



South Central COLLEGE

Commencement | May 15, 2025



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COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY
Thursday, May 15, 2025
Dr. Annette Parker Presiding

Greeting/Announcements	Brian Tiegs, Vice President of Human Resources
Processional	Minnesota Orchestra
Welcome	John Harper, Vice President of Retention and Outreach
Color Guard	Boy Scout Troop 4
National Anthem	Dr. Amy Magnus, English Instructor
President's Address and Introductions	Dr. Annette Parker, President
Minnesota State Board of Trustees Greeting	Kathy Sheran, Minnesota State Board Trustee
Commencement Address	Jen Worth, Senior Vice President, Academic & Workforce Development for the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC)
Student Remarks	Carolyn Mueller, Fall 2024 Graduate
Outstanding Alumni	Emily Giddings, 2009 & 2010 Graduate
Recognition of Honor Graduates and Military Service Recognition	Laura Attenberger, Vice President of Academic Affairs
Presentation of Candidates	John Harper, Vice President of Retention and Outreach
Recognition of Candidates	Laura Attenberger, Vice President of Academic Affairs
Conferring of Degrees, Diplomas, and Certificates	Dr. Annette Parker, President
Closing Remarks	Dr. Annette Parker, President
Recessional	

Grand Marshal / Mace Bearer	Myron Oftedahl, Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year
Faculty Marshals	Mark Wehe, Faribault Campus Todd Huxford, North Mankato Campus
Academic Procession Marshals	Edel Fernandez, Angie James, Abbey Lane, Dr. Matthew J. Leisen, Nik Proehl, Andrea Rossow

Congratulations to the Graduates



On this momentous day, we, the faculty, staff, and administration of South Central College, extend our heartfelt congratulations for all that you have accomplished.

Each of you arrived at South Central College with unique goals. Some of you embarked on programs designed to prepare you for careers in your chosen fields immediately following graduation. Others selected programs with plans to transfer to a 4-year institution after earning your 2-year associate degree today. And some of you aim to do both! No matter your path, you can take immense pride in all that you have achieved.

For many students and graduates, attending South Central College has opened hearts and minds to the incredible possibilities future education brings. Learning, after all, is a lifelong journey, and we at SCC are privileged to have played a role in inspiring you to pursue further education—whether it be on the job or in the classroom.

Education drives success. Providing the resources you need to thrive has always been and will continue to be our primary goal. A few years ago, South Central College was honored to join Achieving the Dream, a national network of more than 300 institutions dedicated to student success. As an Achieving the Dream college, South Central College implemented various success-driven initiatives focused on making a difference “Just 1 More” student at a time. Despite the unprecedented challenges brought on by the pandemic, SCC successfully carried these measures forward. In 2021, based on data indicating significant progress in closing achievement gaps, South Central College proudly earned recognition as a Leader College by Achieving the Dream.

Graduates, as you walk across the stage today, you embody the realization of this dream, and we could not be prouder of you! Please know that the supportive community you experienced as a student will extend beyond graduation. As members of the SCC family, I encourage you to forge connections with fellow alumni and continue to nurture relationships that strengthen our shared bond.

For me personally, this ceremony marks a deeply meaningful milestone. Having had the distinct honor of serving as the president of South Central College for the past 12 years, this commencement is my final one before retiring. Words cannot fully express how privileged I have felt to serve this institution and witness the transformative journeys of thousands of students like you. It has been an extraordinary gift to be part of this community, one that values education, innovation, and the power to change lives. You—graduates—are the legacy of our shared mission, and I will always carry the pride of your achievements in my heart.

Congratulations, South Central College Class of 2025! May your future be filled with success, fulfillment, and the unyielding pursuit of learning.

With much admiration,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dr. Annette Parker".

Dr. Annette Parker

South Central College President

Commencement Speaker



Jen Worth

Sr. Vice President of Academic & Workforce Development, AACC

Jen Worth serves as senior vice president for academic and workforce development for the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC), which works with every college from Guam to New York to our college. In her role, Ms. Worth oversees projects that partner community college talent with companies seeking industry-relevant workers like those who are graduating in the audience today. Striving to make promising practices into common practices nationally, she has staffed AACC's president and CEO, Dr. Walter G. Bumphus, on workforce development task forces under Presidents Obama, Trump, and Biden.

