

# LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST

For Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025

Submitted to the  
Office of the Governor, Budget Division,  
and the Legislative Budget Board

by

Weatherford College of the Parker County  
Junior College District

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William Robert Marlett, Ed.D.	December 2023	Bridgeport, Texas

Date of Submission: August 5, 2022

Dr. Tod Allen Farmer  
President

Mac Smith  
Chairman

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Weatherford College, established in 1869, is the oldest continuing two-year college west of the Mississippi River. Located in Weatherford, Texas, the college also has a branch campus in Wise County and an education center in Granbury, TX. The college, a member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, is a fully accredited two-year institution of higher education with state approval to offer bachelor degrees.

The college is governed by an eight-member board of trustees of which seven members are elected at large for a term of six years and one member is appointed for a two-year term. Members of the board of trustees' names and terms are as follows:

Mac Smith, Chairman, 2019-2025, Weatherford, Texas  
Judy Mc Anally, 2019-2025, Weatherford, Texas  
Dan Carney, 2021-2027, Weatherford, Texas  
Doug Dowd, 2021-2023, Weatherford, Texas  
G.B. Bailey, 2022-2023, Weatherford, Texas  
Dr. Trev Dixon, 2021-2027, Weatherford, Texas  
Lela Morris, 2017-2023, Weatherford, Texas  
Dr. William Robert Marlett, 2021-2023, Bridgeport, Texas

The administration under the direction of this eight-member board of trustees is dedicated to an adopted mission of embracing a culture of excellence, fostering the success of all its students and enriching the communities it serves through innovative, affordable, and accessible learning and cultural opportunities.

As a publicly supported, comprehensive community college, Weatherford College primarily serves the needs of the citizens of its five county service area through teaching, public service, and learning and cultural experiences.

Weatherford College offers courses pursuant to a spectrum of educational goals:

- Bachelor of Science in Nursing
- Associate of Arts degree
- Associate of Science degree
- Associate of Applied Science degree
- Field of Study transfer majors
- Core transfer curriculum
- Workforce training
- Adult literacy and other basic skills
- Personal enrichment

Weatherford College maintains a culture of caring that encourages student pursuit of educational excellence. The culture of caring warmly welcomes students to an organization driven by the Presidential Core Values of faith, hope and love. The College offers counseling and guidance to help students identify and attain their personal goals. Weatherford College requires professional development of all full-time employees and encourages research to seek out, develop, and implement methods to improve student learning. Weatherford College also conducts research to ensure that the College offers programs that contribute to the cultural and economic wellbeing of the service area citizens. Weatherford College fosters a culture that embraces diversity and inclusion. The college embraces continuous improvement through

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systematic and regular planning, execution, assessment, and improvement. The strategic plan adopted by the board of trustees is the foundation for all decisions relating to institutional effectiveness and the allocation of physical and human resources.

**SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN POLICY IMPACTING BUDGET REQUEST**

There are no significant changes in policy which impacts this budget request.

**SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN PROVISION OF SERVICES**

Weatherford College is committed to student success in Texas in order to guarantee the future success of the state and its economy. With this strong commitment to the success of our students, the college has endured the many challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic during the last two and a half years, resulting in one of the most severe economic times of this century. During this time, Weatherford College has continued to expand programs to meet the workforce needs of our community and provide the opportunity for students to receive a college education.

The RN to BSN program that began fall 2020 has been further developed in response to the critical nursing shortage. The program designed to reach out to the associate degree nurses that have graduated over the last 18 years from WC, continues to allow for greater job opportunity and upward mobility. The College added evening cohorts in its Associate Degree Nursing Programs at its Weatherford and Wise County Campuses in 2021 to provide more registered nurses for our region and state. Registered Nursing remains on the Demand Occupations list from the Texas Workforce Commission.

