



News & Notes

September 2026



The Dual Credit Advantage Program (DCAP) helps students maintain momentum after high school by earning college credits during the summer. This month's News & Notes highlights how DCAP supports credit completion, continued progress toward credentials, and student outcomes tied to Texas' performance-based funding model.

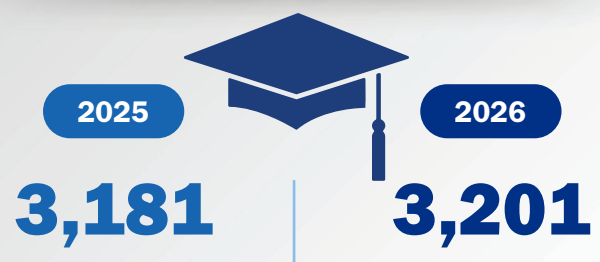
1 PARTICIPATION



Waivers Used to Complete a Course

More students used a waiver to complete a course in 2026, helping them stay on track.

2 CREDITS COMPLETED



Total Completed Credits (excluding Developmental Education)

In Summer 2026, students completed more credits through DCAP.

3 CONTINUED SUCCESS



Core Complete Students

More students became core complete in 2026, continuing their progress toward credentials and successful transfers.

4 STUDENT SAVINGS AND POTENTIAL FUNDING



DCAP waivers saved students more money in Summer 2026.

Potential 15-hour Transfer Funding (maximum amount)



This represents the performance-based state funding tied to students who complete at least 15 college credit hours and transfer to a four-year institution.



The Technology Association for North Texas (also known as Tech Titans) recognized the Collin College Electronic Engineering Technology program and Dean Tripat Baweja's contributions to the program by awarding them the **Tech Titans of the Future Award** in the college/university category. This award is the largest and most prestigious recognition of technological achievement in North Texas.



The Collin College Police Department was awarded a

\$26,000

grant from the Office of the Governor

to purchase body armor, better preparing officers to respond effectively to emergency situations.

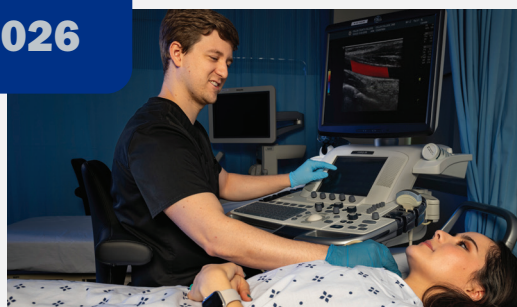


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Pastry Arts student Hayden King has had an exceptional year representing Collin College. King was named the 2025-26 **Texas Chefs Association (TCA) Dallas Chapter Student Chef of the Year**, earning eligibility to compete for the statewide title.



The Diagnostic Medical Sonography program graduated 14 students in August. The cohort achieved a **100% pass rate on all registry exam attempts**, maintaining a 100% pass rate for the program since its inception.

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