Faculty Attendance and Participation in Activities and Events

Faculty members are expected to attend and participate in university, college and departmental meetings and official ceremonies such as graduation, honors, induction and hooding. According to University Rule 12.01.99.C1.03, all full-time teaching faculty are expected to: “Engage in college and university activities in a collegial manner; that is, work cooperatively with colleagues and share in the responsibility of group endeavors that further the mission of the department, college, and the university.” Participation in department, college and university activities is given consideration in determining promotion, tenure and merit pay. The COEHD recognizes students’ success in the four events throughout the year: Dean’s List Reception, Induction Ceremony, Hooding Ceremony and Commencement Ceremony.

Dean’s List Reception
At the beginning of each semester, COEHD undergraduate students who complete a minimum twelve hours and achieved a 3.65 GPA or higher in the previous semester are honored at a Dean’s List reception. The reception, held in the COEHD lobby, provides students with the opportunity to meet the dean, visit with faculty and staff, and talk to other honor students. COEHD summer students are eligible if they complete at least 12 hours over the summer and obtain a 3.65 or higher GPA. The dean presents each attendee with a T-shirt designating the academic year and COEHD Dean’s List honor. Each year the color of the T-shirts changes and students are encouraged to acquire a rainbow before graduation. An alternate day is provided for T-shirt pickup. They may also come to the dean’s office to pick-up their T-shirt any business day before the end of the semester for those students unable to attend the reception. Students are limited to one T-shirt per ceremony; two per academic year.

Induction Ceremony
Each fall and spring semester, the College of Education and Human Development holds a Induction ceremony to celebrate those individuals who are planning to become teachers. All students who have been accepted into the undergraduate Teacher Education program or graduate Masters and Certification (MAC) program receive invitations to attend this special recognition. Families are encouraged to join the students for the formal induction ceremony. Special remarks by a guest speaker (usually a practicing educator) highlight the ceremony. An explanation of the pin design and its significance is presented as well. While onstage, each student is identified by name, program of study and future teaching aspiration. Welcomed by the chair of the Department of Teacher Education, each student is presented the official pin of the Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi College of Education and Human Development by the dean of the College.
Hooding Ceremony
Each semester, the College of Education and Human Development holds a Hooding ceremony as a formal recognition of student’s attainment of their masters or doctoral degree. All graduate students in the College of Education and Human Development receive invitations to attend this special recognition. As well as honoring our students, this ceremony allows them to formally recognize the family and friends who have helped make their success possible. Special remarks by a guest speaker highlight the ceremony. An explanation of the hood and its significance is presented as well. While onstage, each graduate is identified by name, program of study and the student’s short speech is read while the student is hooded by two professors, chosen by the student, who contributed to their academic success.