Other disciplines that have demonstrated an increased workforce need due to the COVID-19 pandemic are Respiratory Care, Sonography, Occupational Therapy, and Physical Therapy Assistants. As the need for trained respiratory therapists with ventilator experience increases, these individuals will be an integral member of the health care team. Occupational therapy assistants and physical therapist assistants are also identified as a growing discipline to care for those affected by the coronavirus. After a long-term hospitalization, rehabilitation needs of individuals with motor, cardiac, and respiratory deficiencies will be needed. The College created a Cardiovascular Sonography program to meet the demands for this specialization. Although these disciplines are not identified on the targeted occupations list, the COVID-19 pandemic has demonstrated an increased need for individuals with these skills.

The College has also added baccalaureate degrees in Organizational Leadership and Medical and Health Services Management. The former has proven to be of great service to paraprofessionals in the region seeking advancement opportunities. The latter is included on the Demand Occupations list.

As a result of the adoption of Weatherford College's strategic plan, in January 2022 a new Workforce and Emerging Technologies Building opened its doors to meet the educational needs of the students and community served by Weatherford College. This facility houses the local Workforce Solutions Center to assist students in securing jobs and putting the citizens of Texas back to work. It is essential that Weatherford College receive sufficient base funding to provide educational services to the growing number of students in both academic and workforce training areas.

**SIGNIFICANT EXTERNALITIES**

Weatherford College's enrollment continues to experience growth since the seven percent decline due to the pandemic in 2019-2020. In fall 2021, after having transitioned to in-person classes with additional online classes added, enrollments increased by five percent. Based on early enrollments, the college is expecting an additional five

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percent increase in enrollment in the fall of 2022. Weatherford College continues to welcome its students to its campus by offering diverse in-person, online and hybrid classes. Weatherford College also continues to meet the needs of all students through student services enhanced and expanded student orientations, improved student information systems, and expanded student life opportunities.

With many individuals still out of work, students and their families have experienced a significant decrease in household earnings coupled with high gas prices and an all-time high inflation rate of 9.1%, leaving leading students who are contemplating a return to the classroom in serious need of financial aid. Although these needs have been met during the pandemic with additional federal funds, the demand for financial aid of Weatherford College students still exceeds the availability of state and federal assistance in the coming year and the 2024-25 biennium. It is imperative that Weatherford College continue to keep tuition rates affordable during this time.

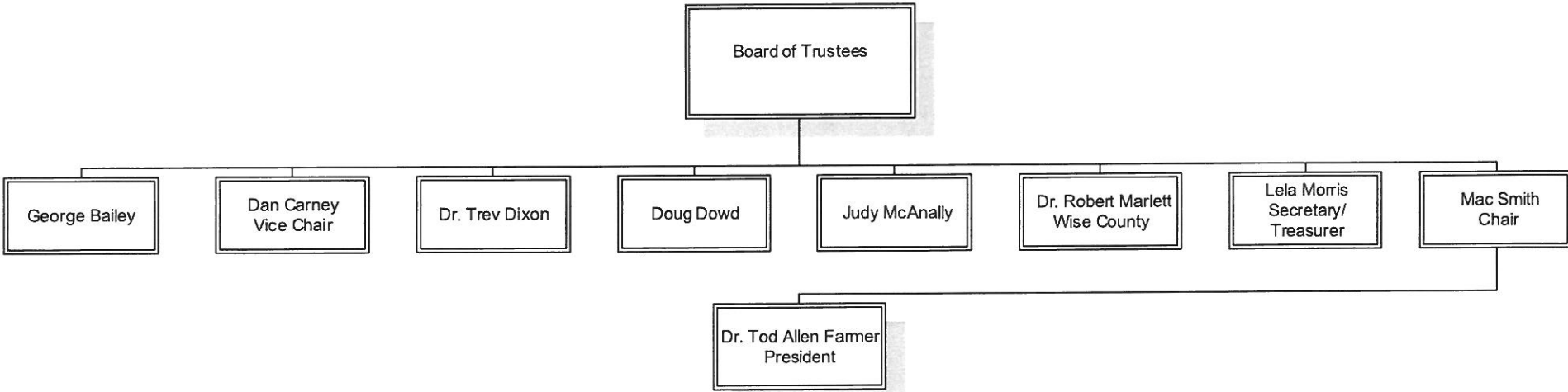
**SUPPORT FOR TACC FORMULA FUNDING REQUEST**