Ms. Worth has held a number of senior positions at education and training organizations and boards of directors. She also has two sons and a shiftwork husband. She is trying to learn how to be a better camper, fisher, and mountain biker, but she has also cracked three ribs, still can't throw a baseball despite having two sons who play, and came in dead last at an adventure race of over a hundred people in the last year. She is walking proof that we each have peaks and valleys and is honored today to come be a part of this moment.

Outstanding Alumni



Emily Giddings

Outstanding Alumni Award Recipient

Diploma in Nursing, 2009 Graduate

Associate of Science in Nursing, 2010 Graduate

Emily Giddings is the heart and soul behind Giddie Skin Medspa. Born in Mankato and raised between the peaceful prairies of Iowa and the lake-dotted landscapes of Minnesota, she's been grounded in Midwestern values her whole life. While she met her husband when she was just five years old, they married in 2009. They now have 12-year-old twins who keep their household full of energy and love.

Emily is the definition of adventurous and curious. Whether she's hiking mountain trails, strolling the prairie, or lounging on a beach somewhere abroad, she's always soaking up the world and learning from new cultures. Every fall, she goes to South Dakota to help vaccinate buffalo on a family ranch.

Her love for all four seasons shines through in the way her family lives—boating in the summer, pheasant hunting in the fall, and carving down the ski slopes come winter. And when she's not outdoors or chasing her next travel destination, she's brushing up on her French because she believes learning should never stop.

Professionally, she's just as passionate. She got her start at South Central College at just 16, earned her Diploma in Practical Nursing and Associate of Science in Nursing there. She went on to complete her Bachelor of Science in Nursing at Minnesota State University, Mankato. In 2018, she took a leap of faith and opened Giddie Skin Medspa—turning her vision of empowered, natural beauty into a reality. Her team reflects her roots too: one of her injectors is also a South Central grad, and their aesthetician earned a business degree from there as well.

Whether she's in the treatment room, on a mountain, or in the middle of a prairie with buffalo, Emily brings heart, hustle, and a deep love for helping others feel their best.

Minnesota State Board of Trustees Representative



Kathy Sheran

Minnesota State Trustee

Kathy Sheran, Mankato, has served on the Board of Trustees since 2020. She served three terms in the Minnesota Senate representing District 23 and 19. While in the Senate she served as a Majority Whip, Vice Chair for Higher Education, and Chair of Health, Human Services and Housing. Prior to serving in the Senate, Sheran was on the faculty at Minnesota State University, Mankato teaching in the School of Nursing. Additionally, she was an equity partner in SMR, a real estate development and management company.

Sheran has a long history of service, including sixteen years as president of the Mankato City Council and past service on the Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board, the Governor's Commission on Judicial Selection, and past chair of the Minnesota Health Insurance Exchange (MNsure). Governor Tim Walz appointed Sheran to the Board of Trustees in 2020. Her terms ends on June 30, 2026.

Minnesota State Board of Trustees Representative



Christopher Richter

Minnesota State Trustee

Christopher Richter of Owatonna has served on the Board of Trustees since 2023. He attended South Central College and graduated in spring 2024 with an Associate of Arts degree. He is now taking classes across the system to complete his bachelor's degree in political science, planning to graduate in fall 2025. Next, he plans to pursue a master's degree in public policy and higher education. Currently, he is completing a Senate internship with Senator Nick Frentz. While at South Central, he served as Student Senate President, advocating for students' basic needs at the state and federal levels. He also served as the Phi Theta Kapa (PTK) Vice President of Scholarship. Chris also has experience working in student life, connecting with students, and fostering a welcoming atmosphere.

Governor Tim Walz appointed Richter to the Board of Trustees on September 16, 2023. His term ends on June 30, 2025.



