



## **Press Release**

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## Galena Park High School Student Surprised as a KPRC 2 Senior Scholarship Winner

Houston, Texas: Houston's KPRC 2 made a surprise visit to Galena Park High School (GPHS) to award student, Jacob Quintanilla with a \$2,500 KPRC 2 Senior Scholarship.

The KPRC and Texas Mattress Makers' Senior Scholarship Award program surprises 20 graduating high school seniors with a \$2,500 scholarship over the course of the Spring semester. Each week, a scholarship recipient is featured on KPRC 2's morning newscast.

When KPRC Anchor, Christine Noël, surprised Quintanilla in the GPHS library, Principal Kim Martin, Mrs. Brandi Couch, GPHS academic advisor and Mr. Sean LaBua, GPHS counselor, were cheering him on as he walked into the room.

Galena Park High School Academic Advisor, Brandi Couch, nominated Quintanilla for the scholarship and said he is very deserving of this award.

"Each year, we are tasked with choosing two students for the KPRC Channel 2 Scholarship who demonstrate service, excellence in academics, and perseverance. As Jacob's student council sponsor, I have witnessed first-hand his willingness to serve and to grow as a leader," Couch said. "Jacob has known a lot of hardship in his life, but his kindness, generosity, and academic achievement prove that he has the determination to overcome any obstacles in his way."

Quintanilla will graduate in June and plans to attend the University of Houston to study computer science.

Congratulations, Jacob!



Pictured: Jacob Quintanilla

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