Weatherford College respectfully supports the \$2.03 billion formula funding request submitted by the Texas Association of Community Colleges (TACC) in its letter to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor's Office, Budget Division. State support remains critical to the district as it continues to fulfil its statutory role and mission to offer vocational, technical, and academic courses for certification or associate degrees. Together with Texas' other 49 community college districts, we will continue to do much of the heavy lifting in the state's efforts to achieve the Building a Talent Strong Texas strategic plan. Expanded state investments in community colleges will support dual credit courses that give high school students an early start in postsecondary education; initiatives to recruit uncredentialed Texans and support them through graduation; and the creation and expansion of programs built on the skills necessary for gainful employment and Texas' continued economic growth.

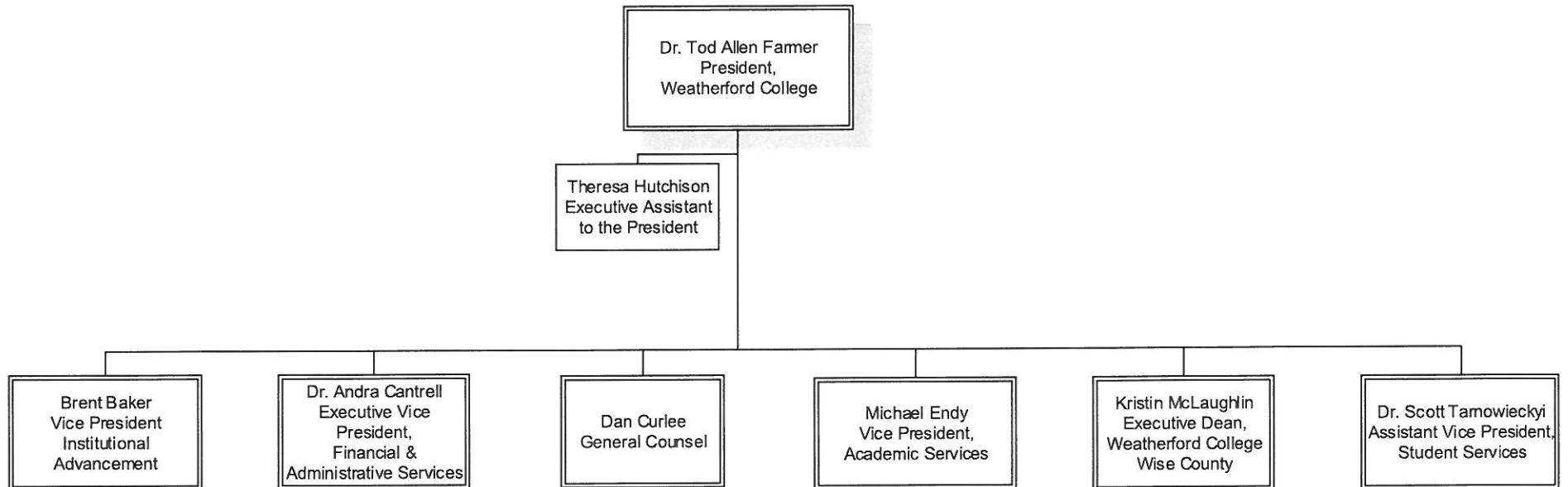
In response to the economic downturn resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, Texas community colleges began developing a workforce initiative aimed at providing low or no-cost short-term workforce training leading to high-demand credentials to Texans whose employment and/or academics had been recently disrupted. Weatherford College respectfully supports the \$50M exceptional item request submitted by TACC in support of this statewide workforce initiative, funded in the amount of \$1M per college district for the 2022-23 biennium.

The opportunity to present the Weatherford College Legislative Appropriation Request for your consideration is greatly appreciated.