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Past Outstanding Alumni Recipients

1989: Bill Bresnan, Electronics 1953
1990: Daniel Smith, Commercial Art 1976
1991: Margaret Remiger, Sales & Marketing 1975 and Stan Christ, Sales & Marketing 1979
1992: James Brown, Sales & Marketing 1971
1993-1999: Award not given
2000: Bonnie Barrer, Sales & Marketing 1981 and Sandy Nichols, Nursing (LPN) 1982
2001: Lorin Krueger, Electronics 1976; Rob Colby, Electronics 1974; and Mary Riach, Accounting 1986
2002: Dennis Siemer, Electronics 1960 and Jeanne Schoenbauer, Nursing (LPN) 1970
2003: Marilyn (Keltgen) Baker, Computer Careers 2001 and Tom Trnka, Carpentry 1977
2004: Larry Kuyper, Sales & Marketing 1977 and Steven Schmidt, Carpentry 1976
2005: Cathy Riley, Sales & Marketing 1979 and Adam Draheim, Computer Integrated Machining 1997
2006: Doug Laven, Electronics Technology 1993 and Marnie Whillock, Sales & Marketing 1979
2015: Jan Downs, Secretarial 1976; Jim Downs, Sales & Marketing 1977; and Mike Gramse, Machining 1968
2016: Julie Nelson, Secretarial 1976 and Brad Breyer, Accounting 1978
2017: Brian Stark Commercial and Technical Art/Graphics 1983 and Marty Benes, Accounting 1991
2018: Daniel Kaiser, Architectural Drafting 1978 and Mike Bauer, Carpentry 1982
2019: Marvin Bartlett Welding, HVAC/R, Electronics Technology, Computer Software Specialist 1988 and Jason DeMars, Machine Tool Tech. 1994
2020: Award not given
2021: Brian Mayo, Machine Tool Technology 1997 and Katrina DeYoung-Harper, Professional Nursing 2008
2022: Shari Brostrom, Sales & Marketing 1982 and Kurt Halvorson, Sales & Marketing 2001
2023: Michele Voegele, Accounting 2001 and Jacob Ward, Marketing Management 2014
2024: Adam Finseth, Intensive Care Paramedic Technician 2012

Minnesota State Board of Trustees and Chancellor

George Soule, Chair
Dawn Erlandson, Vice Chair
Jay Cowles
Jim Grabowska
Tim Huebsch

Jerry Janezich
Jacquelin Johnson
Jana Johnson
Roger Moe
Javier Morillo

Christopher Richter
Kathy Sheran
Cheryl Tefer

Dr. Scott Olson, Chancellor

South Central College Administration

Dr. Annette Parker	President
Laura Attenberger	Vice President of Academic Affairs
John Harper	Vice President of Retention and Outreach
Kelcey Woods-Nord	Vice President of Strategic Partnerships
Dr. Judy Endres	Vice President of Student Affairs
Dr. Jordan Orzoff	Vice President of Enrollment Management and Institutional Effectiveness
Katie Hewitt	Interim Vice President Finance and Operations
Brian Tiegs	Vice President of Human Resources
Cristen Cox	Dean of Arts and Sciences
Amy Durand	Dean of Agriculture
Dr. Elizabeth Thompson	Dean of Health Sciences
Dr. George Taylor	Dean of Business and Industry

