellence and became known for delivering high rates of student success. The university appeared in several regional rankings including the “Top 40 institutions in the Midwest” by U.S. News, the “Best Colleges in the Midwest” by the Princeton Review, and several others.

Throughout his 20-year career in the Minnesota State system, Chancellor Olson has been a leader in major strategic initiatives, including development of the Centers of Excellence, transfer pathways, NextGen, and Equity 2030. He is an advocate for both system-level solutions and the need for campus autonomy to meet local needs.

Chancellor Olson is also known as a strong advocate for advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion. Under his leadership at Winona State, the university increased enrollment of students of color by 95 percent, cut outcome gaps almost in half, and achieved the highest success rates of students of color among the colleges and universities of Minnesota State.

Other highlights of his tenure at Winona State include the completion of several strategic initiatives, including Education Village, a multi-year capital project to provide integrated, flexible, state-of-the-art learning and teaching spaces for students, teachers and school professionals; co-hosting the Winona Mini-Session of the Minnesota House of Representatives; and the Leading Energy Savings & Sustainability (LESS) initiative, a \$12 million campus-wide project that addressed \$7.5 million in deferred maintenance, and will save \$26 million over the project's lifetime.

Prior to his appointment to WSU, Dr. Olson served Minnesota State University, Mankato as provost and vice president for academic and student affairs from 2003 to 2012. He also served the Minnesota State system office as interim vice chancellor for academic and student affairs for 13 months from 2010 to 2011. Previous engagements include Ball State University (IN) between 1998 and 2003, and Central Connecticut State University between 1985 and 1998.

Chancellor Olson holds a bachelor's degree, a master's degree, and a doctorate from Northwestern University (IL).

Outstanding Alumni



Adam Finseth

Outstanding Alumni Award Recipient
AAS in Intensive Care Paramedic Technician
2012 Graduate

Adam Loren Finseth tragically passed away in the line of duty on February 18, 2024.

Adam was born in Faribault but moved to Rochester at a young age. He found his calling in high school when his friend got into an accident while they were snowboarding together. Adam didn't hesitate for a second to care for his friend during his recovery.

Adam joined the Army shortly after 9/11. He completed two tours in Iraq, spending 12 months during his first tour and 15 months on his second tour. He achieved the rank of Staff Sergeant and became a squad leader. He was incredibly brave and courageous during both tours. He was a true leader that always made sure to protect his soldiers and made everyone feel strong too.

Right before Adam left for his first deployment, he met Tara. Adam and Tara were married on July 24, 2009, just 8 months after Adam came home from his second tour in Iraq. They purchased a home in Savage and added their pets, Harley and Dwight, to their family. Four years later, they were blessed with their two children, Liam and Nora.

Shortly after getting married, Adam earned his Paramedic degree from South Central College, where he graduated in 2012 with high honors. He then went on to receive his Fire Science degree. He served time with Allina and North Memorial as a street medic and earned his first firefighter-paramedic job with the Lacrosse Fire Department in 2014. He then continued his career with the Hastings Fire Department and finally the Burnsville Fire Department. Adam also dedicated 6 years to the Savage Fire Department while working on the Hastings and Burnsville Fire Departments. Adam earned his dream job with the Burnsville Fire Department in February 2019, where he planned to finish his fire fighter-paramedic career. Adam joined the SWAT team in Burnsville as one of their two SWAT medics. He loved his work and although he was very humble about all his accomplishments, he was also very proud.

When Adam wasn't working, he could be found spending time with his family, attending school and sports activities, doing house and yard work, helping the neighbors, keeping in touch with all of his lifelong friends, working out, enjoying a soak in the hot tub with a cigar and good glass of bourbon and spending time outdoors and on the water. He enjoyed family vacations, including a recent cruise to Aruba, where Adam and Tara spent their honeymoon in 2009. He enjoyed taking the family and their dog Rosie out to the Minnesota Horse and Hunt Club to share his love of hunting with them. Just this winter, he introduced his son and daughter to snowboarding.

Past Outstanding Alumni Recipients

1989: Bill Bresnan, Electronics 1953
1990: Daniel Smith, Commercial Art 1976
1991: Margaret Remiger, Sales & Marketing 1975 and Stan Christ, Sales & Marketing 1979
1992: James Brown, Sales & Marketing 1971
1993-1999: Award not given
2000: Bonnie Barrer, Sales & Marketing 1981 and Sandy Nichols, Nursing (LPN) 1982
2001: Lorin Krueger, Electronics 1976; Rob Colby, Electronics 1974; and Mary Riach, Accounting 1986
2002: Dennis Siemer, Electronics 1960 and Jeanne Schoenbauer, Nursing (LPN) 1970
2003: Marilyn (Keltgen) Baker, Computer Careers 2001 and Tom Trnka, Carpentry 1977
2004: Larry Kuyper, Sales & Marketing 1977 and Steven Schmidt, Carpentry 1976
2005: Cathy Riley, Sales & Marketing 1979 and Adam Draheim, Computer Integrated Machining 1997
2006: Doug Laven, Electronics Technology 1993 and Marnie Whillock, Sales & Marketing 1979
2015: Jan Downs, Secretarial 1976; Jim Downs, Sales & Marketing 1977; and Mike Gramse, Machining 1968
2016: Julie Nelson, Secretarial 1976 and Brad Breyer, Accounting 1978
2017: Brian Stark Commercial and Technical Art/Graphics 1983 and Marty Benes, Accounting 1991
2018: Daniel Kaiser, Architectural Drafting 1978 and Mike Bauer, Carpentry 1982
2019: Marvin Bartlett Welding, HVAC/R, Electronics Technology, Computer Software Specialist 1988 and Jason DeMars, Machine Tool Tech. 1994
2020: Award not given
2021: Brian Mayo, Machine Tool Technology 1997 and Katrina DeYoung-Harper, Professional Nursing 2008
2022: Shari Brostrom, Sales & Marketing 1982 and Kurt Halvorson, Sales & Marketing 2001
2023: Michele Voegelé, Accounting 2001 and Jacob Ward, Marketing Management 2014

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Micah Coatie

Jay Cowles

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Idman Ibrahim

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South Central College Faculty

Fanah Adam, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Sarah Allen, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Luai AlSadiq, MA - George Mason University
Lejla Alvarez, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Laura Attenberger, MS - Minnesota State University, Moorhead
Bradley Augustin, MED - University of Minnesota Twin Cities
Nasir Awill, MS - University of Northern Colorado
Candace Ballstadt, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Bonnie Barnhardt, MBA - University of Minnesota, Duluth
Terri Baumgartner, BSN - South Dakota State University
Helen Bednar, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Mindy Beert, AAS - Iowa Lakes Community College
Ramona Beiswanger, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Annette Benson, MS - Winona State University
Heather Biedermann, MSLS - Dominican University
Chris Blaisdell, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Luke Blakesley, DIP - South Central College
William Block, DIP - Ridgewater College
Nikki Bloom, BAS - South Dakota State University
Kari Bluth, MAT - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Daniel Boddy, DIP - South Central College
Sandra Bosch, MS - South Dakota State University
James Brady, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Ben Braswell, MA - Western Governors University
Michelle Bremer, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Shawnae Brodie, AS - South Central College
Dave Brokl, DIP - South Central College
Amy Brown, AAS - South Central College
T.J. Brown, EDD - Minnesota State University, Moorhead
Ryan Brudelic, MS - South Dakota State University
Lisa Burkett, MAT - California University of Pennsylvania
John Burns, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Brian Carlson, MBA - University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
Justin Clifton, BFA - Minneapolis College of Art and Design
Kirstin Cronn-Mills, PHD - Iowa State University
Ethan Dado, MS - University of Minnesota Twin Cities
Eli Depuydt, AAS - South Central College
Kurt Dershem, PHD - Bowling Green State University
Kevin Dick, BAS - University of Wisconsin-Stout
Amy Durand, MA - New Mexico State University
David Edwards, MS - Indiana State University
Dylan Edwards, BA - St. Cloud State University
Brian Eidet, BA - Concordia University