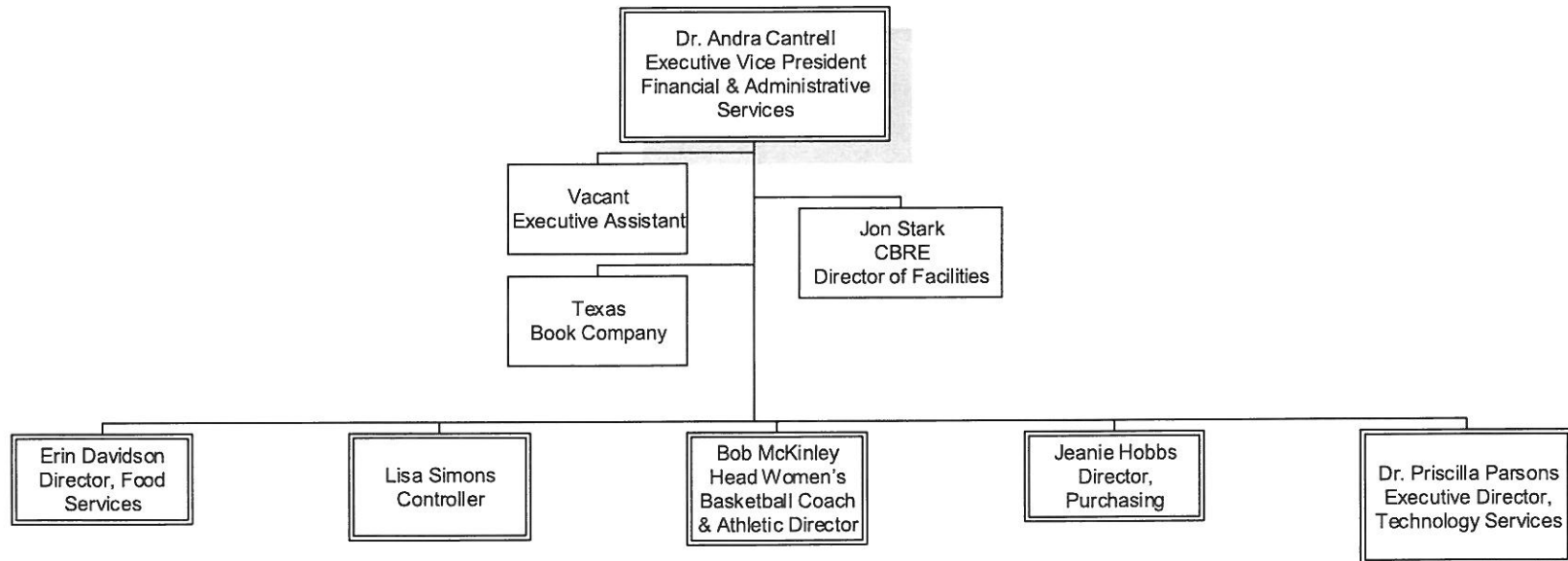
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# Weatherford College Office of the President 2021 – 2022

