

# President's/Dean's Lists for Spring Semester at HCC

Academic and technical students with exemplary quality point averages are recognized at the end of the fall and spring semesters by being named to the President's or Dean's list. To be eligible for such recognition a student must be enrolled in at least twelve semester hours.

To be placed on the President's List, a student must have a grade point average of 3.7 to 4.0 while a Dean's List student must have a grade point average of 3.4 to 3.69.

Students to both lists have been named following the 2026 Spring Semester at Holmes Community College.

## President's List

### Durant

Corbin Campbell, Jada Clay, Aiden Greer, Patrick Mitchell, Kyla Patterson

### Goodman

William Floyd, Shukeven Freeman, Tyler Holmes, Bobbie Hutto, Parker Word

### Kosciusko

Sophie Bell, Carlos Bocanegra, Amber Brown, Ja'Nekqwa Brown, Elijah Davis, Cristian Garcia, Diana Garcia, Layali Ghazi, Laiya Harmon, Maya Heron, Akeelah Hunt, Makayla Kast, Barrett Kuhn, Bralyn Mcgee, Madison Mennemeier, Ally Moore, Sarabeth Moore, Allyson Nichols, Emily Pope, Leonardo Poxes, Madison Reyes, Cameron Roby, Khanius Roby, Summer Steen, Jaqualen Winters, Brent

Zachery, Kelby Burrell, Moeisha Terry

### Lexington

Logan Engle, Fisher Gullledge, Xavier Hilliard, Trequan Hodges, Daynie Parish, Alina Traband

### Pickens

Nyrobie Price, Javelyn Reasor

### Sallis

Aiden Adcock, Luke Burchfield, Mason Fleming, James Jolley, Jayveon Phillips, Ty Quick, Ja'kyla Vaughn, Katerina Weatherby, Dakerrion Williams

### West

Brandolynn Ellard, Robert Keys, Monica Mallett, Christopher Terry

### Dean's List

#### Cruger

Valeria Lara, Sharonisha Bell

#### Durant

Donetha James, James Ward

#### Goodman

Brentin Foster, Kendle Sample

#### Kosciusko

Brooklyn Fleming, William Hodge, Andrew Mancell, Kortnie Montgomery, Makayla Riley, Amber Smith, Alli Sparks, Brandon Hutchison, Lorelai Bell, John Lowe, Israel Wilson, Katelyn Tollison

#### Lexington

Mikayah Dunn, AnQuone' Thompson, Detrick Thompson

#### Pickens

Tarriannah Cobbins, Keshawn Crayton

#### Tchula

Ariana Haymer

# Speaker Jason White Names Six New Select Committees to Advance Legislative Priorities

Jackson, MS – Speaker Jason White has announced the formation of six new House Select Committees to study key issues facing Mississippi and develop policy recommendations ahead of the 2027 Legislative Session. The newly established committees will focus on Government Efficiency, Property Taxes, Redistricting, Judicial Operations, Consolidation, and Specialty Schools.

Speaker White shared, "The Mississippi House of Representatives has consistently demonstrated a willingness to take on complex issues with thoughtful study, serious discussion, and deliberate action. Our Select Committee process allows members to engage stakeholders, examine policy from every angle, and build informed, conservative solutions that serve the people of Mississippi."

"As we prepare for the next legislative session, these six committees will focus on some of the most important structural and policy matters facing our state. Whether it is ensuring government operates more efficiently, evaluating our tax structure, strengthening our judicial system, or improving how specialized educational institutions serve Mississippi families, these committees will help shape meaningful legislation that reflects our commitment to responsible governance."

The Select Committee on Government Efficiency will review opportunities to streamline state government operations, reduce unnecessary bureaucracy, and identify ways taxpayer dollars can be used more effectively

and transparently.

The Select Committee on Property Taxes will examine Mississippi's property tax framework, explore reforms that provide relief to homeowners and businesses, and evaluate long-term strategies to ensure fairness and sustainability in local government funding.

The Select Committee on Redistricting will study current districting processes and legal considerations, ensuring Mississippi remains prepared to address future reapportionment with transparency, fairness, and adherence to constitutional requirements.

The Select Committee on Judicial Operations will focus on the structure and administration of Mississippi's court system, reviewing efficiency, access to justice, court resources, and opportunities to improve judicial processes statewide.

The Select Committee on Consolidation will evaluate opportunities for consolidation within our K-12 public schools as well as community college and IHL systems.

The Select Committee on Specialty Schools will study Mississippi's specialized educational institutions and programs, examining opportunities to strengthen educational access, improve outcomes, and ensure students with unique talents and needs receive the highest quality support and instruction.