Jennifer Fedder, BS - Winona State University
William Fenske, DBA - Metropolitan State University
Ron Fleischmann, BSED - Martin Luther College
Laurie Forsythe, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Casey Fredrickson, MS - Minnesota State University, Moorhead
Erin Freitag, MA - Saint Marys University of Minnesota
Lisa Gahler, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Sergio Gamarra, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
David Gilmore, MED - University of Minnesota Twin Cities
Alex Goff, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Rita Gomez, MS - Portland State University
Jane Greathouse, MA - Claremont Graduate School
Becky Griebel, BS - South Central College
Brianna Gronholz, MBA - Saint Marys University of Minnesota
Rebecca Gullickson, MS - Minnesota State University, Moorhead
Renee Guyer, MS - Colorado State University
Jordan Hall, DIP - St. Cloud Technical and Community College
Chris Halloran, MPAC - Winona State University
Stacy Hammett, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
James Hanson, MBA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Michael Henderson, PHD - Claremont Graduate School
Justin Hendricksen, AAS - South Central College
Rebecca Herberg, MAT - Bemidji State University
Donald Hermanson, MED - University of Wisconsin-River Falls
Dean Hines, BS - California Polytechnic State University
Matt Holicky, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Heidi Hollerich, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Jordan Holm, MSN - Western Governors University
Lori Hood-Hiller, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Jennifer Hovick, MAT - Saint Marys University of Minnesota
Katie Hueper, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Todd Huxford, DIP - South Central College
Sara Johannes, MS - Metropolitan State University
Kenneth Johnson, MBA - North Dakota State University
Liz Johnson, BAS - Winona State University
Michelle Johnson, MFA - University of Wisconsin-Madison
Sean Jones, DIP - Saint Paul College
Dana Kaplan, MS - Capella University
Kelly Karstad, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Casey Kelly, DNP - Nebraska Methodist College
James Keltgen, MA - College of Saint Scholastica
Hok Kim, PHD - North Carolina State University
Eric Kinsley, BS - Kansas State University

South Central College Faculty

Jeffrey Klutschka, AAS - South Central College
Laurie Kodet Johnson, MSN - Regis University
Jeremiah Kuehne, BA - Bethany Lutheran College
Gene Kuntz, MED - University of Minnesota Twin Cities
Cassandra Labairon, MFA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Douglas Laven, MBA - University of Phoenix
Nathan LeBoutillier, MFA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Tina LeBrun, BS - University of Wisconsin-River Falls
Kimberly Lehrke, MSN - Minnesota State University, Moorhead
Pamela Lehrke, MBA - Concordia University
David Lentz, BS - Iowa State University
Brittany Lutz, BSN - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Amy Magnus, PHD - Case Western Reserve University
Thomas Maldonado, MFA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Marianna Mayo, AAS - South Central College
Anne McElroy Hooper, MSW - University of Michigan - Ann Arbor
Kristina McVicker, BS - South Dakota State University
Andrea Mettler, MSN - Excelsior College
Becky Miller, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Carrie Miller, BT - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Tolga Misirli, PHD - University of Istanbul
Daniel Moldaschel, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Shawna Molloy, MS - University of North Dakota
Tom Moran, DIP - South Central College
Jon Morgan, BS - Bemidji State University
Candace Mortenson-Klimpel, MSN - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Lu Mulder, MFA - Minneapolis College of Art and Design
Holly Munch, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Tracy Murphy, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Shayne Narjes, PHD - Iowa State University
Teresa Neufelder, MS - Chicago Institute of Technology
Heidi Newbauer, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Ellen Nichols, MAT - Smith College
Kristina Nowak, MN - Walden University
Connie Odenthal, MFA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Myron Oftedahl, BS - University of Minnesota Twin Cities
Joseph Olstrom, MPA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Jennifer Ongie Jindra, MSN - Western Governors University
Steve Ostlund, MBA - University of North Dakota
Brittany Otto, MS - American Sentinel University
Ian Pearson, BA - Concordia University
Kevin Peterson, AAS - South Central College

Steven Piroso, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Matthew Priem, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Ashley Priem, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Joan Quam, MS - Western Governors University
Heather Quint, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Jay Ragalie, AAS - South Central College
Denise Reeser, MBA - Southwest Minnesota State University
Roberta Regis, BA - Metropolitan State University
John Reinhard, MFA - University of Michigan - Ann Arbor
Eric Retzlaff
Ashley Riskedahl, BSN - Winona State University
Victor Rivas, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Joel Roggenkamp, MED - University of Minnesota
Tara Rohman, AAS - South Central College
Brent Roiger, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Debra Salmon, MSW - University of St. Thomas
Nathan Sartain, BA - Metropolitan State University
Ashley Sash, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Lisa Schickling, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Jay Schmit, DIP - South Central College
Wayne Schoper, MED - University of Minnesota Twin Cities
Jason Schroeder, BAS - University of Wisconsin-River Falls
Shawn Schroeder, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Jeffrey Schultz, BS - University of Minnesota
Sara Schwartz, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Pamela Schweim, BA - Wayne State College
Deborah Selbach, MFA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Toni Shantz, BAS - Presentation College
John Smith, MA - Saint Marys University of Minnesota
Sarah Snider, MED - University of North Dakota
Cindy Sparrow, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Darci Stanford, MS - South Dakota State University
Susan Steck, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Adam Steinke, AAS - South Central College
Julie Steinke, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Jay Stencil, MS - Vanderbilt University
Todd Stencil, BS - University of Wisconsin-River Falls
Shawn Stoermann, MA - American Public University System
Elizabeth Thompson, DNP - Winona State University
Emily Thompson, MSW - Minnesota State University, Mankato
James Thorne, MS - University of Denver
Pamela Uhlenkamp, BS - University of Minnesota

South Central College Faculty

Linda Van Slyke, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Eric Veldhuisen, AAS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Shannon Volk, DIP - South Central College
Leah Walters, MSN - Capella University
Mark Wehe, MSED - Southwest Minnesota State University
Eric Weller, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Carie Weller, MA - Concordia University
Lucinda Wells, MA - University of Minnesota Twin Cities
Jay Wendelberger, MA - University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Rose Wendinger, MBA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Nathan Wibstad, DIP - South Central College
Sara Wilfahrt, MBA - Southwest Minnesota State University
Jay Winters, DIP - South Central College
Pamela Wolters, BSN - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Amber Wubben, BSN - Rasmussen College
Dawn Wuebker, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Kerry Youso, MED - University of Minnesota Twin Cities
James Zwaschka, DIP - South Central College

Academic Regalia

The gowns, hoods, and caps that are worn in the processional stem from centuries of academic tradition. Not only do they lend color and dignity to this occasion, they also serve to identify the wearers by indicating their field of specialty and by marking their level of achievement.