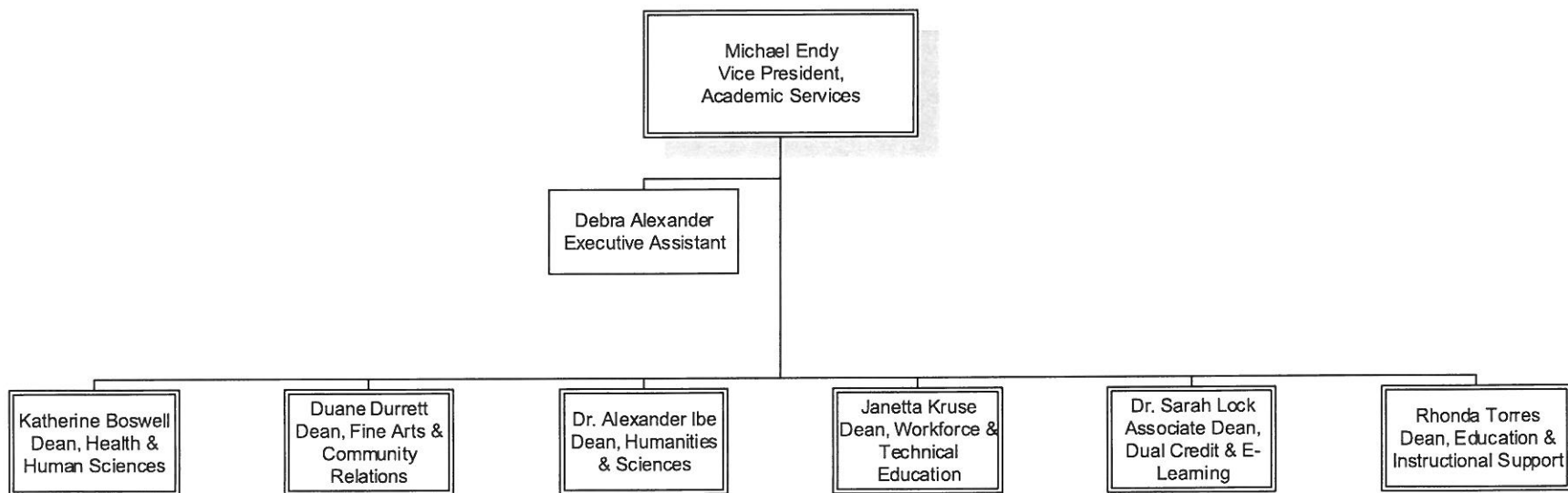


# Weatherford College Financial & Administrative Services 2021 – 2022

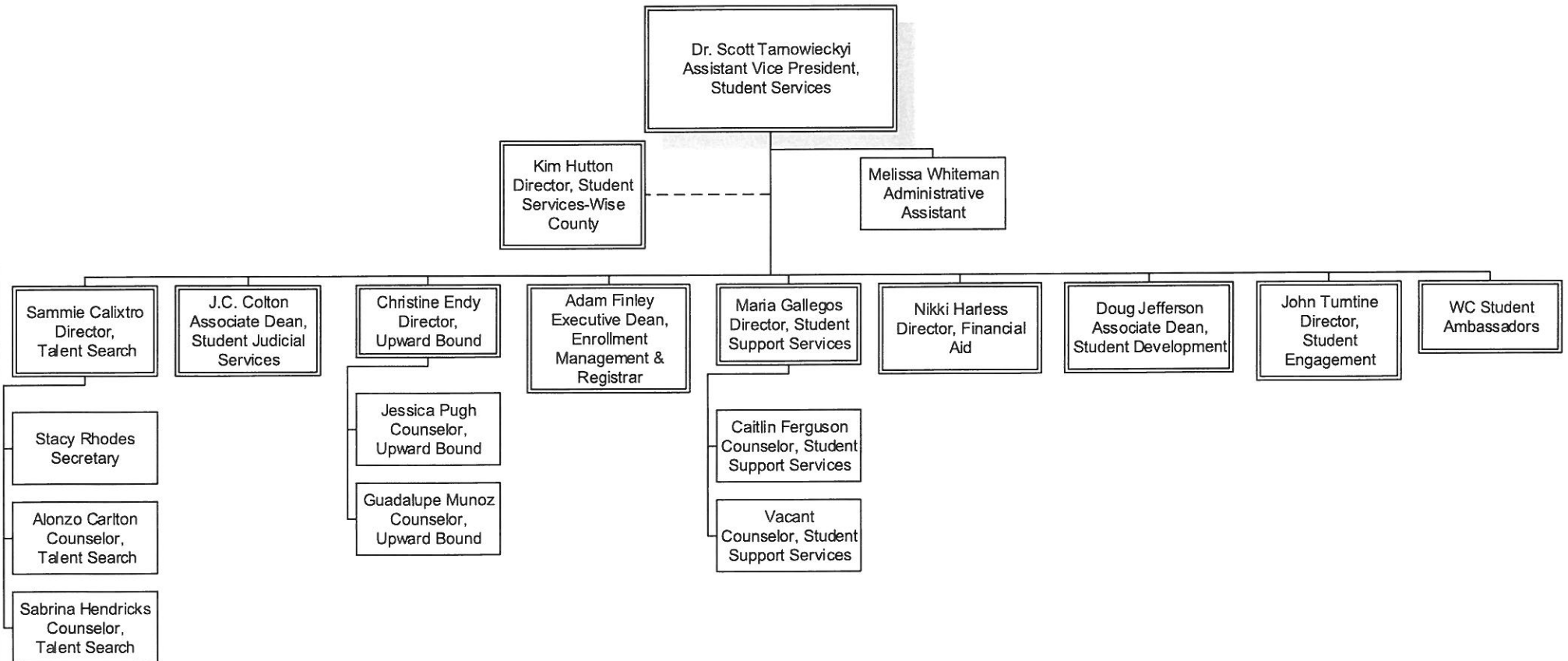




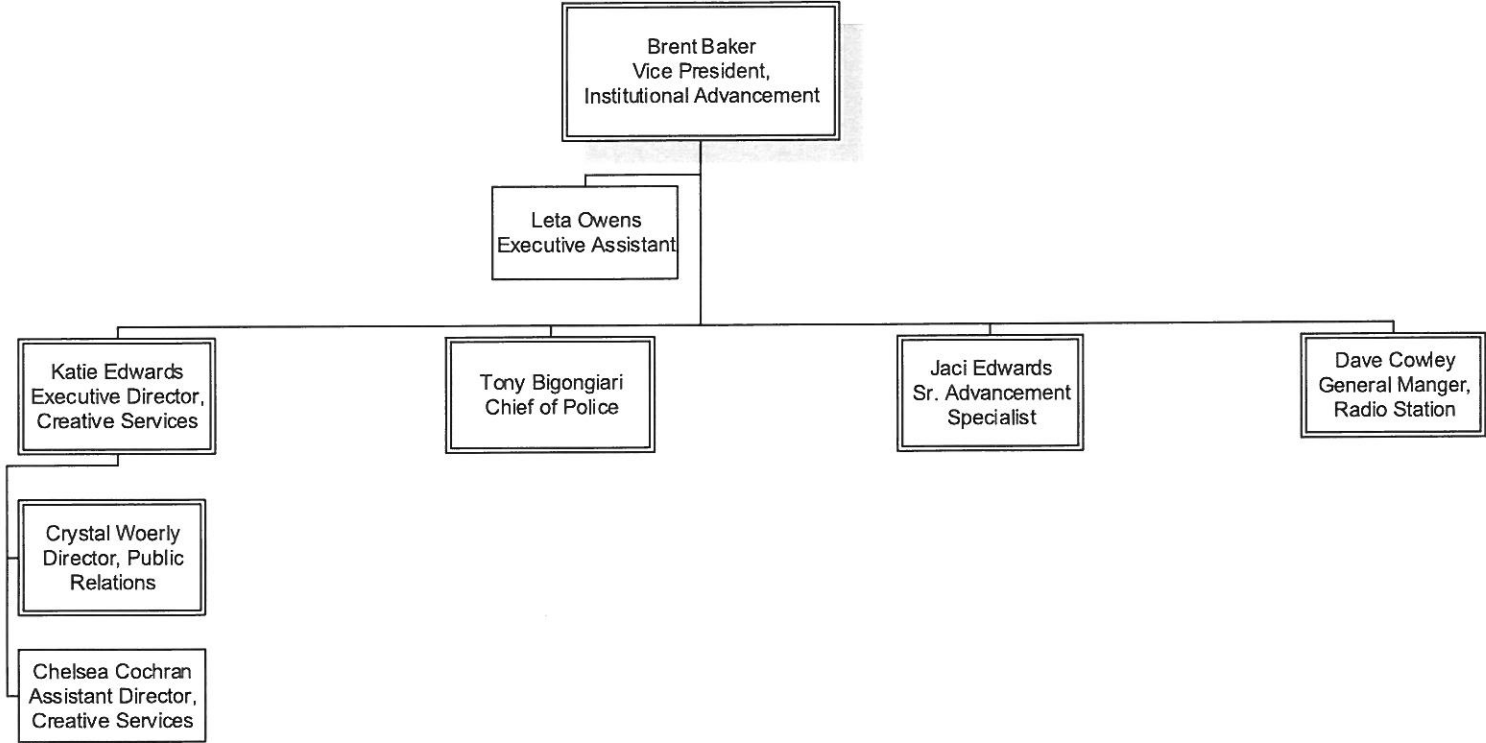
# Weatherford College Academic Services 2021 – 2022



# Weatherford College Student Services 2021 – 2022



# Weatherford College Institutional Advancement 2021 – 2022





## CERTIFICATE

**Agency Name** Weatherford College

This is to certify that the information contained in the agency Legislative Appropriations Request filed with the Legislative Budget Board (LBB) and the Governor's Office Budget Division (Governor's Office) is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that the electronic submission to the LBB via the Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST) and the PDF file submitted via the LBB Document Submission application are identical.