South Central College Faculty

Sarah Allen, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Luai AlSadiq, MA - George Mason University
Lejla Alvarez, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Bonnie Barnhardt, MBA - University of Minnesota, Duluth
Terri Baumgartner, BSN - South Dakota State University
Mindy Beert, AAS - Iowa Lakes Community College
Ramona Beiswanger, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Annette Benson, MS - Winona State University
Heather Biedermann, MSLS - Dominican University
Chris Blaisdell, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Luke Blakesley, DIP - South Central College
William Block, DIP - Ridgewater College
Jeremy Blom, DIP - Northwest Iowa Community College
Kari Bluth, MAT - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Daniel Boddy, DIP - South Central College
Sandra Bosch, MS - South Dakota State University
Stephanie Bracken, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
James Brady, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Ben Braswell, MA - Western Governors University
Shawnae Brodie, AS - South Central College
Dave Brokl, DIP - South Central College
Amy Brown, AAS - South Central College
T.J. Brown, EDD - Minnesota State University, Moorhead
Ryan Brudellie, MS - South Dakota State University
Chris Burban
Lisa Burkett, MAT - California University of Pennsylvania
John Burns, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Lori Bye, BFA - St. Cloud State University
Brian Carlson, MBA - University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
Justin Clifton, BFA - Minneapolis College of Art and Design
Kirstin Cronn-Mills, PHD - Iowa State University
Austin Davis, BS - University of Minnesota
Eli Depuydt, AAS - South Central College
Kurt Dershem, PHD - Bowling Green State University
Kevin Dick, BAS - University of Wisconsin-Stout
Christian Dostert, BS - University of Phoenix
Amy Durand, MA - New Mexico State University
David Edwards, MS - Indiana State University
Dylan Edwards, BA - St. Cloud State University
Tinu Ehinmowo, PHD - Federal University of Technology, Akure
Brian Eidet, BA - Concordia University
Daniel Englehorn, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Jennifer Fedder, BS - Winona State University

William Fenske, DBA - Metropolitan State University
Ron Fleischmann, BSED - Martin Luther College
Laurie Forsythe, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Casey Fredrickson, MS - Minnesota State University, Moorhead
Erin Freitag, MA - Saint Marys University of Minnesota
David Gilmore, MED - University of Minnesota Twin Cities
Alex Goff, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Rita Gomez, MS - Portland State University
Jane Greathouse, MA - Claremont Graduate School
Renee Guyer, MS - Colorado State University
Kaylie Hagen, DIP - South Central College
Jordan Hall, DIP - St. Cloud Technical and Community College
Chris Halloran, MPAC - Winona State University
Rex Hammerschmidt, DIP - South Central College
Stacy Hammett, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Michael Henderson, PHD - Claremont Graduate School
Justin Hendricksen, AAS - South Central College
Rebecca Herberg, MAT - Bemidji State University
Jaclyn Hlavac, BS - Winona State University
Janice Hofschulte, MS - St. Cloud State University
Matt Holicky, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Heidi Hollerich, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Rebecca Holte, MS - University of Texas at Austin
Katie Hueper, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Todd Huxford, DIP - South Central College
Miranda Jacoby, BS - Grand Canyon University
Kenneth Johnson, MBA - North Dakota State University
Liz Johnson, BAS - Winona State University
Michelle Johnson, MFA - University of Wisconsin-Madison
Stevie Johnson, BA - Concordia University
Dana Kaplan, MS - Capella University
Casey Kelly, DNP - Nebraska Methodist College
James Keltgen, MA - College of Saint Scholastica
Hok Kim, PHD - North Carolina State University
Eric Kinsley, BS - Kansas State University
Jeffrey Kletschka, AAS - South Central College
Kylie Krause, BSN - Winona State University
Jeremiah Kuehne, BA - Bethany Lutheran College
Emma Kwolek, PHD - Iowa State University
Cassandra Labairon, MFA - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Kacie Lamont, MS - Minnesota State University, Moorhead
Stephanie Lamont, BA - Southwest Minnesota State University
Douglas Laven, MBA - University of Phoenix

South Central College Faculty

Nathan LeBoutillier, MFA - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Kimberly Lehrke, MSN - Minnesota State University, Moorhead

Pamela Lehrke, MBA - Concordia University

David Lentz, BS - Iowa State University

Javier-Jose Lopez-Jimenez, PHD - Indiana State University

Brittany Lutz, BSN - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Amy Magnus, PHD - Case Western Reserve University

Marianna Mayo, AAS - South Central College

Peter McCabe, DIP - South Central College

Kristina McVicker, BS - South Dakota State University

Andrea Mettler, MSN - Excelsior College

Becky Miller, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Carrie Miller, BT - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Tolga Misirli, PHD - University of Istanbul

Tilly Mohr, BA - Southwest Minnesota State University

Daniel Moldaschel, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Shawna Molloy, MS - University of North Dakota

