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Triton College Graduates Surpass Pre-Pandemic Numbers

RIVER GROVE, Ill. – Triton College graduation numbers have surpassed pre-pandemic records, with 745 students graduating in the spring of 2023. This is the highest number of graduating students that Triton College has had in eight years.

"Students truly feel like they have a place here at Triton," said Dr. Jodi Koslow Martin, vice president of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs. "Our graduation numbers show the resilience of our students and reflect the communities that we serve."

Dr. Koslow Martin credits the HEERF Act (Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds), with assisting students with tuition, housing costs, childcare and transportation, and has helped students succeed past the pandemic and in setting them up for future success.

Most importantly, Dr. Koslow Martin feels that students have been drawn to Triton College's many programs which lead to a promising career and future.

"Triton is here to help support students," said Dr. Koslow Martin. "Their goals are our goals. Besides receiving a great education, Triton offers potential job opportunities in business, technology, health care and education. We have high quality faculty members to guide our students through their academic pathway."

Dr. Koslow Martin explained that Triton has increased the level of support for students, helping them in subjects such as English and math. This has also assisted students achieve success when transferring to a four-year university.

"More than ever, we are seeing a high number of students wanting to participate in the graduation ceremony," she explained. "The pandemic showed us the importance of enjoying celebrations with our loved ones and to honor our accomplishments."

After the pandemic, Dr. Koslow Martin said many college graduates are committed to making a difference in their communities. They have entered fields in the health care field as well as becoming first responders, and they have demonstrated the ability to persist and overcome barriers.

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ABOUT TRITON COLLEGE

Triton College is a two-year college dedicated to helping members of the 25 Western Cook County communities in our district and beyond to achieve educational, professional and personal success. Located in River Grove, Ill., Triton offers more than 120 degree and certificate programs on its 110-acre campus, featuring a comfortable, friendly and diverse atmosphere. Triton also holds classes at satellite locations and offers online learning opportunities. Triton's dedicated faculty and staff work to provide high quality, convenient and affordable educational opportunities to more than 14,000 students each year. Triton College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission. Learn more at http://www.triton.edu/.