



*Complete and submit this form, along with any supplemental documentation, to the Office of the President by 5:00pm on the seventh day prior to the Board meeting.*

**Date of Board Meeting:** June 16, 2026  
**Subject:** Disclosure of personal business relationship  
**Recommendation:** Inform the Board of Trustees of a personal business relationship  
**Background and Rationale:**

The Public Funds Investment Act (PFIA), Chapter 2256.005(i) requires the disclosure of an Investment Officer with a personal business relationship with a business organization offering to engage or engaged with the college. The disclosure will be filed with the Texas Ethics Commission.

**Budgetary Implications:** None

**Strategic Priority Alignment:**  Student Success  Community Impact  
 Resource Optimization  Institutional Excellence

**Resource Person(s):** Cynthia Ward, Assoc. VP of Financial Operations/Controller  
Scott Cunningham, VP of Finance and Administrative Services

**Approval:**

Scott Cunningham 06/08/26  
Cabinet-Level Member

Amadeo Lopez 06/09/26  
President



## **Wharton County Junior College**

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June 16, 2026

Texas Ethics Commission  
P.O. Box 12070  
Austin, TX 78711-2070

Re: Disclosure of Business Relationships Pursuant to the Texas Public Funds Investment Act

To Whom It May Concern:

In accordance with the disclosure requirements of the Texas Public Funds Investment Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 2256, I am providing notice of the following personal business relationships that may be relevant to my duties related to public funds investments for Wharton County Junior College.

1. I maintain personal investment accounts with Fidelity Investments with holdings having a value in excess of \$2,500.
2. I maintain personal investment accounts with Edward Jones with holdings having a value in excess of \$2,500.
3. A member of my immediate family is employed by Prosperity Bank. Prosperity Bank currently serves as a depository bank for Wharton County Junior College.

These disclosures are provided in the interest of transparency and compliance with the requirements of the Public Funds Investment Act. To the best of my knowledge, these relationships do not impair my ability to perform my duties objectively and in the best interests of the College.

Please include this disclosure in any records maintained for this purpose. If additional information is required, I will be pleased to provide it.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cynthia Ward".

Cynthia Ward  
Associate Vice President of Finance / Controller  
Wharton County Junior College