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25th Navajo Nation Council congratulates Diné College graduates

PHOTO: At the Diné College Winter Commencement Ceremony, Speaker Curley delivered a message centered on perseverance, faith, and life teachings.

TSAILE, Ariz. – On Friday, 25th Navajo Nation Council Speaker Crystalyne Curley had the honor of providing the keynote address at the Diné College Winter Commencement Ceremony in recognition of 91 new graduates who received certificates and degrees, in Tsaile, Arizona.

On behalf of the 25th Navajo Nation Council, Speaker Curley delivered a message centered on perseverance, faith, and life teachings.

“Persevere, have faith in yourself to keep moving forward to challenge every obstacle ahead of you,” said Speaker Curley.

Diné College President, Dr. Charles “Monty” Roessel introduced Speaker Curley as a fierce individual leading the path of change as the first female Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council.

Dr. Roessel also highlighted Speaker Curley’s educational accomplishments including two bachelor’s Degrees from Arizona State University and a master’s in public administration from the University of New Mexico. Speaker has also served as a policy analyst with Diné College
and the Navajo Government Development Office as well as serving as the ambassador of the Nation during her reign as Miss Navajo from 2011-2012.

Speaker Curley shared her personal experience reflecting on many of the challenges and stresses students face during their personal journeys. The graduates reacted with applause, smiles, and laughs as they related to those uncertainties.

She also acknowledged and thanked Diné College faculty, staff, and Diné College Board of Regents for rising to the occasion to support the education and cultural goals of all the students.

“On your journey, always remember your roots, stand strong, be proud that you are solidifying a path for our future leaders on Navajo. Congratulations graduates, may you walk in beauty,” said Speaker Curley.

Council Delegate Dr. Andy Nez was also in attendance to offer his support for the graduates and their families.

The 25th Navajo Nation Council congratulates the graduates and their families and thanks Diné College for educating and inspiring our Navajo people.

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