Gowns are traditionally black with straight, open sleeves for associate or bachelor's degrees while a closed sleeve with a slit denotes a master's degree. Those who have a doctorate degree are recognized by the velvet trimmings on the front facings of the gown and by the crossbars on the sleeves.

A hood or cowl is worn by all graduates who have earned master's degree or higher. Hoods are also worn by faculty. The length will vary with the level of academic achievement, with longer hoods representing higher degree awards. The colors and style on the outer portion represent the colors of the institution conferring the degree. The color and style of the lining indicates the area of study.

Agriculture	Maize	Home Economics	Maroon	Philosophy	Dark Blue
Architecture.....	Blue Violet	Journalism, Communications.....	Crimson	Physical Education	Sage Green
Arts, Letters, Humanities	White	Law	Purple	Public Administration,	
Commerce, Accounting, Business.....	Drab	Library Science	Lemon	Including Foreign Service	Peacock Blue
Dentistry.....	Lilac	Medicine, Hospital		Public Health.....	Salmon Pink
Economics	Copper	Administration	Kelly Green	Science, Physics	Golden Yellow
Education.....	Light Blue	Music.....	Pink	Social Work	Citron
Engineering.....	Orange	Nursing	Apricot	Theology	Scarlet
Fine Arts	Brown	Oratory (Speech)	Silver Gray	Veterinary Science.....	Gray
Forestry.....	Russet	Pharmacy.....	Olive Green		

Caps are traditionally black mortarboards with a colorful tassel. South Central College has chosen antique gold tassels for all areas of study. Faculty wear a black tassel and those who have earned a doctoral degree may wear a tam. South Central College would like to thank the Student Senates for funds that make it possible for us to provide each graduate with a complimentary cap and gown.



Photographs will be available about 2-3 weeks after the event for viewing, downloading, and printing at southcentral.edu/graduation

The printed commencement program is a ceremonial publication. The program is not intended to be an official representation of college records. The use of this program to signify completion of a South Central College degree is strictly prohibited.

Every effort has been made to ensure accuracy and completeness. We apologize for any omissions, misspellings, or misplaced names.

Academic Procession

South Central College introduces the commencement exercises with the traditional academic procession. The procession is led by the Outstanding Faculty Member, President, Vice Presidents, Deans, other stage guests and faculty, followed by the candidates.

The Outstanding Faculty Member will lead the procession carrying a mace. The mace is a symbol for two critical matters; it stands for the freedom to seek and teach the truth and for the authority of the college. The mace symbolizes that South Central College must protect and foster these educational values and ideals. Our mace was handcrafted by President Emeritus Keith Stover, who served South Central College from 1999-2013.

The President wears a medallion around the neck. The medallion is an age old tradition representing the chain of office in educational institutions. Each chain of the medallion is as unique as the institution it represents. South Central College's medallion is made from Vetter Stone, with a chain featuring the names of South Central College's leadership from the institution's inception. Links on one side represent Faribault campus leadership and on the other North Mankato campus leadership. They join in the middle beginning with Dr. Kenneth Mills who served both campuses when they merged in 1995.

Honors

Honor graduates receive academic medallions, worn around their neck on ribbons that indicate their academic standing based on Fall 2023:

- * Honors (3.3 - 3.49 GPA): The graduate wears a medallion with white ribbon.
- ** High Honors (3.5 - 3.79 GPA): The graduate wears a medallion with silver ribbon.
- *** Highest Honors (3.8 - 4.0 GPA): The graduate wears a medallion with gold ribbon.

Phi Theta Kappa

The purpose of Phi Theta Kappa is to recognize and encourage scholarships among two-year college students. To achieve this purpose, Phi Theta Kappa provides the opportunity for the development of leadership and service, for an intellectual climate for exchange of ideas and ideals, for lively fellowship for scholars, and for stimulation of interest in continuing academic excellence.

South Central College students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.3 or above, with at least 12 completed semester credits, to be invited to join one of our Phi Theta Kappa chapters. Honorees wear blue and gold honor cords and gold PTK stoles during the commencement ceremony.

- ◆ Phi Theta Kappa Membership

Outstanding Student Leaders

Student Leadership and Success is vital to a Community College. Student Organizations and the Leadership Learning Community (LLC) are dedicated to building leaders who make a better world. Students who went above and beyond by getting involved with clubs and organizations wear commencement stoles and cords to represent their leadership. Some of these are listed below:

DECA	Cord: Blue and White Tied	Stole: Blue with Logo
Dental Assisting Club	Cord: Lavender	
Diversity Club	Cord: Silver, Teal, and Lavender	
Leadership Learning Community	Cord: Navy and Silver	Stole: Navy and Silver
Professional Agricultural Students (PAS)	Cord: Green and White	Stole: Green with White Trim
Rotoract	Cord: Rose-Pink	
Skills USA	Cord: White and Red Double	Stole: White
Student Nurses Association	Cord: White and Red Twisted	Stole: White with Red Trim
Student Senate	Cord: White and Gold Twisted	Stole: White with Gold Trim
TRIO Leadership	Cord: Red and Black Twisted	