Tom Moran, DIP - South Central College

Jon Morgan, BS - Bemidji State University

Candace Mortenson-Klimpel, MSN - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Lu Mulder, MFA - Minneapolis College of Art and Design

Holly Munch, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Tracy Murphy, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Mulki Naleye, MAT - Hamline University

Shayne Narjes, PHD - Iowa State University

Audrey Nawrocki, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Teresa Neufelder, MS - Chicago Institute of Technology

Heidi Newbauer, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Ellen Nichols, MAT - Smith College

Kristina Nowak, MN - Walden University

Connie Odenthal, MFA - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Laurie Oelslager, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Myron Oftedahl, BS - University of Minnesota Twin Cities

Joseph Olstrom, MPA - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Jennifer Ongie Jindra, MSN - Western Governors University

Ian Pearson, BA - Concordia University

Elisa Perez-Garcia, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Kevin Peterson, AAS - South Central College

Sydnee Pigman, BSN - Western Governors University

Steven Piroso, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Ashley Priem, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Matthew Priem, MA - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Kaitlyn Przybilla, CERT - Inver Hills Community College

Joan Quam, MS - Western Governors University

Heather Quint, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Jay Ragalie, AAS - South Central College

Denise Reeser, MBA - Southwest Minnesota State University

Roberta Regis, BA - Metropolitan State University

John Reinhard, MFA - University of Michigan - Ann Arbor

Eric Retzlaff

Victor Rivas, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Joel Roggenkamp, MED - University of Minnesota

Tara Rohman, AAS - South Central College

Brent Roiger, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Nicole Ruhland, MAT - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Debra Salmon, MSW - University of St. Thomas

Nathan Sartain, BA - Metropolitan State University

Ashley Sash, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Jay Schmit, DIP - South Central College

Wayne Schoper, MED - University of Minnesota Twin Cities

Jason Schroeder, BAS - University of Wisconsin-River Falls

Shawn Schroeder, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Jeffrey Schultz, BS - University of Minnesota

Brianna Schwarzrock, BS - South Dakota State University

Deborah Selbach, MFA - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Toni Shantz, BAS - Presentation College

Kurt Shrader, MA - Savannah College of Art and Design

Amanda Smith, MSN - Walden University

John Smith, MA - Saint Marys University of Minnesota

Sarah Snider, MED - University of North Dakota

Jennifer Sorensen, AS - Riverland Community College

Cindy Sparrow, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Darci Stanford, MS - South Dakota State University

Ruth Stark, AS - Inver Hills Community College

Adam Steinke, AAS - South Central College

Julie Steinke, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Jay Stencil, MS - Vanderbilt University

Todd Stencil, BS - University of Wisconsin-River Falls

Shawn Stoermann, MA - American Public University System

Rebecca Strom, MA - Ball State University

George Taylor, PHD - University of Oklahoma

Danielle Thomas, AAS - Rasmussen College

Elizabeth Thompson, DNP - Winona State University

Emily Thompson, MSW - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Matthew Trainor, AAS - Western Technical College

Pamela Uhlenkamp, BS - University of Minnesota

South Central College Faculty

Sara Urban, BS - Capella University
Shannon Volk, DIP - South Central College
Leah Walters, MSN - Capella University
Mark Wehe, MSED - Southwest Minnesota State University
Carie Weller, MA - Concordia University
Eric Weller, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Lucinda Wells, MA - University of Minnesota Twin Cities
Jay Wendelberger, MA - University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Tanya Whitehouse, PHD - University of New Mexico
Nathan Wibstad, DIP - South Central College
Sara Wilfahrt, MBA - Southwest Minnesota State University

Dave Wilson, MS - Khmelnytskyi Technological Institute
Jay Winters, DIP - South Central College
Pamela Wolters, BSN - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Amber Wubben, BSN - Rasmussen College
Dawn Wuebker, MS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Kerry Youso, MED - University of Minnesota Twin Cities
Susan Ziebarth, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato
Colton Ziegler, BS - Minnesota State University, Mankato

Academic Regalia

The gowns, hoods, and caps that are worn in the processional stem from centuries of academic tradition. Not only do they lend color and dignity to this occasion, they also serve to identify the wearers by indicating their field of specialty and by marking their level of achievement.

