



**6,300 PVAMU HONORS STUDENTS RECOGNIZED FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE
AT FOUNDERS' DAY CONVOCATION**

The annual ceremony celebrates one of Texas' leading HBCUs while recognizing thousands of scholars preparing to lead and serve communities across the state and nation.

PRAIRIE VIEW, Texas (March 16, 2026)- Prairie View A&M University will celebrate its legacy of excellence and the remarkable academic achievements of its students during the Founders' Day and Honors Recognition Convocation on Wednesday, March 18, at 10 a.m. in the William "Billy" J. Nicks Sr. Building (Baby Dome).

The annual convocation commemorates the founding of the University while recognizing 6,333 scholars whose accomplishments reflect PVAMU's commitment to scholarship, leadership, and service. A total of 4,580 students were named to the Honor Roll across both semesters, and 4,098 students were recognized for Dean's Honors distinction.

As Prairie View A&M University celebrates its 150th anniversary, this year's Founders' Day Convocation takes on special meaning, honoring the visionaries who established the institution while recognizing the academic excellence of the students who carry that legacy forward.

The ceremony serves as one of the University's most significant academic traditions, highlighting the impact of Prairie View A&M University as a leading institution preparing the next generation of scholars, professionals and leaders for Texas and beyond.

The keynote address will be delivered by The Honorable Eric Fagan, the 45th sheriff of Fort Bend County and a proud Prairie View A&M University alumnus. First elected in 2020 and re-elected in 2024, Fagan has led significant public safety initiatives across one of the most diverse counties in the United States. Under his leadership, the Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office has secured more than **\$17.8 million in grants**, expanded crime-reduction initiatives, and collaborated with regional and federal partners to dismantle more than **30 human trafficking operations** while strengthening narcotics enforcement and community partnerships.

Student honorees will be available for interviews following the ceremony.

To speak with PVAMU University leadership or college administrators, contact **Liz Faublas-Wallace**, Communications Specialist III, at lswallace@pvamu.edu.

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PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY, founded in 1876, is the second oldest public institution of higher education in the state of Texas and the third largest Historically Black College/University (HBCU) in the nation. Designated as an “institution of the first class” in the Texas Constitution, the enrollment exceeds 10,000 students and over 80,000 graduates. PVAMU offers academic programs through its ten colleges and schools, boasting degree options leading to bachelor’s and doctoral-level degrees. A Carnegie-classified high-research (R2) University and a member of The Texas A&M University System, PVAMU is dedicated to fulfilling its land-grant mission of achieving excellence in teaching, research, and service. For more information, visit www.pvamu.edu.

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