

Collin County Going the Extra Mile (GEM) Recognition Form

Honoree's Name: Matthew Jester
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Honoree's Job Title: Detention Officer

Department: Admission/Release

Years of Service with the County: 8 Years

Why the Honoree is receiving a GEM Award including dates:

Consistent expectations are essential in a detention facility, and the arraignment room presents a dynamic environment with frequent changes that require adaptability. Officer Jester has consistently demonstrated the ability to meet these challenges effectively.

He proactively addresses issues related to missing or incomplete arrest paperwork by coordinating with outside agencies prior to arraignment, helping to reduce recurring documentation problems and strengthen professional relationships. He has also developed strong working relationships with Arraignment Judges and Magistration Clerks, which supports efficient communication and smooth operations within Admissions and Releases.

This rapport has been especially valuable when handling last-minute additions to arraignment lists, including high-profile cases, allowing changes to be managed efficiently despite potential disruptions. Officer Jester is well respected by Magistrate Judges and, when necessary, is able to obtain timely clarification or signatures outside of normal hours to ensure the continuity of court operations.

Officer Jester's efforts are more than deserving of the Collin County G.E.M Award.

Approved by elected official or department head on the 24th day of JUNE 2026

Jim Skinner
Signature of Elected Official
Or Department Head

Jim Skinner Sheriff
Printed Name