Gowns are traditionally black with straight, open sleeves for associate or bachelor's degrees while a closed sleeve with a slit denotes a master's degree. Those who have a doctorate degree are recognized by the velvet trimmings on the front facings of the gown and by the crossbars on the sleeves.

A hood or cowl is worn by all graduates who have earned master's degree or higher. Hoods are also worn by faculty. The length will vary with the level of academic achievement, with longer hoods representing higher degree awards. The colors and style on the outer portion represent the colors of the institution conferring the degree. The color and style of the lining indicates the area of study.

Agriculture	Maize	Home Economics	Maroon	Philosophy.....	Dark Blue
Architecture.....	Blue Violet	Journalism, Communications.....	Crimson	Physical Education	Sage Green
Arts, Letters, Humanities	White	Law	Purple	Public Administration,	
Commerce, Accounting, Business.....	Drab	Library Science	Lemon	Including Foreign Service	Peacock Blue
Dentistry.....	Lilac	Medicine, Hospital		Public Health.....	Salmon Pink
Economics.....	Copper	Administration	Kelly Green	Science, Physics	Golden Yellow
Education.....	Light Blue	Music.....	Pink	Social Work	Citron
Engineering.....	Orange	Nursing	Apricot	Theology	Scarlet
Fine Arts.....	Brown	Oratory (Speech)	Silver Gray	Veterinary Science.....	Gray
Forestry.....	Russet	Pharmacy.....	Olive Green		

Caps are traditionally black mortarboards with a colorful tassel. South Central College has chosen antique gold tassels for all areas of study. Faculty wear a black tassel and those who have earned a doctoral degree may wear a tam. South Central College would like to thank the Student Senates for funds that make it possible for us to provide each graduate with a complimentary cap and gown.

The printed commencement program is a ceremonial publication. The program is not intended to be an official representation of college records. The use of this program to signify completion of a South Central College degree is strictly prohibited.

Every effort has been made to ensure accuracy and completeness. We apologize for any omissions, misspellings, or misplaced names.

Academic Procession

South Central College introduces the commencement exercises with the traditional academic procession. The procession is led by the Outstanding Faculty Member, President, Vice Presidents, Deans, other stage guests and faculty, followed by the candidates.

The Outstanding Faculty Member will lead the procession carrying a mace. The mace is a symbol for two critical matters; it stands for the freedom to seek and teach the truth and for the authority of the college. The mace symbolizes that South Central College must protect and foster these educational values and ideals. Our mace was handcrafted by President Emeritus Keith Stover, who served South Central College from 1999-2013.

The President wears a medallion around the neck. The medallion is an age old tradition representing the chain of office in educational institutions. Each chain of the medallion is as unique as the institution it represents. South Central College's medallion is made from Vetter Stone, with a chain featuring the names of South Central College's leadership from the institution's inception. Links on one side represent Faribault campus leadership and on the other North Mankato campus leadership. They join in the middle beginning with Dr. Kenneth Mills who served both campuses when they merged in 1995.

Honors

Honor graduates receive academic medallions, worn around their neck on ribbons that indicate their academic standing based on Fall 2024:

- * Honors (3.3 - 3.49 GPA): The graduate wears a medallion with white ribbon.
- ** High Honors (3.5 - 3.79 GPA): The graduate wears a medallion with silver ribbon.
- *** Highest Honors (3.8 - 4.0 GPA): The graduate wears a medallion with gold ribbon.

Phi Theta Kappa

The purpose of Phi Theta Kappa is to recognize and encourage scholarships among two-year college students. To achieve this purpose, Phi Theta Kappa provides the opportunity for the development of leadership and service, for an intellectual climate for exchange of ideas and ideals, for lively fellowship for scholars, and for stimulation of interest in continuing academic excellence.

South Central College students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.3 or above, with at least 12 completed semester credits, to be invited to join one of our Phi Theta Kappa chapters. Honorees wear blue and gold honor cords and gold PTK stoles during the commencement ceremony.

