

Alumni News

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The will to win, the desire to succeed, the urge to reach your full potential... these are the keys that will unlock the door to personal excellence.

-Confucius



Message from the Superintendent: Dr. Joe E. Gonzales



Alumni Spotlight Eliana Grijalva Class of 2012



In May 2012, Da Vinci School for Science and the Arts celebrated its first graduating class. Seven years later the school has graduated over 130 students. Our proud heritage in education continues as Da Vinci graduates students with the foundations that assure student success in their post graduate endeavors. In addition, the ongoing expansions, beautification of our campuses, and program enhancement are increasing the opportunities for our Da Vinci students to excel.

As Da Vinci graduates, you have been recipients of a prestigious education. As alumni, you can ensure that the diploma that you received retains value and relevance for future generations of Da Vinci students. Da Vinci alumni can help ensure that the school continues to satisfy its mission by staying involved. I invite and encourage you to return to campus, speak to student groups, mentor, attend sporting events to support student athletes, or enjoy a concert or theatre production. Through the participation of our alumni, we can help Da Vinci keep all its wonderful programs, increase the number and amount of scholarships offered to our graduates, and continue to help maintain Da Vinci as a premier program. Alumni working together can make a difference in the lives of today's Da Vinci students who are destined to be great leaders tomorrow.

Finally, a big thank you to Ms. Iris Burnham for your vision which has impacted so many lives in a positive manner. Remember, Ms. Burnham built it, nourished it, and made it grow.

With the Highest Regards,
- Dr. Joe E. Gonzales

Da Vinci may be a school for science and arts, but it taught me much more.

As a lifelong homeschooler, entering a charter school at the age of 15 was daunting to say the least. When my mother told me she had enrolled me, I cried for weeks, not knowing what to expect or how I would stay afloat. As is usually the case, she knew what was best for me: Becoming a Da Vinci dragon turned into one of my favorite parts of growing up.

While my first months were rocky, with the help of my classmates and teachers, I found my place at Da Vinci. Through my work in Student Council, I found a passion for communication and events that would later inspire me to earn my Bachelor's degree in public relations and pursue my current position as an event planner for the Plaza and Abraham Chavez Theatre. (Thanks to the volleyball team, I also discovered that I should definitely not go into athletics, but high school is primarily a learning experience, isn't it?)

To this day, I am proud to be a part of Da Vinci's first graduating class because it is where I found my voice.



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Featured Class : 2018

Chavez, Desiree	UTEP	Martinez, Lauren	UTEP
Flores, Elias	UTEP	Mayorga, Adria	EPCC
Garcia, Martha	UTEP	McDaniel, Anthony	UTEP
Garcia, Tovar Diego.	UTEP	Reyes, Citlali	UTEP
Gomez, Victoria.	UTEP	Salazar, Sifuentes, Diego	UTEP
Linden, Jadon		Sanchez, Peter	UTEP
Lira, Leslie		Sosa, Elijah	
Lira, Mitzy		Stopani, Chris	EPCC
Lira, Raymond		Summer, Ethan	UTEP
Lopez, Valerie		Trevizo, Karina	UTEP
Luttrell, Kristen	NMSU	Veytia, Guillermo	EPCC

Upcoming Events:
May 30: High School Graduation
6 P.M. DV Auditorium



InSPIRESS Champs!



Kristen Luttrell receiving recognition from Principal Longoria for having attended Burnham Wood schools for 12 years.



Valedictorian Peter Sanchez
Salutatorian: Citlali Reyes
Prom Queen: Adria Mayorga
Prom King: Chris Stopani



Graduation Day 2018

Annual Student VS. Faculty Volleyball Game: Faculty take the Prize!



Senior Bonding Moment



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Class of 2012

- Gloria Alarcon
- Trevor Blake
- Jacqueline Chaparro
- Roberto Corral
- Andrew Davis
- Christian Delgado
- Sara Gonzalez
- Valerie Gopin
- Eliana Grivalva
- Christa Hall
- Jayme Modest
- Jessica Morales
- Miren Pena
- Caitlyn Pinson
- Estephanie Ronquillo
- Roy Sanchez
- Charlie Schaffino
- Richard Schaffino
- Brittany Sowell

Class of 2013

- Christopher Bueno
- Alejandro Cabral
- Miguel Cruz
- Ashley Gonzales
- Lucy Li
- Daniela Mireles
- Delia Ortega Rios
- Michelle Ronquillo
- Andreu Snow

Class of 2014

- Heba Abdel Jaber
- Leonardo Aguirre
- Samantha Avery
- Martin Burboa Lievano
- Victor Calleros Garcia
- Tristen Chesley
- Steve Galicia
- Marissa Harp
- Atenas Hernandez
- Santiago Macias
- Kain Martinez
- Alaya Rivera
- Alan Sank
- Jeremy Soto
- Ivette Tarango
- Estefania Torres
- Kristian Villegas

Da Vinci
alumni who set
the foundation
on which others
could build!



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Class of 2015

- Felix Avila
- Claudia Becerra
- Carolina Delgado
- Jacqueline Dominguez
- Marissa Flynn
- Flores Gonzalez Rueda
- Danica Gutierrez
- Marcos Gutierrez
- Nicolaus Hantzopoulos



- Christopher Martinez
- Leila Martinez
- Carolina Mercado
- Aaliyah Montgomery
- Laura Robleto
- Jonathan Heckel
- Alexander Hillstrom
- Daniel Hudgens

“High school may be hard/annoying/stressful/etc., but admit it, you’re going to miss it when it ends.
-Daniel Yslas

Class of 2016

- Andrew Aristizabal
- Omar Aroche
- David Baray Torres
- Christopher Bueno
- Cassandra Cabral
- Aylin Escarcega Vargas
- Daniela Flores
- Jonathan Flores
- Faith Gonzalez
- Marco Martinez
- Sebastian Martinez
- Jose Mireles
- Ricardo Mireles



- Daniel Mitchell
- Francis Peletz
- Damian Salazar
- Diego Saucedo Sifuentes
- Alare Slack
- Leslie Tagle Bernal
- Sophia Terrazas
- Lila Tristan
- Paula Veytia
- Kimberley Villalobos
- Daniel Yslas
- Jingxi Zhu

Class of 2017

- Alfredo Alcalá
- Alavarez-Beltran
- Sebastian Canales
- Jacob Dominguez
- Justin Flynn
- Mariel Garcia
- Ariella Guzman
- Roberto Johnson
- Giselle Loya
- Melenna Montgomery



- Jordan Morales
- Hector Naranjo Perez
- Maxwell Peterson
- Jonathan Quintana
- Lyzbeth Sanchez
- John Saunders
- Jorge Valadez
- Daniela Villagrana
- Randy Villegas

It is important for alumni to help our staff keep its records up to date. Call or email us to keep us informed of your accomplishments and milestones. Also, help us keep our mailing addresses and email addresses up to date so that we can be sure that you are receiving the Alumni News, invitations to alumni events, and all other campus news. Make sure to read our monthly e-newsletter.

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