Candidates for Certificates

	Devon T. Almich , Gaylord, Welding		Madison Lee Hale , Glencoe, Early Childhood Education
	Sarah Alotaibi , Rochester, Early Childhood Education	*	Rhys M. Hanson , St. Peter, Welding
	Veronica Alvarez , LeSueur, Early Childhood Education		Kirk Andre Harrison , Faribault, Mechatronics Industrial Maintenance
***	Delilah Anne Angeles , Mankato, Agronomy	***	Landon Hatfield , Faribault, Welding
	Kallie Margaret Aust , Mankato, Early Childhood Education	*	Alexis Rayann Hayden , Owatonna, Early Childhood Education
***	Macy J. Barrington , Waseca, Early Childhood Education		Tyler Heintz , Faribault, Welding
	Trent Bauer , Faribault, Welding	***	Nicole M. Helget , North Mankato, Computer Assistant
*	Joel Bice , Faribault, Welding		Zachary Michael Hermanson , St. Peter, Ag Chemical Applicator Technician, Agronomy, Sustainable Microfarming
	Thomas Anthony Blair , North Mankato, Welding		James G. Hoisington , Faribault, Welding
	Robyn Block , Good Thunder, Welding		Bruce Hougo , Cannon Falls, Welding
	Tyler Norma Boutin , Vernon Center, Computer Assistant	**	Jacob Avald Howard , Saginaw, MI, Mechatronics Industrial Maintenance
	Taylor Rose Breimhorst , Shakopee, Early Childhood Education		Aaron Osbaldo Huerta Mata , Faribault, Welding
	Andon E. Bruss , Marshall, Welding	***	Brian Matthew Timothy Husnick , Minneapolis, Mechatronics Industrial Maintenance
	Luke C. Bunde , Madison Lake, Welding		Abdiwaasa Mohamed Hussein , Faribault, Welding
	Trever S. Clarke , Owatonna, Welding		Asha Ibrahim , Mankato, Early Childhood Education
**	Katee Clough , Rochester, Sustainable Microfarming		Roberto Iriarte , Faribault, Welding
	Cecilia Annamarie Collins , Sleepy Eye, Early Childhood Education		Priscila Annel Johnson , Gainesville, TX, Early Childhood Education
*	Brittany Lynn Comnick , Good Thunder, Early Childhood Education		Joshua Jones , Farmington, Welding
	Hunter Joseph Conrad , Morristown, Agronomy		Sevin Kane , Faribault, Welding
	Samuel Ray Dahl , Faribault, Welding	***	Ibraheem Farah Hamza Khalifa , Rushford, Mechatronics Industrial Maintenance
***	William Ethan Dempster , Mankato, Advanced Agriculture Technician		Ryan Richard Klatt , Faribault, Phlebotomy
	Mathew Wade Dettling , Nerstrand, Welding		Samuel Koivisto , Duluth, Welding
**	Emma Jean Dienst , Faribault, Welding	*	Konnor Korbitz , Montgomery, Welding
**	Dylan Doyen , Good Thunder, Professional Swine Manager		Ryder Kos , New Prague, Computer Assistant
***	Seth Eaton , Waseca, Welding	*	Brian Larsen , North Mankato, Agronomy
*	Tina Elliott , North Mankato, Early Childhood Education	***	Kimberlee Luiken , North Mankato, Administrative Office Specialist - Business Software, Administrative Office Specialist - Client Relations
***	Kaden Peter Ernst , Northfield, Agronomy		Zachary M. Lundstrom , New Ulm, Welding
	Matthew Friesen , Faribault, Welding		Bailie A. MacIntosh , Owatonna, Administrative Office Specialist - Business Software
	Sofhia I. Garcia , New Ulm, Phlebotomy	***	Chase Magaard , Murdock, Agronomy
**	Brian Joseph Hahn , LeSueur, Geographic Information Systems		Johnnie K. Maples III , Mankato, Welding

Candidates for Certificates

	Brittany Marcucci , Belview, Early Childhood Education		Kaden M. Ryer , Sleepy Eye, Welding
***	Luis Alfredo Martinez-Mendoza , Pipestone, Manufacturing Production Technology	*	Wyatt William Saemrow , Morristown, Agronomy
**	Savannah L. Mattson , Gaylord, Early Childhood Education	***	Jamie Sames , Jordan, Mechatronics Industrial Maintenance
	Jack Maxa , New Prague, Geographic Information Systems	**◆	Melissa Scharpe , Arlington, Early Childhood Education
	Tiffany Maxa , Lakeville, Welding	***◆	Alec Scherer , Mankato, Computer Assistant, Network Administration
	Collin E. Midland , Faribault, Welding	**	Hank Andrew Schleuter , Amboy, Welding
**	Brandon Alois Miller , Mankato, Computer Assistant		Betsy Noemi Schmitz , LaSalle, Early Childhood Education
	Keisha Keihanani Moniz-Donald , Lake Crystal, Early Childhood Education		Eric M. Schwamberger , Mankato, Computer Assistant
	Kevin Lilroy Moore , Faribault, Mechatronics Industrial Maintenance	**	Brody Creed Serbus , Arlington, Geographic Information Systems
***	Joseph Mueller , Arlington, Welding	*	Derek Steven Serbus , Ham Lake, Mechatronics Industrial Maintenance
	Matt Murphy , Faribault, Welding		Stephanie Siegfried , Faribault, Computer Assistant
	Keaton C. Okerman , Annandale, Geographic Information Systems		Autumn Sikel , Faribault, Welding
	Colton Ross Page , Minneapolis, Phlebotomy	***	Zachary Smith , Mankato, Advanced Agriculture Technician
***	Izak Patterson , LeSueur, Computer Assistant		Joshua V. Sotelo , Arlington, Welding
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	Melissa Ponce , Windom, Manufacturing Production Technology, Mechatronics Industrial Maintenance	*	Sage Standke , Morristown, Welding
	Wendy Lynn Prantner , Owatonna, Computer Assistant, Web Programmer		Joseph D. Steenhoven , Montgomery, Computer Assistant
	Jacob Price , Sleepy Eye, Welding		August Stemwedel , Garvin, Welding
	Esther Ramirez , St. James, Agronomy	**	Devan D. Stenger , St. Peter, Welding
	Owen Reid , Arlington, Welding	***	Tahakeino Stephen , Mankato, Early Childhood Education
	Jesus Robles , Faribault, Welding		Logan Storm , Faribault, Welding
***	Ronaldo Rodela Rodriguez , Faribault, Computer Assistant		Aiden J. Stowe , Owatonna, Geographic Information Systems
**	Joel Patrick Rodriguez , Fargo, ND, Mechatronics Industrial Maintenance	*	Brady Richard Strodman , Owatonna, Agronomy
	Felix Javier Rodriguez , Morovis, Puerto Rico, Manufacturing Production Technology, Mechatronics Industrial Maintenance	***	Rocco Strouth , Faribault, Welding
	Michelle Isabel Roe , Madelia, Administrative Office Specialist - Business Software, Administrative Office Specialist - Client Relations		Sawyer Lyn Strouth , Faribault, Phlebotomy
	Colten Roiger , Sleepy Eye, Welding	***	Jackson Lyle Swedberg , Savage, Computer Assistant
**	Zachary Rose , Mankato, Computer Assistant	***	Thol Thim , Rochester, Mechatronics Industrial Maintenance
	Chancellor Q. Russell , Waseca, Welding	***	Megan Joy Thrun , Truman, Marketing Management
		*	Jacob A. Tourville , Albertville, Cloud Computing and Virtualization, Computer Assistant

Candidates for Certificates

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- ** **Edna Hayde Tudon M**, Faribault, Early Childhood Education
- Jarryd Tupy**, Prior Lake, Welding
- Isaiah Velarde**, Lonsdale, Computer Assistant
- ** **Makayla Ann Vlasak**, New Prague, Early Childhood Education
- * **Diezel Waldner**, Hayfield, Welding
- James Waltemath**, Faribault, Welding

- Tylor Wissink**, Farmington, Welding
- ** **Jose Raul Yanez**, Mankato, Advanced Agriculture Technician
- Hollie C. Yang**, Maplewood, Payroll Clerk
- *** **Sao Yim Jr.**, Rochester, Mechatronics Industrial Maintenance