- ♦ Phi Theta Kappa Membership

Outstanding Student Leaders

Student Leadership and Success is vital to a Community College. Student Organizations and the Leadership Learning Community (LLC) are dedicated to building leaders who make a better world. Students who went above and beyond by getting involved with clubs and organizations wear commencement stoles and cords to represent their leadership. Some of these are listed below:

DECA
Cord: Blue and White Tied
Stole: Blue with Logo

Leadership Learning Community
Cord: Navy and Silver
Stole: Navy and Silver

Rotoract
Cord: Rose-Pink

Student Senate
Cord: White and Gold Twisted
Stole: White with Gold Trim

Dental Assisting Club
Cord: Lavender

Psychology Club
Cord: Orange

Skills USA
Cord: White and Red Double
Stole: White

TRIO Leadership
Cord: Red and Black Twisted

Diversity Club
Cord: Silver, Teal, and Lavender

Professional Agricultural Students (PAS)
Cord: Green and White;
Stole: Green with White Trim

Student Nurses Association
Cord: White and Red Twisted
Stole: White with Red Trim

Candidates for Certificates

- ♦ **Fadumo Mohamed Abdi**, Mankato, Phlebotomy
- Suheyb M. Abdi**, Eagle Lake, Computer Assistant
- ** **Samira Adan**, St. Peter, Computer Assistant
- * **Gloria Aleman**, Northfield, Early Childhood Education
- Moh Elmutasm Abdelroof Esha**, North Mankato, Welding
- Nicolai Mark Amende**, Mankato, Payroll Clerk
- Garrison James Anderson**, Faribault, Welding
- *** **Macy Jo Barrington**, Waseca, Early Childhood Education
- ***♦ **Leah Elizabeth Becker**, Blue Earth, Health Unit Coordinator
- Ricardo Bernal Jr.**, San Angelo, Welding
- ** **Bridgette J. Blowers**, New Richland, Computer Assistant
- Jessica Paige Bode**, Nicollet, Welding
- Luke Bongers**, Faribault, Welding
- Christopher Brock**, St. Peter, Welding
- * **Tristan Anthony Burrill-Bowen**, Northfield, Welding
- Rachel Byrne**, Faribault, Health Unit Coordinator
- Benjamin Cap**, Faribault, Welding
- ** **Charlie Cariveau**, Waseca, Welding
- ** **Joshua Carlson**, Austin, Cloud Computing and Virtualization
- ** **Joshua Carlson**, Austin, Computer Assistant
- Noah J. Caron**, Faribault, Welding
- *** **Jack Casey**, Shakopee, Welding
- Nancy Cate**, Faribault, Welding
- * **Knute Roger Christianson**, Faribault, Welding
- * **Hunter J. Conrad**, Morristown, Agronomy
- *** **Lauren R. Cowell**, Ellendale, Sustainable Microfarming
- Karen Janet Cruz Baez**, Faribault, Welding
- Samsam Abdirashid Dahir**, Owatonna, Computer Assistant, Web Programmer
- Wyatt G. DeGroot**, Faribault, Welding
- Jaymes L. Deree**, Lake Crystal, Advanced Agriculture Technician

