

Graduation Schedule

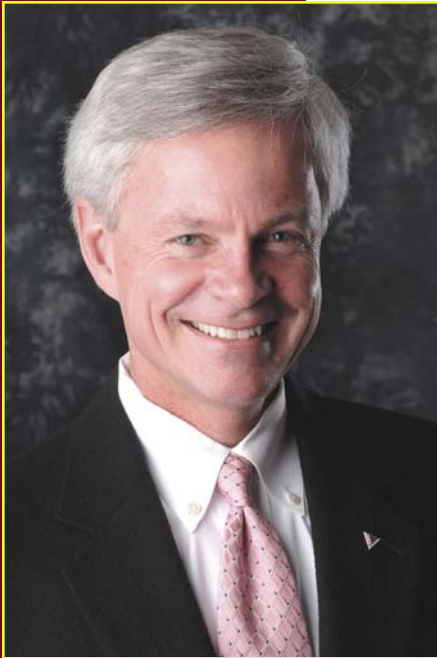
Johnson County Community College will have its commencement exercises at 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 18, in the Gymnasium.

Rod Risley, executive director, Phi Theta Kappa, will be the speaker.

The GED graduation is at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 15, in the Gymnasium. Staff Sgt. Dale McKee, U.S. Army, will be the keynote speaker.

Other graduations:

- Respiratory Care, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, Polsky Theatre
- Nursing Pinning, 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, Yardley Hall
- Honors Graduation, 7 p.m. Thursday, May 17, room 211 of the Carlsen Center
- Dental Hygiene, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 17, Polsky Theatre
- Cosmetology, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 22, Polsky Theatre
- LPN Pinning, 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 23, Polsky Theatre



Rod Risley

Risley Speaks at JCCC Commencement

Executive director of Phi Theta Kappa Rod Risley will be the speaker for JCCC's commencement at 7:30 p.m.

Friday, May 18, in the Gymnasium. A reception follows in the Commons Plaza.

Risley was PTK's national president in 1974-75 while a student at San Jacinto College, Texas, where he earned his bachelor's degree. He joined PTK's headquarters staff in 1977 as director of alumni affairs and became associate director in 1982. In 1985, he was named the second-ever executive director for the society.

Under his leadership PTK, the international honor society of the two-year college, has experienced unparalleled growth expanding from 550 chapters to more than 1,200. Chapters have been chartered in all 50 states, U.S. Territories, Canada, Germany, the British Virgin Islands,

Republics of Palau, Micronesia and Marshall Islands, and United Arab Emirate. The society inducts nearly 100,000 students annually and is the largest honor society in higher education in terms of chapters and number of members.

Risley helped conceive and launch PTK's nationally acclaimed Leadership Development Studies Program, All-USA Academic Team for Community Colleges, All-State Academic Team program and Guistwhite Scholarship program.

Under Risley, procurement of scholarship funds for PTK members has been a top priority. Today, more than 600 four-year colleges and universities offer \$36 million in scholarships exclusively for PTK members.

Central to the recent growth of PTK is Risley's