



News & Notes

An update from the Public Relations Office ■ December 2018

It's the Home Stretch before the Holidays! It's hard to believe that the fall semester is winding to a close. Here's the latest news as we get set for the New Year.

1. Diagnostic Medical Sonography program set to launch

- The Diagnostic Medical Sonography program will **begin offering classes in Spring 2019**
- Projecting initial cohort of **12** students enrolled
- **Strong support from clinical partners** led to larger-than-anticipated capacity
- Diagnostic medical sonography is the use of imaging by medical ultrasound to produce 2D and 3D images for medical diagnosis
- More info: http://www.collin.edu/academics/programs/DMSO_1Overview.html

2. College awarded 'High-Tech High Heels' grant

- Purpose is to increase the number of girls graduating from high school who enter a technical degree program
- Will provide more than **\$20,000 to pilot IT training and support** for 20 low-income high school senior girls
- Students selected will participate in Collin's summer Cybersecurity Camp and take information/computer systems classes during the 2019-2020 academic year
- Support includes tutoring, career coaches, coverage of fees for industry exams, and professional industry training workshop
- Details about High Tech High Heels: www.hightechhighheels.org

3. Collin named best in Texas for medical billing and coding programs

- Medical Billing and Coding World, a student resource website, recognized top programs in each state
- Collin College recognized for its medical billing (216 hours) and medical coding (352 hours) certificates
- **Collin's programs meet the requirements** of the American Academy of Professional Coders
- Job placement assistance, cost, and exam preparation included in evaluation criteria
- Details: https://www.collin.edu/ce/certificates/cert_b_medcodbill.html

4. College again named ‘Best for Vets’

- Recognized in 2019 rankings by Military Times magazine
- Fifth consecutive year Collin has been honored
- One of only three community colleges in Texas to be recognized
- College served more than 1,400 veterans in survey year of 2017
- Info on Veterans Resources: www.collin.edu/studentresources/veteransresources

5. Student art exhibition on display at Plano Campus

- THE ARTS Gallery is featuring the Collin College Student Open Exhibition through Jan. 9
- **More than 80 pieces of artwork by students** enrolled in art classes
- Gallery hours: Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Friday-Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- On display through Dec. 21; closed for Winter Break Dec. 22-Jan.1; open again Jan. 2-9
- The gallery is on **Plano Campus, Room A175** (entrance off Jupiter Rd.)
- Gallery website: <http://www.collin.edu/departments/artsgallery/>

6. Collin accomplishments highlighted online

Did you know you can read about what Collin personnel and students have been up to, right on the college website?

- News about **faculty, staff, students and trustees**
- Update on awards, honors and other accomplishments
- **New list posted monthly**
- Visit www.collincollegenews.com/inbrief

COLLIN BY THE NUMBERS

34 Years and Still Growing!

In fact, Collin College has been **growing by leaps and bounds** since the fall of 1985.

	Fall 1985	Fall 2018
Number of campuses/locations	1	8
Number of credit courses offered	76	332
Total enrollment (credit/non-credit)	1,495	55,625