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- ** **Braxton Monte Anderson**, Fergus Falls, Intermediate Mechatronics Engineering Technology
- *** **Judd Anderson**, Kilkeny, Welding and Machining Technology
- Cleo Atkins III**, Mankato, Heating-Ventilation-Air Conditioning-Refrigeration - Foundation
- Gavin Barton**, North Mankato, Welding and Machining Technology
- *** **Hannah Ruth Benning**, Minnesota Lake, Early Childhood Education
- *** **Joshua Thomas Benson**, Mankato, Carpentry Diploma
- Jenna J. Birr**, Kasota, Agribusiness Service Technician
- ** **Connor Bohlen**, Waterville, Welding and Machining Technology
- ** **Kyle Dean Briesemeister**, Deephaven, Welding and Machining Technology
- Andon E. Bruss**, Marshall, Welding and Machining Technology
- Kasidy Cacka**, Brownton, Practical Nursing
- Jonathan R. Caron**, Faribault, Heating-Ventilation-Air Conditioning-Refrigeration - Foundation
- ◆ **Nnedimma JaneFrances Chibuzor**, Mankato, Practical Nursing
- Dylan J. Daily**, South St. Paul, Heating-Ventilation-Air Conditioning-Refrigeration - Advanced
- ** **Logan Daniels**, Faribault, Carpentry Diploma
- Jonathan Daschner**, Janesville, Heating-Ventilation-Air Conditioning-Refrigeration - Foundation
- *** **Randilee Dauk**, St. Peter, Practical Nursing

- ***◆ **Luke Nolan Desmarais**, North Mankato, Machine Tool Technology
- Blake C. Duncan**, Faribault, Carpentry Diploma
- *** **Seth Eaton**, Waseca, Welding and Machining Technology
- * **Payton Erickson**, Buffalo, Heating-Ventilation-Air Conditioning-Refrigeration - Advanced
- ** **Ikezela Mireya Estrada**, Mankato, Practical Nursing
- Landen Fahey**, LeSueur, Welding and Machining Technology
- Adrian Farias Farias**, Guzman, Auto Body and Collision Technology
- Jenna Fischer**, Rochester, Practical Nursing
- Angeline Kathryn Gessner**, Mankato, Welding and Machining Technology
- * **Jeremy J. Gilbertson**, Mankato, Welding and Machining Technology
- Tyler Grobner**, Owatonna, Auto Body and Collision Technology
- Jeanne Groothuis**, Mankato, Early Childhood Education
- Alexander Hale**, Mankato, Heating-Ventilation-Air Conditioning-Refrigeration - Foundation
- Riley Drake Haning**, Winnebago, Automotive Service
- Zachary Michael Hermanson**, St. Peter, Farm Production, Management, and Operations
- Andres Antonio Herrera, Jr.**, Fairfax, Carpentry Diploma
- *** **West D. Higgins-Murphy**, Mankato, Heating-Ventilation-Air Conditioning-Refrigeration - Foundation

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- Caiden Fisher Holien**, Mankato, Heating-Ventilation-Air Conditioning-Refrigeration - Foundation
- * **Ayden Hutchens**, Lake Crystal, Agribusiness Service Technician
- *** **Elias Jacobusse**, Clarks Grove, Machine Tool Technology 1-Year Diploma
- *** **Daniel J. Jirik**, Faribault, Intermediate Mechatronics Engineering Technology
- ***♦ **Caleb Spencer Johnson**, Owatonna, Intermediate Mechatronics Engineering Technology
- Robert O. Johnson**, North Mankato, Auto Body and Collision Technology
- Bryant Lee Karstens**, New Ulm, Automotive Service
- **♦ **Fatemah Khaliif**, Mankato, Practical Nursing
- Caleb Thomas Kimmes**, Hastings, Farm Production, Management, and Operations
- ** **Zachary D. Kramer**, Vesta, Heating-Ventilation-Air Conditioning-Refrigeration - Advanced
- ** **Gavin M. Krantz**, Madison Lake, Machine Tool Technology 1-Year Diploma
- * **Dylan John Krueger**, Fairfield, IA, Agriculture and Diesel Service Technician
- Kassidy Larsen**, Madelia, Practical Nursing
- Rya Lehan**, Hutchinson, Practical Nursing
- Gatwech Reat Lony**, Mankato, Automotive Service
- Tylar Malakowsky**, Hartland, Agribusiness Service Technician
- *** **Charles Malecha**, Prior Lake, Machine Tool Technology 1-Year Diploma
- McKayla Malvin**, Mankato, Practical Nursing
- McKenna M. Malvin**, Lake Crystal, Practical Nursing
- *** **Riley Mason**, Faribault, Carpentry Diploma
- **♦ **Gregory M. Maurstad**, Ogema, Welding and Machining Technology
- Sabir Mohamed**, Mankato, Machine Tool Technology
- *** **Ari Mousel**, Northfield, Intermediate Mechatronics Engineering Technology
- Ava Nee**, Somerset, WI, Intensive Care Paramedic Technician
- ** **Brecken A. Northquest**, Lake Crystal, Machine Tool Technology 1-Year Diploma
- Chase M. Oachs**, Mankato, Accounting Assistant
- *** **Daniel Christopher Olson**, North St. Paul, Machine Tool Technology
- *** **Joshua Richard Opatrny**, Northfield, Intermediate Mechatronics Engineering Technology
- ** **Ella Mae Oraskovich**, Faribault, Accounting Assistant
- Alexander James Rhodes**, Owatonna, Carpentry Diploma
- ** **Spencer J. Rieke**, Lafayette, Networking Services
- Kendall Ann Rotchadl**, North Mankato, Machine Tool Technology 1-Year Diploma
- ** **Sean Roulo**, Faribault, Intermediate Mechatronics Engineering Technology
- * **Gary Shappell**, Mankato, Heating-Ventilation-Air Conditioning-Refrigeration - Foundation
- Tyreisha Smith**, Joliet, IL, Welding and Machining Technology
- Sarah Nicole Spears**, Owatonna, Practical Nursing
- *** **Austin Stauffer**, Winnebago, Machine Tool Technology 1-Year Diploma
- *** **Griffin Steward**, Faribault, Carpentry Diploma
- Natalia Storojuc**, Moldova, Practical Nursing
- * **Brady Richard Strodtman**, Owatonna, Agribusiness Production
- *** **Elsa Renae Strom**, LeSueur, Practical Nursing
- Hope Marie Swee**, Rochester, Practical Nursing
- *** **Noah Bradley Tenney**, Fairmont, Auto Body and Collision Technology
- * **Hayley Torgerson**, Forest Lake, Practical Nursing
- Hector Torres**, St. Peter, Auto Body and Collision Technology
- ** **Edna Hayde Tudon M**, Faribault, Early Childhood Education
- Michael VanRavenhorst**, Janesville, Welding and Machining Technology
- * **Madisen Jean Veith**, Mankato, Practical Nursing
- **♦ **Ramon Vera**, Mankato, Machine Tool Technology
- ** **Franklin LaVonne Florence Vermeersch**, Mankato, Machine Tool Technology
- Luis Daniel Vidal**, Faribault, Auto Body and Collision Technology
- *** **Jacob Daniel Weeks**, Faribault, Carpentry Diploma
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- *** **Danielle Esther Abbe**, Owatonna, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- * **Yasir Mohamed Abdi**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Abdimutalib Abdullahi**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Bamlak Sintayehu Abera**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Yemima Abraham**, Addis Ababa, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ***♦ **John Maurice Aho**, North Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ***♦ **Carter John William Anderson**, Elk River, Economics Transfer Pathway
- *** **Delilah Anne Angeles**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Griselda Avalos**, Nerstrand, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Namita Basnet**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Owen Beardsley**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Brooke Behsman**, Cleveland, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- * **Ty Arthur Below**, Waseca, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- * **Maci Bongers**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Morgan Borchert**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Alexis Bottke**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ***♦ **Alicia Brunson**, Nicollet, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Jaedyn M. Bussewitz**, Clayton, WI, Liberal Arts and Sciences
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- John Cuzzo**, St. Paul, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Abdinasir Dahir**, Owatonna, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Victoria Catherine Dammann**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Brittany A. Davis**, St. Peter, Liberal Arts and Sciences
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- ** **Toriinlee J. Dokken**, Minnesota Lake, Liberal Arts and Sciences
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- Cassandra Doyle**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Brianna R. Enriquez**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- *** **Hannah I. Erkkila**, Savage, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- *** **David Robert Evans**, North Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
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- Maegan Good**, St. Clair, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- *♦ **Iris Athenea Guerrero-Avila**, Buffalo, TX, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Breanna Marie Hagen**, St. Peter, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Ella Halpern**, Coon Rapids, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- *** **Denae Hamre**, Beltrami, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- *** **Courtney Harmdierks**, Albert Lea, Liberal Arts and Sciences
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- Rita L. Jones**, Madison, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Tibeb Alemu Jotie**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences

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- Katlyn Katra**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
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- *** **Ava Koens**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
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- Gretchen R. Krahn**, Mantorville, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- *** **Nathan Lang**, North Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Justene Lyn Larsen**, Redwood Falls, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- **♦ **Chloe Leif**, New Ulm, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- * **Rileigh E. Lemke**, New Prague, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Jolene Levi**, Mazeppa, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Courtney Lynn Lewis**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Keagen Lines**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Megan Loechler**, Robbinsdale, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Kendahl M. Loeffler**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ***♦ **Grace Loffler**, New Prague, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- *♦ **Jordyn Renee Macias**, LeSueur, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- McKinley Maker**, North Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Kortney L. Mckenna**, Waterville, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Daniel Medina**, LeCenter, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- McKayla Sengdao Meuangsaksith**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Nicole Faye Meyers**, Bloomington, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Dana L. Miller**, Richmond, VA, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ***♦ **Isabel Grace Miller**, Medford, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Ryan Joseph Miller**, Le Center, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Mohamed Moalim**, Owatonna, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Sabrina Mohamed**, Somalia, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Rabab Mohammed**, North Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Grace I. Moseng**, Lino Lakes, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Elizabeth Muellner**, Duluth, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- **♦ **Ashley Ann Murphy**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Ashely Mussehl**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
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- Brady Michael Narjes**, St. Peter, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Kaitlyn Ann Navara**, Wyoming, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Xochilt Navejas O'Gara**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Jordan Rose Nehring**, Lonsdale, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ♦ **Lucas B. Nelson**, Owatonna, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Jessica R. Nusser**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- *♦ **Paige Elizabeth Olinger**, St. Clair, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Erin L. Olson**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- * **Faith Olson**, Fairmont, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- * **Susana Jailin Orellana**, Mapleton, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Ahmed Abdirizak Oyow**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- *** **Amino Abdirizak Oyow**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- * **Asha Abdirizak Oyow**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Marlo Amelia Paschke**, Princeton, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Elijah Peck**, North Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- *♦ **Anthony Perez**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Ella Potocnik**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Kieran Pounds**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- * **Hailey Prokopec**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Dylan Pudil**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Makayla Quigley**, Osceola, WI, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Casey Lynn Raddatz**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Daniela Ramirez**, St. Peter, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Natalie Lynn Rautio**, North Branch, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Hailey Reuvers**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Madison Reuvers**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Grace Rich**, New Ulm, Liberal Arts and Sciences

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- **◆ **Christopher Nathan Richter**, Owatonna, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Chucknoriss K. Ronoh**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Grace Ellen Roque**, Marshall, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- *** **Jesus Ruiz**, LeCenter, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- * **Reagan Schallau**, Owatonna, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Julia M. Schneller**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Alice Lynn Schroeder**, Montgomery, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Alexander Simon**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- * **Cain Sims**, North Mankato, Communication Studies Transfer Pathway
- Jordan Russell Slama**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Alesha Slegh**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Libertee Laneya Smalley**, LeRoy, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ***◆ **Liberty Sparks**, Waseca, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Kari Lynn Stephas**, North Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- *** **Lauren Stroup**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Jesus Tello III**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences

- *** **Lydia Joy Thormodson**, Hanska, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Pamela L. Thornell**, Brownsville, TX, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Jonathan Tutewohl**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- *** **Kyla Jean Volk**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- * **Abigail Williams**, Litchfield, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ** **Alyse Williamschen**, Kasson, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- * **Hanna Nichole Wilson**, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Grace Withrow**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Matthew George Witty Frank**, Paynesville, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ***◆ **Logan M. Wolters**, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Molly Yocum**, Lake Crystal, Liberal Arts and Sciences
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- Abdulaziz Adam**, Lakeville, Nursing
- *◆ **Mitchell Ades**, Kenyon, Nursing
- Adebayo Adetokunbo Adewunmi Jr.**, Miami, FL, Business Transfer Pathway
- **◆ **Alexandra Benita Adewunmi**, Miami, FL, Business Transfer Pathway
- Elyana P. Alvarez**, Waseca, Early Childhood Education Transfer Pathway
- Mercyline Kerubo Anchinga**, Bloomington, Nursing
- Emilee Mary Anderson**, North Mankato, Nursing
- Chance M. Andrews**, Blue Earth, Business Transfer Pathway
- Mohammed Barento**, Mankato, Business Transfer Pathway
- Yamileth Barrera**, Faribault, Business Transfer Pathway

- Mackenzie Bauer**, Faribault, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway
- ** **Kylan Bjorkquist**, International Falls, Multimedia Technology
- ** **Matthew Andrew Buchanan**, Wayzata, Business Transfer Pathway
- Melissa Jean Carlson**, Mankato, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway
- Alivia Lynn Carmen Coates**, Lake Crystal, Biology Transfer Pathway
- ***◆ **Elizabeth Crandall**, North Mankato, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway
- *** **Emily Christine Dean**, Mankato, Nursing
- * **Hunter DeJong-Caron**, Faribault, Nursing
- Citlali Elizabeth De La Cruz-Almanza**, St. Peter, Business Transfer Pathway
- **◆ **Ann M. Dodge**, St. Peter, Multimedia Technology
- Amy J. Ellickson**, Cleveland, Nursing