"Following the success of previous Select Committees, which produced substantial legislation and meaningful reforms, the House is once again tak-

ing a proactive approach to governing," Speaker White added. "By beginning this work now, we will enter the next legislative session with clear priorities, well-developed policy solutions, and a continued focus on advancing commonsense conservative leadership for Mississippi."

Committee memberships and leadership appointments are listed below:

#### Select Committee on Government Efficiency:

Hank Zuber, Co-Chair  
Steve Lott, Co-Chair  
Elliot Burch  
Jim Estrada  
Bob Evans  
Kevin Felsher  
Kevin Ford  
Clay Mansell  
Missy McGee  
Jonathan McMillan  
Tracey Rosebud  
Randy Rushing  
Omeria Scott  
Troy Smith  
Beth Waldo  
Otha Williams  
Lee Yancey

#### Select Committee on Property Taxes:

Trey Lamar, Co-Chair  
Shane Barnett, Co-Chair  
Shane Aguirre  
Brent Anderson  
Manly Barton  
Cedric Burnett  
Bryant Clark  
Ronnie Crudup  
Clay Deweese  
Zach Grady  
Jeff Guice  
Josh Hawkins  
Hester Jackson-McCray  
Gene Newman  
Brent Powell

#### Select Committee on Redistricting:

Noah Sanford, Co-Chair

Kevin Horan, Co-Chair  
Scott Bounds  
Sam Creekmore  
Dan Eubanks  
Casey Eure  
Rodney Hall  
Joey Hood  
Lataisha Jackson  
Timaka James-Jones  
Brad Mattox  
Jay McKnight  
Carl Mickens  
Tracey Rosebud  
Mark Tullos

#### Select Committee on Judicial Operations:

Angela Cockerham, Co-Chair

Joey Hood, Co-Chair  
Lawrence Blackmon  
Chuck Blackwell  
Jimmy Fondren  
Justis Gibbs  
Kevin Horan  
Sam Mims  
Daryl Porter  
Noah Sanford  
Mark Tullos  
Percy Watson  
Shanda Yates

#### Select Committee on Consolidation:

Rob Roberson, Co-Chair  
Donnie Scoggin, Co-Chair  
Otis Anthony  
Tracy Arnold  
Donnie Bell  
Bubba Carpenter  
Gregory Elliott  
Greg Holloway  
Kenji Holloway  
Celeste Hurst  
Trey Lamar  
Kent McCarty  
Jansen Owen  
Kimberly Remak  
Rickey Thompson  
Bubba Tubb

#### Select Committee on Specialty Schools:

Steve Massengill, Co-Chair  
Andy Boyd, Co-Chair  
Chris Bell  
Becky Currie  
Kevin Felsher  
Stephanie Foster  
Karl Gibbs  
Vince Mangold  
Missy McGee  
Dana McLean  
Fabian Nelson  
Karl Oliver  
Jansen Owen  
Rob Roberson  
Robert Sanders  
Shanda Yates



I have a favorite blanket. Don't laugh. You probably do to. And if you don't now, you once did. Deny it and I'll just ask your momma, and she'll show me picture after picture of you with your thumb in your mouth and your blanket over your shoulder. My own son was not only attached to a certain blanket, but he also had a favorite corner of the blanket. I can remember that blanket having to be restored several times and ultimately becoming a series of knots that simply held one piece to the other. My blanket is special for a few reasons. It's only wide enough for me, it's camo, it's two layers of fleece, and my

daughter made it for me. Just writing about it makes me want to stop what I'm doing and go get it.

If you think about it, blankets are prized possessions of many women today. Except this blanket is no longer in use. It is for safe-keeping and for remembering family and events. It is their mother's or grandmother's quilt. It was put together one piece at a time from swatches of clothing or fabric that had made its way to the rag pile. Part of a coat has been sewn to a strip of a worn-out shirt. The other side of that shirt is attached to the leftover seat of an old pair of blue jeans. A portion of a baseball jersey

is attached to a sliver of your first pair of pajamas. Each piece seemingly no longer of any value on its own and seemingly without any connection to the other. And yet there it is, one whole tapestry, completely understood, and of immeasurable value. All from what was once falling-apart, worthless swatches of unconnected material. Except to the seamstress. Except to the one who was there for the first onesie and the first silky blanket. Except for the one who understood that each section was always a part of the whole, that there were no random events, and there were no worthless pieces.

God is taking every swatch of your life and sewing them

together. What you see as worthless and worn-out, He sees as indispensable and ready for its best use. What you see as unconnected, God sees as vital to the whole. What you see as insignificant, He sees as essential in who He is making you to be. And what you see as a flaw, He sees as what will be someone's favorite corner of your life. God has been there from the very beginning, and not one piece of your life will be wasted. Individually they may not make sense, but God is bigger than your pieces. He is not only making you into a quilt to be admired and remembered, but also into a blanket to be used to bring comfort and assurance to others.

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