Additionally, should it become likely at any time that unexpended balances will accrue for any account, the LBB and the Governor's Office will be notified in writing in accordance with Article IX, Section 7.01 (2022-23 GAA).

**Chief Executive Officer or Presiding Judge**

Tod Allen Farmer  
Signature

Tod Allen Farmer  
Printed Name

President  
Title

August 5, 2022  
Date

**Chief Financial Officer**

Andra R. Cantrell  
Signature

Andra R. Cantrell  
Printed Name

Executive Vice President  
Title

August 5, 2022  
Date

**Board or Commission Chair**

Mac Smith  
Signature

Mac Smith  
Printed Name

Chairman of the Board of Trustees  
Title

August 5, 2022  
Date

2.A. Summary of Base Request by Strategy

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Goal / Objective / STRATEGY	Exp 2021	Est 2022	Bud 2023	Req 2024	Req 2025
<b>1</b> Provide Instruction					
<b>1</b> Provide Administration and Instructional Services					
<b>1</b> CORE OPERATIONS (1)	680,406	680,406	680,406	0	0
<b>2</b> SUCCESS POINTS (1)	967,298	1,400,409	1,400,408	0	0
<b>3</b> CONTACT HOUR FUNDING (1)	7,411,974	6,844,519	6,844,518	0	0
TOTAL, GOAL <b>1</b>	<b>\$9,059,678</b>	<b>\$8,925,334</b>	<b>\$8,925,332</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
TOTAL, AGENCY STRATEGY REQUEST	<b>\$9,059,678</b>	<b>\$8,925,334</b>	<b>\$8,925,332</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
TOTAL, AGENCY RIDER APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST*				<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
GRAND TOTAL, AGENCY REQUEST	<b>\$9,059,678</b>	<b>\$8,925,334</b>	<b>\$8,925,332</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>METHOD OF FINANCING:</b>					
<b>General Revenue Funds:</b>					
1 General Revenue Fund	9,059,678	8,925,334	8,925,332	0	0
SUBTOTAL	<b>\$9,059,678</b>	<b>\$8,925,334</b>	<b>\$8,925,332</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING	<b>\$9,059,678</b>	<b>\$8,925,334</b>	<b>\$8,925,332</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

(1) - Formula funded strategies are not requested in 2024-25 because amounts are not determined by institutions.

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<b>Goal / Objective / STRATEGY</b>	<b>Exp 2021</b>	<b>Est 2022</b>	<b>Bud 2023</b>	<b>Req 2024</b>	<b>Req 2025</b>
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\*Rider appropriations for the historical years are included in the strategy amounts.

**2.B. Summary of Base Request by Method of Finance**  
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Agency code: 987		Agency name: Weatherford College				
METHOD OF FINANCING		Exp 2021	Est 2022	Bud 2023	Req 2024	Req 2025
<b><u>GENERAL REVENUE</u></b>						
<b><u>1</u></b> General Revenue Fund						
REGULAR APPROPRIATIONS						
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2020-21 GAA)						
		\$9,059,678	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2022-23 GAA)						
		\$0	\$8,925,334	\$8,925,332	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL,</b>	<b>General Revenue Fund</b>	<b>\$9,059,678</b>	<b>\$8,925,334</b>	<b>\$8,925,332</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>TOTAL, ALL</b>	<b>GENERAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$9,059,678</b>	<b>\$8,925,334</b>	<b>\$8,925,332</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>\$9,059,678</b>	<b>\$8,925,334</b>	<b>\$8,925,332</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>FULL-TIME-EQUIVALENT POSITIONS</b>						
<b>TOTAL, ADJUSTED FTES</b>						

