

President's Report

September 2025

Purpose



Provide the Board and stakeholders with clear updates on enrollment, finances, programs, and initiatives.



Showcase areas of progress, innovation, and impact that align with WCJC's Mission and Priorities.



Engage

Foster dialog about opportunities and challenges, to strengthen the College's role in serving our students.

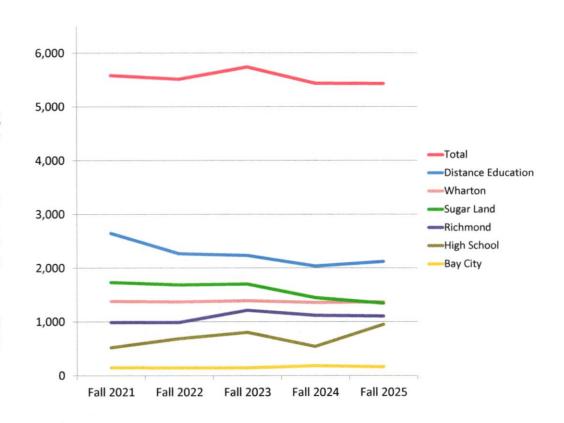


Fall Enrollment

First-day enrollment for Fall 2025 is holding steady compared to Fall 2024, reflecting stability in our overall student population.

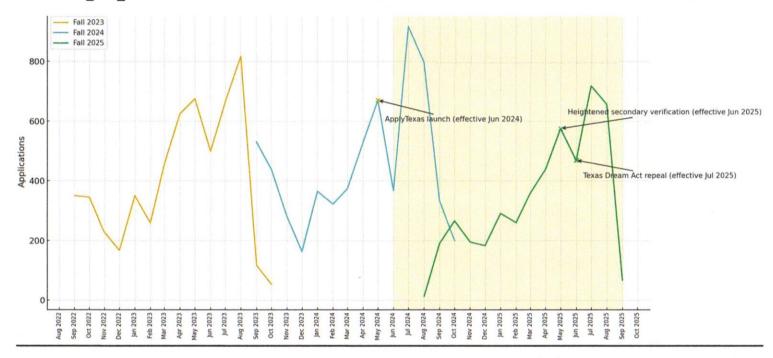
Notably, we are seeing positive growth in Distance Education and Dual Credit enrollment, demonstrating continued demand for flexible learning options and strong partnerships with area schools.

By campus, Sugar Land and Bay City experienced slight declines, while Wharton and Richmond remain stable.

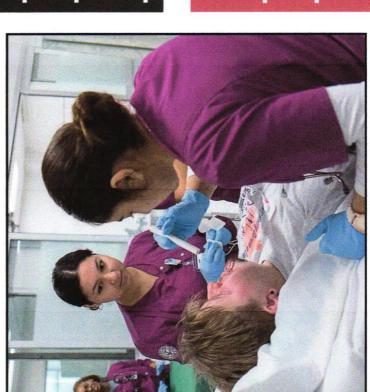


Who are we serving?

Fall Applications (2023 – 2025)



What are we working on?



President

- Prioritizing filling key vacancies to strengthen leadership and operations
- Developing grant and funding applications with the Johnson Foundation and Houston Endowment
- Employee survey and listening tour

Instruction

- Supporting Faculty Senate task force on development of new bylaws (SB 37)
- Exploring new program opportunities, including an AS in Allied Health and/or level change approval

Technology

- Implementing Banner 9 SaaS for improved efficiency and reliability
- Integrating new Cybersecurity program into IT systems and infrastructure

College-Wide

- Developing **comprehensive plans for Bay City special appropriations**
- Advancing college initiatives to build engagement:
 - WC&Me
- Red Rally Fridays
- Presidential Office Hours

Community Engagement

Speaking Events:

• 4 (2 FB Co, 2 Wharton Co)

ISD Meetings:

• 7 (Brazos, Boling, Columbus, EC, Ganado, Needville, Palacios)

Chamber Meetings:

5 (1 FB Co, 1 Matagorda Co, 3 Wharton Co)

Other:

2 (1 FB Co, 1 Wharton Co)

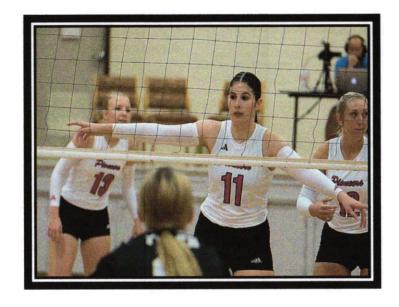
UPCOMING:

 Roundtable with Commissioner Rosser (THECB) followed by site visit to Richmond Campus.



Where are we advocating?

Upcoming Events





Professional Development

- · Board Retreat: Pending
- · Aspen Presidential Fellows: Oct 27-31
- Aspen CEO-Board Institute: Dec 4-5
- · Higher Edge: Dec 8-10*



Transitions

- · Banner 9 SaaS Go-Live: October 27
- · Bookstore Hand-Off: November 3



WC&Me

- · Lady Pioneer Volleyball: Sept 25 @6pm
- · Faculty Concert: Sept 30 @7pm
- SOUL Walk: Oct 4 @8:30am

The "Why" Behind What We Do

Their Path... ...Our Priority

The heart of WCJC's mission is serving students in ways that truly transform lives. During an ADA intake, one student broke down in tears when she learned that our Homestead offers diapers and formula. She shared that she had just spoken with her baby's grandparents about raising him while she pursued college, because she couldn't afford books, materials, and baby necessities.

With tears in her eyes, she told our Director, "I can keep my baby now, since WCJC has so many resources." Stories like this remind us that what we do every day makes a profound difference for our Pioneers and that our support can be the deciding factor in whether a student can do more than just survive...they can THRIVE!