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- * Brittney Finger, Faribault, Nursing
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Nicholas Mark Freitag, Morgan, Business Transfer Pathway
- ** Cael B. Friesen, Mankato, Business Transfer Pathway
Ikran Garad, St. Peter, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway
- ** Jaida Elyssa Gehring, Northfield, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway
Johan De Jesus Guadalupe Gomez Mortera, Mankato, Business Transfer Pathway
- ** Nathan Good, Glencoe, Business Transfer Pathway
- * Kortney Rae Gronau, New Ulm, Nursing
- * Amber Haack, Cleveland, Early Childhood Education Transfer Pathway
- ** Amber Jean Hagen, Wells, Nursing
Delvac K. Harrison, Brooklyn Park, Nursing
- * Kierra Highby, Lamberton, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway
Britt Marie Howard, Blue Earth, Nursing
Claire Hruby, Madelia, Nursing
Mohamed Hassan Hussein, St. Peter, Business Transfer Pathway
BreAnn C. Jacobson, New Richland, Nursing
Judy Jepchumba, Mankato, Nursing
- ** Sarah Jepkirui, Mankato, Nursing
Janessa Johnson, Mountain Lake, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway
Melanie Johnson, Le Center, Nursing
- **◆ Nathan W.L. Johnson, Faribault, Business Transfer Pathway
Rita L. Jones, Mankato, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway
April Kolb, Faribault, Nursing
Kendra Kundert, Pine Island, Nursing
Alicia Jean Lankford, Kenyon, Nursing
Ellie Lawrence, Becker, Nursing
- *◆ Hannah R. Localio, Faribault, Multimedia Technology
- * Charity Nyaboake Mabera, Kenya, Nursing
Erika Macedo, Waconia, Nursing
- *** Adelynn Mason, Mankato, Business Transfer Pathway
- * Derick Masongo, Lakeville, Nursing
- * Abdullahi Mohamed Mayow, IFO Refugee Camp, Business Transfer Pathway
- Jennifer Margaret McCabe, Waseca, Business Transfer Pathway
Muhammad McMahan, Mankato, Business Transfer Pathway
Matthew Meier, Blue Earth, Nursing
Dana L. Miller, Richmond, VA, Nursing
- **◆ Esha Mohamed, Rochester, Nursing
Bonareri Moindi W, Mankato, Nursing
Chenille Morales-Valdez, New Brighton, Nursing
- ** Abigail Marie Mueller, Madison Lake, Nursing
Samiya Muhumed, Mankato, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway
Jessica Myrick, Faribault, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway
- * Madeline M. Nelson, New Ulm, Nursing
- ** Gabrielle A. Nesseth, Coon Rapids, Nursing
Jadyn Nessett, Dassel, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway
Kamalie Nieves Romero, Faribault, Business Transfer Pathway
Suleiman Abdi Noor, Mankato, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway
- * Henry O. Oindo, North Mankato, Nursing
Jackline Mokeira Okemwa, Ramsey, Nursing
- ** Cody LeeAllen Olstad, St. Peter, Nursing
- ** Abdirizak Mohamed Omar, Owatonna, Business Transfer Pathway
Daniel Maranga Omare, Bloomington, Nursing
- * Ngozi Evelyn Onyeagba, Lagos, Nigeria, Nursing
- *◆ Kortney Ann Prior, Nerstrand, Nursing
Alejandro Ramirez, Vail, AZ, Nursing
Victoria Amador Torres Robinson, St. Peter, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway
Jennifer Lynn Rodriguez, Granite Falls, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway
Emily Salawu, North Mankato, Nursing
Jessica Schaefer, New Ulm, Nursing
- * Kathryn Nicole Schmitz, St. Joseph, Nursing
Trysta Anne Schuler, Hanley Falls, Nursing
Kayla Seppelt, Lino Lakes, Nursing
Taber Marlyn Sheldrup, Mankato, Agriculture Science and Technology
- ** Leonid R. Simpson, Mankato, Business Transfer Pathway
Ian James Edward Smetana, Mankato, Business Transfer Pathway
- ***◆ Evania Jovita Soehartono, Mankato, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway
Caroline Steinbach, North Mankato, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway

Candidates for Associate of Science Degrees

- ** **Morgan Styke**, Mankato, Business Transfer Pathway
- Victoria Suk**, Rochester, Nursing
- ***♦ **Marco Antonio Sustaita Villa**, LeCenter, Business Transfer Pathway
- * **Charlotte Josephine Swenson**, Waseca, Nursing
- *** **Brianna K. Tauer**, Lake Crystal, Business Transfer Pathway
- Kyla Thomas**, Madelia, Nursing
- Tyler Torres**, Plainview, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway
- *** **Tanna Vanryn**, Waterville, Early Childhood Education Transfer Pathway
- *** **Tori Leeann VanRyn**, Waterville, Early Childhood Education Transfer Pathway
- * **Carli Lynn Vargason**, Dassel, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway

- *** **Dawson Weilage**, Mankato, Business Transfer Pathway
- Emma Wenzel**, Woodbury, Nursing
- Andre Wiese**, Windom, Multimedia Technology
- Heather Pearl Wobschall**, Mapleton, Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway
- Suleyman Mohamed Yakub**, Memphis, TN, Business Transfer Pathway
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- * **Adalee Morgan Abraham**, Mankato, Graphic Communications
- Sara Kaye Allison**, Glenville, Dental Assistant
- Sarah Alotaibi**, Rochester, Family Services Specialist
- *** **Davin F. Alt**, Burnsville, Intensive Care Paramedic Technician
- Veronica Alvarez**, LeSueur, Family Services Specialist
- * **Samuel W. Anderson**, Faribault, Mechatronics Technology
- *♦ **Chandler Apling**, Mankato, Accountant
- Katelyn Mae Arndt**, Owatonna, Early Childhood Education
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- Christian Bach**, Mankato, Marketing Management
- ** **Alexis Barber**, Waseca, Business Management
- Yamileth Barrera**, Faribault, Business Management
- ** **Alex James Bass**, Montgomery, Networking Services
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- Peyton James Bills**, Dodge Center, Civil Engineering Technology