**2.B. Summary of Base Request by Method of Finance**  
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**METHOD OF FINANCING**

**Exp 2021**

**Est 2022**

**Bud 2023**

**Req 2024**

**Req 2025**

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**NUMBER OF 100% FEDERALLY FUNDED  
FTEs**



**2.F. Summary of Total Request by Strategy**  
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Agency code: 987	Agency name: Weatherford College					
<b>Goal/Objective/STRATEGY</b>	<b>Base 2024</b>	<b>Base 2025</b>	<b>Exceptional 2024</b>	<b>Exceptional 2025</b>	<b>Total Request 2024</b>	<b>Total Request 2025</b>
1 Provide Instruction						
1 Provide Administration and Instructional Services						
1 CORE OPERATIONS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2 SUCCESS POINTS	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 CONTACT HOUR FUNDING	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL, GOAL 1</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>TOTAL, AGENCY STRATEGY REQUEST</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>TOTAL, AGENCY RIDER APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST</b>						
<b>GRAND TOTAL, AGENCY REQUEST</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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Agency code: 987                      Agency name: Weatherford College

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<i>Goal/Objective/STRATEGY</i>	<b>Base 2024</b>	<b>Base 2025</b>	<b>Exceptional 2024</b>	<b>Exceptional 2025</b>	<b>Total Request 2024</b>	<b>Total Request 2025</b>
<b>General Revenue Funds:</b>						
1 General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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**FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS**

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	<b>Total I &amp; A Enrollment</b>	<b>Local Non I &amp; A</b>	<b>Total Enrollment</b>
<b>FULL TIME ACTIVES</b>			
1a Employee Only	117	10	127
2a Employee and Children	52	9	61
3a Employee and Spouse	31	0	31
4a Employee and Family	69	0	69
5a Eligible, Opt Out	2	0	2
6a Eligible, Not Enrolled	7	1	8
<b>Total for this Section</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>298</b>
<b>PART TIME ACTIVES</b>			
1b Employee Only	1	0	1
2b Employee and Children	0	0	0
3b Employee and Spouse	1	0	1
4b Employee and Family	0	0	0
5b Eligible, Opt Out	0	0	0
6b Eligible, Not Enrolled	0	0	0
<b>Total for this Section</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Total Active Enrollment</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>300</b>

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	<b>Total I &amp; A Enrollment</b>	<b>Local Non I &amp; A</b>	<b>Total Enrollment</b>
<b>FULL TIME RETIREES by ERS</b>			
1c Employee Only	80	2	82
2c Employee and Children	3	0	3
3c Employee and Spouse	35	0	35
4c Employee and Family	2	0	2
5c Eligible, Opt Out	0	0	0
6c Eligible, Not Enrolled	0	0	0
<b>Total for this Section</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>122</b>
<b>PART TIME RETIREES by ERS</b>			
1d Employee Only	0	0	0
2d Employee and Children	0	0	0
3d Employee and Spouse	0	0	0
4d Employee and Family	0	0	0
5d Eligible, Opt Out	0	0	0
6d Eligible, Not Enrolled	0	0	0
<b>Total for this Section</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total Retirees Enrollment</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>122</b>
<b>TOTAL FULL TIME ENROLLMENT</b>			
1e Employee Only	197	12	209
2e Employee and Children	55	9	64
3e Employee and Spouse	66	0	66
4e Employee and Family	71	0	71
5e Eligible, Opt Out	2	0	2
6e Eligible, Not Enrolled	7	1	8
<b>Total for this Section</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>420</b>

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	Total I & A Enrollment	Local Non I & A	Total Enrollment
<b>TOTAL ENROLLMENT</b>			
1f Employee Only	198	12	210
2f Employee and Children	55	9	64
3f Employee and Spouse	67	0	67
4f Employee and Family	71	0	71
5f Eligible, Opt Out	2	0	2
6f Eligible, Not Enrolled	7	1	8
<b>Total for this Section</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>422</b>