Congratulations to the Recipients of the St. David’s School of Nursing’s Senior 2020 Excellence Recognitions!

The undergraduate faculty of the St. David’s School of Nursing annually recognizes senior nursing students who have excelled in four areas: Academics, Leadership, Service, and Clinical Practice.

This year the faculty are proud to announce the following students have been recognized:

**Academics:** This award recognizes the student(s) with the highest grade point average in the Senior Nursing Class of 2020. This award is calculated on the first four semesters of the nursing program and presented annually to the most deserving graduating nursing student(s).

Kailee Hall  
Abigail Lacey

**Leadership:** This award is presented to a graduating BSN student whose leadership excels each academic year. Students are considered for this award based on their participation in professional leadership activities including, but not limited to, student and community organizations. Students receiving this award are also highly respected by faculty and fellow students while using their leadership abilities to positively impact the School, College, University and community.

Sarah Todd
Sarah was recognized for her work as the President of the Student Nursing Organization, which led to a significant increase in the organization’s service activities, professional development programs, and membership increase of 80%. She also was extremely active in the planning of the annual Halloween event and Survivor field day, while also serving as a voice on the Faculty/Student Governance Committee. During her time on the San Marcos campus, she participated in the “Bobcat Build” day every year and attempted to increase the participation of “Bobcat Build” on the Round Rock Campus. Her work with Bobcat Build will leave a legacy with the School of Nursing.

**Service:** This award is presented to a graduating BSN student whose performance excels each academic year. Students are considered for this award based on their participation in both school and community sponsored events and volunteer activities.

Allyson served as an officer in the Student Nursing Organization, helped coordinate the School of Nursing Blood Drive, and supervised and decorated for the annual Halloween party. She served as a student tutor for other nursing students, while also serving as a peer-to-peer mentor. Allyson’s most notable service was to the community of children and families with cancer. She has served as a volunteer with Camp Discovery for the last 8 years. In addition to these activities, she served as a summer camp bunkhouse counselor at the Texas Lions Camp, helping children with physical disabilities meet their activities of daily living and fully participate in camp.

**Clinical:** This award is presented to a graduating BSN student whose clinical performance excels each academic year. Students receiving this award are recognized for their consistent clinical excellence throughout the nursing program. Students have demonstrated superior clinical reasoning and application of nursing process within multiple clinical settings and performed with excellence during their Capstone clinical experience.

Trevor was recognized for his special qualities of caring and compassion combined with sound application of theory to practice, thus exhibiting the art and science of nursing. Throughout his clinical learning experiences, he demonstrated excellent assessment skills and ability to identify connections between a patient’s health history and current clinical presentation. Trevor had a warm and calm bedside demeanor and was easily able to establish a rapport with patients, families and staff. These attributes, combined with his effortless organization and attention to detail, show why he was chosen for the award.