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- ** **Evander Paul Ell**, Morristown, Mechatronics Technology
- **♦ **George Emmanuel-Lieder**, Mankato, Networking Services
- *** **Kaden Peter Ernst**, Northfield, Agribusiness Production
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- **♦ **Jessica Evans**, North Mankato, Graphic Communications
- ** **Enrique Antonio Figueroa**, Faribault, Mechatronics Technology
Juan Najar Figueroa, LeCenter, Civil Engineering Technology
- ***♦ **Michelle A. Fineran**, Lake Crystal, Medical Assistant
Marion Fischer, Baldwin, WI, Dental Assistant
- ** **Hunter Michael Flanigan**, Monticello, Business Management
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- *** **Joshua Gappa**, Janesville, Mechatronics Technology
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Melissa Marie Gens, Nicollet, Early Childhood Education
Ariel Lee Glover, Truman, Agribusiness
Meagan Good, St. Clair, Medical Assistant
- * **Crystal Guerra**, Sleepy Eye, Administrative Office Specialist
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- *** **Darrell Hadley**, Sterling, IL, Mechatronics Technology
- ** **Brian Joseph Hahn**, LeSueur, Civil Engineering Technology
Matthew Edward Haley, Waseca, Auto Body and Collision Technology
Caden Hames, New Ulm, Mechatronics Technology
- ** **Jimmy Hamilton**, Faribault, Mechatronics Technology
- * **Jesse Ian James Hampton**, Faribault, Mechatronics Technology
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- *** **Michael Grant Harker**, Faribault, Mechatronics Technology
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Mohamed Hassan, Mankato, Automotive Service
- ** **MaKayla Hedberg**, Owatonna, Dental Assistant
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Tessa Iverson, Janesville, Business Management
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- *** **Michael P.V. Jaros**, Fergus Falls, Mechatronics Technology
- ***♦ **Brandon Palmer Jensen**, Waterville, Business Management
- *♦ **Matthew L. Jensen II**, Elysian, Mechatronics Technology
- ***♦ **Laura Kristine Jewison**, Janesville, Medical Assistant
- *** **Daniel J. Jirik**, Faribault, Mechatronics Technology
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- Faith Olson**, Fairmont, Dental Assistant
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- Samuel David Olson**, Hopkins, Civil Engineering Technology
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- ** **Brody Creed Serbus**, Arlington, Civil Engineering Technology
- Tyler Shea**, St. Charles, Civil Engineering Technology
- *** **Hannah E. Shumski**, Fairmont, Business Management
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- ** **Macie Sik**, Granite Falls, Dental Assistant
- Diana Y. Simon**, Faribault, Business Management
- *** **Zachary Smith**, North Mankato, Mechatronics Technology
- ** **Isaac D. Sowers**, Vernon Center, Agribusiness Production
- Jasmine Spoor**, Waterville, Culinary Arts
- *** **Rachel Marie Stadick**, New Ulm, Medical Laboratory Technician
- Kayleen M. Stangler**, Waterville, Dental Assistant
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- *** **Kathryne Mary Stelten**, Belle Plaine, Graphic Communications
- *** **Tahakeino Stephen**, Mankato, Family Services Specialist
- *** **Hailey Stoecker**, Owatonna, Medical Assistant
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- ♦ **Kyla Rae Taylor**, Belle Plaine, Dental Assistant
- Jesus Tello III**, Mankato, Culinary Arts
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- ** **Laura M. Thompson**, Mankato, Business Management
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- Isaiah Velarde**, Lonsdale, Information Systems
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- Chu Yee Vue**, Walnut Grove, Automotive Service
- Mason Ward**, St. Clair, Production Agriculture
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- * **Brady Watrin**, Askov, Agribusiness Service Technician
- ** **Miranda Marie Weigel**, New Ulm, Family Services Specialist
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- *** **Lauren Ashley Wiens**, Albany, Architectural Drafting and Design
- Tabitha Willner**, Fairmont, Graphic Communications
- Hanna Nichole Wilson**, Mankato, Dental Assistant
- * **Tristan R. Witte**, Blue Earth, Civil Engineering Technology
- *** **Kaylee Witts**, Pemberton, Graphic Communications
- Garrett John Wradislavsky**, Faribault, Intensive Care Paramedic Technician
- Tracy Wuddah**, Ghana, Culinary Arts
- ** **Shukri Abdullahi Yusuf**, Faribault, Medical Laboratory Technician
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- Samantha Zittel**, North Mankato, Medical Assistant

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 ** High Honors (3.5 - 3.79). The graduate wears a medallion with silver ribbon.
 *** Highest Honors (3.8 - 4.0). The graduate wears a medallion with gold ribbon.
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Mission Statement

South Central College provides an accessible and inclusive learning environment that cultivates student success and advances regional economic development.

Vision Statement

South Central College will be the region's leading institution in preparing students for the global marketplace by creating an inclusive environment and providing academic, technical, and professional resources to pursue their chosen career, educational, and personal goals.

SCC Institutional Core Competencies

Institutional Core Competencies are campus-wide competencies. The assumption is these are taught, supported, practiced, and assessed throughout the curricular and co-curricular programs of the college.

Communication: Students will be able to demonstrate appropriate and effective interactions with others to achieve their personal, academic, and professional objectives.

Critical and Creative Thinking: Students will be able to demonstrate purposeful thinking with the goal of using a creative process for developing and building upon ideas and/or the goal of using a critical process for the analyzing and evaluating of ideas.

Civic Engagement and Social Responsibility: Students will be able to demonstrate the ability to engage in the social responsibilities expected of a community member.

Cultural Competence: Students will be able to demonstrate an attitude of personal curiosity, a rising knowledge of cultures, and an evolving range of skills for living and working among others with other worldviews and ways of life.

South Central College at a Glance

South Central College is a comprehensive community and technical college that is part of the Minnesota State system. The college offers classes at its campuses in Faribault and North Mankato, as well as online.

South Central College's program areas include Agriculture, Arts and Information Technology, Building and Design, Business, Health Sciences, Human Services and Education, Manufacturing, Transportation, Associate of Arts and multiple Transfer Pathway options. The college offers a wide variety of program awards in these areas, which prepare students to begin a rewarding career after graduation, transfer to a 4-year institution to pursue a bachelor's degree, or both.

In addition, South Central College's Customized Workforce Education division provides businesses and professionals with customized training and continuing education opportunities.

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South Central College History

North Mankato Campus

Mankato Vocational School was founded in 1946 as the first public post-secondary vocational-technical school in Minnesota and was governed by the Mankato School District. The Kline Garage, in downtown Mankato, became the site for the vocational school, which offered programs in electrical careers, machine tool, and auto mechanics. In 1950, classes moved into the new Mankato Vocational School building, sharing a campus with the new Mankato High School. In fall 1968, the institution's current campus in North Mankato opened its doors with a new name: Mankato Area Vocational Technical Institute. In 1984 the name was abbreviated to Mankato Technical Institute.

To address needs of the college brought on by enrollment growth, the Minnesota State Board of Education approved a \$6 million construction project, which was started 1988-1989. The 100,000 sq. ft. addition (added to the original 200,000 sq. ft. building) was completed in 1989. At the same time, the mission changed to a degree granting technical college (Associate of Applied Science), resulting in an institutional name change: Mankato Technical College.

A merger joined Mankato Technical College with Albert Lea Technical College in order to create the new Albert Lea-Mankato Technical College in July of 1992, with the new institution governed by a regional board.

Faribault Campus

Faribault Area Vocational Technical Institute received its official designation in July 1964, based on the Faribault School District's long history of providing technical education. In the 1940's, one of Minnesota's first occupational programs in practical nursing was started in partnership with the hospital. The Minnesota State Board of Education approved a \$2 million construction project during the 1987 school year. As Faribault Technical Institute, the college was governed by the school district until 1992. In that year, Faribault Technical Institute merged with technical colleges in Austin and Rochester to form the joint vocational district named Minnesota Riverland Technical College, a degree-granting institution.

Campuses Joined Together

In 1995, the Faribault campus and North Mankato campus became part of the new legislatively created Minnesota State system of colleges and universities. The Mankato campus was realigned with the Faribault campus, and the college became South Central Technical College to depict the larger region of south central Minnesota.

In 2005, the Minnesota State system Board of Trustees approved South Central Technical College's request to expand its mission and provide an Associate of Arts degree in Arts and Sciences in addition to its technical degrees. In so doing, the institution become a comprehensive community and technical college, and the name was changed to South Central College.



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