



News & Notes

January 2026

The spring semester is off to a great start! Here are some recent updates from Collin College to keep you in the loop.

1. Glenn Callison appointed to Board of Trustees

- The Collin College Board of Trustees has appointed **Glenn Callison** to serve as the **Place 1** trustee.



- Professionally, Callison is an equity shareholder attorney at Munsch Hardt Kopf & Harr, P.C., and has held **leadership roles** in organizations such as the Collin College Foundation, Baylor Scott & White Medical Center – Plano, and NAIOP North Texas Real Estate Association.



- Callison will serve Place 1 until the next regular election of the Board, which takes place **May 2027**. Place 1 expires in May 2029.

2. Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Power Leadership Breakfast gathered multiple community leaders at the McKinney Campus Conference Center

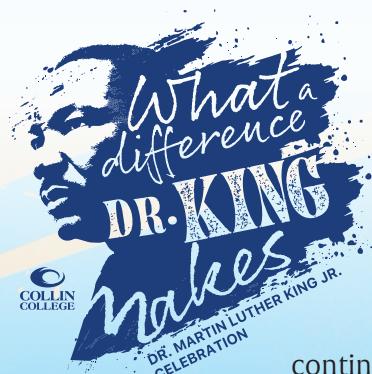
- More than 300 people attended the annual **Martin Luther King Jr. Power Leadership Breakfast** at the Collin College McKinney Campus Conference Center on Jan. 17.
- This year's breakfast theme was "**What a difference Dr. King makes.**"
- The breakfast included presentations and student performances sharing Dr. King's message while honoring the legacy of the civil rights leader.
- Nine students** were awarded MLK Unity scholarships from individuals and community organizations, including the **Fred Moses Memorial Scholarship**.
- A business and information expo took place immediately following the breakfast, highlighting local vendors and small businesses.



Collin College Chief Financial Officer Melissa Irby delivers the opening welcome speech at the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Power Leadership Breakfast.



Dr. Millie Wormley Black poses with keynote speakers Marvin Williams (right) and Harold Williams (left).



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3. Collin College named a 2025 Best for Vets college

- Collin College was named one of the 2025 Best for Vets Colleges by **Military Times**, ranking **70th out of 357** colleges and universities nationwide.
- This marks the **13th year** that Collin College has received this distinction, highlighting the work the district does to ensure that veterans have the support they need to get the most out of their college experiences.
- The college ranked **seventh in Texas** and was recognized as the **top community college in the state** for veterans.
- Collin College served more than **2,700 veterans and military-connected students** in the 2024-25 academic year through comprehensive resources and support services.



4. Collin College's Cybersecurity program honored with EC-Council awards

- The Cybersecurity program received the **2025 Academia Circle of Excellence award** from the EC-Council.
- The EC-Council is an internationally acclaimed cybersecurity technical certification body that annually honors **outstanding achievements in cybersecurity** training and education across global academic communities.
- Cybersecurity Professor Glenn Kimball was also honored with the **2025 Academia Instructor Circle of Excellence award** for his exceptional contributions to teaching and inspiring students in the field.



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5. Beulah Holman Foundation contributes to health sciences scholarships benefitting Collin College students



- The Beulah Holman Foundation donated **\$1.2 million** to support scholarships and program enhancements in **nursing, allied health sciences, and veterinary technology**.
- To honor the foundation's long-time student support and contributions, the permanent naming of the **Beulah Holman Foundation Health Sciences Wing** at the Plano Campus will be recommended to the Board for approval.
- This significant gift marks one of the **largest contributions** in the college's history.

6. Rotary Club of McKinney Sunrise Student Center naming event at the McKinney Campus

- McKinney Campus' student engagement area was named the **Rotary Club of McKinney Sunrise Student Center** on Jan. 14 serving as a tribute to the partnership between the college and the club.
- The naming honors the cumulative **\$140,000 in scholarship donations for workforce education** to the college. These efforts support financial resources for current and future students that will help remove the barrier of tuition costs.
- The **McKinney Sunrise Rotary Club** is a local chapter of Rotary International dedicated to its mission of providing service to others, focusing on improving the community through local action.



McKinney Campus Provost Dr. Mark Smith speaks at the Rotary Club of McKinney Sunrise Center naming event.

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Dates to Know:

Collin College Basketball Alumni Day

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Saturday, Feb. 21



Board Events:



Celina State of the City Luncheon
Monday, Feb. 2

11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Church at the Creek

8001 County Road 125, McKinney, TX 75071



Honorary Naming Ceremony for Officer Nancy Dominguez
Tuesday, Feb. 10

9-10 a.m.

Collin College Public Safety Training Center
3600 Redbud Blvd., McKinney, TX 75069

Trustee Highlights:

Dr. E.T. Boon (right), Collin College Board of Trustees Emeritus, attended the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Power Leadership Breakfast.



Trustee Staci Weaver (fourth from left) attends the Rotary Club of McKinney Sunrise Student Center naming event at the McKinney Campus.



Dr. Raj Menon (left), Board of Trustees vice chair, and Jay Saad (right) Board of Trustees chair, attend the Fall 2025 commencement at the Credit Union of Texas Event Center in Allen.