- Kamden Lee Domeier**, Sherburn, Geographic Information Systems
- ** **Nathaniel M. Driscoll**, Vernon Center, Computer Assistant
- *** **Alizea Dunn**, Faribault, Welding
- ** **Logan Charles Epper**, Nicollet, Welding
- Carson A. Erickson**, Comfrey, Geographic Information Systems
- * **Robert Ferenchik**, New Ulm, Network Administration
- Cynthia Maria Foix**, Mankato, Computer Assistant, Network Administration
- *** **Omar Fonseca**, St. James, Health Unit Coordinator
- Malachi Daniels Ford**, Faribault, Welding
- Ian G. Frese**, Good Thunder, Computer Assistant
- Sergio Antonio Garcia**, Faribault, Welding
- *** **Jonathan Donald Gehrke**, Morristown, Welding
- Adam Matthew Goetsch**, North Mankato, Welding
- Keven Gomez**, Northfield, Welding
- Janell Groothuis**, Mankato, Early Childhood Education
- ** **Raiden Gruenzner**, Mankato, Welding
- ** **Sherman Paul Hagen**, St. Peter, Advanced Agriculture Technician
- Iris Hernandez Rodriguez**, Faribault, Phlebotomy
- Steven Hess Jr.**, LeSueur, Welding
- Mara S. Huisenga**, Blue Earth, Welding
- Murphy Wolfe Hawthorne Hunter**, Faribault, Computer Assistant
- *** **Riley Scott Huschle**, Nerstrand, Welding
- Abdulkadir A. Isaack**, Faribault, Welding
- *** **Jeremy A. Jacob**, Mankato, Computer Assistant, Network Administration
- Clayton J. Jans**, Waterville, Welding
- ** **Harlen Jindra**, Montgomery, Essentials of Farm Business Management
- * **John M. Jirele**, Owatonna, Welding
- * **Adyn Lee Johnson**, Faribault, Computer Assistant
- Charlie E. Johnson**, Lafayette, Applications in Farm Business Management, Essentials of Farm Business Management

Candidates for Certificates

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- *** **Ryan Eugene Davis**, Lonsdale, Mechatronics Engineering Technology
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South Central College provides an accessible and inclusive learning environment that cultivates student success and advances regional economic development.

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South Central College at a Glance

South Central College is a comprehensive community and technical college that is part of the Minnesota State system. The college offers classes at its campuses in Faribault and North Mankato, as well as online.

South Central College's program areas include Agriculture, Arts and Information Technology, Building and Design, Business, Health Sciences, Human Services and Education, Manufacturing, Transportation, Associate of Arts and multiple Transfer Pathway options. The college offers a wide variety of program awards in these areas, which prepare students to begin a rewarding career after graduation, transfer to a 4-year institution to pursue a bachelor's degree, or both.

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South Central College History

North Mankato Campus

Mankato Vocational School was founded in 1946 as the first public post-secondary vocational-technical school in Minnesota and was governed by the Mankato School District. The Kline Garage, in downtown Mankato, became the site for the vocational school, which offered programs in electrical careers, machine tool, and auto mechanics. In 1950, classes moved into the new Mankato Vocational School building, sharing a campus with the new Mankato High School. In fall 1968, the institution's current campus in North Mankato opened its doors with a new name: Mankato Area Vocational Technical Institute. In 1984 the name was abbreviated to Mankato Technical Institute.

To address needs of the college brought on by enrollment growth, the Minnesota State Board of Education approved a \$6 million construction project, which was started 1988-1989. The 100,000 sq. ft. addition (added to the original 200,000 sq. ft. building) was completed in 1989. At the same time, the mission changed to a degree granting technical college (Associate of Applied Science), resulting in an institutional name change: Mankato Technical College.

A merger joined Mankato Technical College with Albert Lea Technical College in order to create the new Albert Lea-Mankato Technical College in July of 1992, with the new institution governed by a regional board.

Faribault Campus

Faribault Area Vocational Technical Institute received its official designation in July 1964, based on the Faribault School District's long history of providing technical education. In the 1940's, one of Minnesota's first occupational programs in practical nursing was started in partnership with the hospital. The Minnesota State Board of Education approved a \$2 million construction project during the 1987 school year. As Faribault Technical Institute, the college was governed by the school district until 1992. In that year, Faribault Technical Institute merged with technical colleges in Austin and Rochester to form the joint vocational district named Minnesota Riverland Technical College, a degree-granting institution.

Campuses Joined Together

In 1995, the Faribault campus and North Mankato campus became part of the new legislatively created Minnesota State system of colleges and universities. The Mankato campus was realigned with the Faribault campus, and the college became South Central Technical College to depict the larger region of south central Minnesota.

In 2005, the Minnesota State system Board of Trustees approved South Central Technical College's request to expand its mission and provide an Associate of Arts degree in Arts and Sciences in addition to its technical degrees. In so doing, the institution became a comprehensive community and technical college, and the name was changed to South Central College.



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