



**Wharton County
Junior College**

**Proposed Agenda Item
Board of Trustees Meeting**

Date of Board Meeting: 1-17-17

Date of This Proposal: 12-2-16

SUBJECT (item as it will appear on agenda):

Academic Calendar 2017-18

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the 2017-18 Academic Calendar

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

Per policy noted in College Regulation 114 Academic Calendar Development, the academic calendar shall be approved by the Board of Trustees prior to publication and implementation. The 2017-18 academic calendar is attached for review and approval. Besides revising dates, no additional changes are proposed.

Estimated Cost and Budgetary Support (how will this be paid for?):

None

RESOURCE PERSON(S) [name(s) and title(s)]: Leigh Ann Collins, Vice President of Instruction

SIGNATURES:

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Cabinet-Level Supervisor

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PRESIDENT'S APPROVAL:

Betty A. McCreath

12-7-16



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Academic Calendar

Regular Terms, 2017 - 2018

Fall Semester, 2017

Course lengths may vary; it is imperative that students verify the start and end dates of each individual course in which they are enrolled during the Fall semester. Courses may be offered in 5 week, 8 week, 14 week, or 16 week formats.

Exact dates classes begin and end, drop days and last days for refunds are all listed on the college website, www.wcjc.edu, on the webpage titled "Catalogs and Schedules".

Deadline for Guaranteed Financial Aid Processed for Fall Semester	June 1
New Student Orientation (check WCJC website for dates and times at each campus)	June/July
Registration Period	June 24 – August 27
Faculty and Staff Official Opening Day of Semester	August 21
*Final Registration	August 23 – 27
*Final Registration Fee \$25 (will be assessed 24 hours after registration)	
College Convocation 9:00 a.m.	August 25
Cafeteria and Dormitories Open (check WCJC website for times)	August 27
16 Week and First 8 Week Classes Begin	August 28
**Schedule Changes ONLY (no new student registration during this time)	August 28 – 29
**Schedule Changes Fee \$15 (will be assessed at time of schedule change)	
Saturday Classes Begin	September 2
Labor Day Holiday Observed (no classes; offices and library closed)	September 4
14 Week Classes Begin	September 11
Official Census Date (16 week classes ONLY)	September 13
Constitution Day Observed (classes meet as scheduled)	September 18
First 8 Week Classes End	October 20
Mid-Semester Begins	October 23
Second 8 Week Classes Begin	October 23
Fall Break (no classes; offices and library closed)	October 27
Last Day to Drop 16 Week Classes ONLY with Grade of "W"	November 17
Thanksgiving Holiday Begins at 4:00 p.m. (offices, library, cafeteria and dormitories close) All Tuesday classes will meet regardless of class time	November 21
Dormitories Open (check WCJC website for times)	November 26
Thanksgiving Holiday Ends, Classes Resume	November 27
Final Exams and Book Buy-Back at Bookstore (day classes continue through December 10)	December 7 – 14
Finals End	December 14
Grades Are Due No Later Than Noon - Semester Ends	December 15

Cafeteria and Dormitories (check WCJC website for times)	December 15
Winter Break (offices and library closed)	December 18 – January 2

Winter Mini Term, 2017

Exact dates classes begin and end, drop days and last days for refunds are all listed on the college website, www.wcjc.edu, on the webpage titled "Catalogs and Schedules".

Registration Period	November 1 – December 15
Winter Mini-Term Begins, 8:00 a.m. (no late registration) **Schedule Changes First Day of Class ONLY **Schedule Changes Fee \$15 (will be assessed at time of schedule change) No Classes December 25 and January 1	December 18
Winter Mini Finals	January 4
Grades Are Due No Later Than Noon – Term Ends	January 5

Spring Semester, 2018

Course lengths may vary; it is imperative that students verify the start and end dates of each individual course in which they are enrolled during the Spring semester. Courses may be offered in 5 week, 8 week, 14 week, or 16 week formats.

Exact dates classes begin and end, drop days and last days for refunds are all listed on the college website, www.wcjc.edu, on the webpage titled "Catalogs and Schedules".

Deadline for Guaranteed Financial Aid Processed for Spring Semester	November 1
Registration Period	November 1 – January 15
College Offices Reopen	January 3
Faculty and Staff Official Opening Day of Semester	January 8
Final Registration *Final Registration Fee \$25 (will be assessed 24 hours after registration)	January 10 – 15
College Convocation 9:00 a.m.	January 12
Cafeteria and Dormitories Open (check WCJC website for times)	January 15
Martin Luther King Holiday (no classes; offices and library closed)	January 15
16 Week and First 8 Week Classes Begin	January 16
**Schedule Changes ONLY (no new student registration during this time) **Schedule Changes Fee \$15 (will be assessed at time of schedule change)	January 16 – 17
Saturday Classes Begin	January 20
14 Week Classes Begin	January 29
Official Census Date (16 week classes ONLY)	January 31
Texas Community College Teachers Association Convention (TCCTA – no classes)	TBA
Cafeteria and Dormitories Close (check WCJC website for times)	March 9
First 8 Week Classes End	March 9
Mid-Semester (16 week classes)	March 9
Spring Break Begins at 8:00 a.m. (offices and library closed) Saturday classes will meet on March 10 but not on March 17	March 12
Dormitories Open (check WCJC website for times)	March 18
Spring Break Ends, Classes Resume	March 19
Second 8 Week Classes Begin	March 19
University Interscholastic League (UIL – student holiday, no classes)	TBA
Easter Holiday Begins at 4:00 p.m. (offices, dormitories and library close) All Wednesday classes will meet regardless of class time	March 28
Dormitories Open (check WCJC website for times)	April 1
Last day to Submit Application for May Graduation	April 1
Easter Holiday Ends, Classes Resume	April 2
Last Day to Drop 16 Week Courses ONLY with Grade of "W"	April 13
Final Examinations and Book Buy-Back at Bookstore (day classes continue through May 6)	May 3 – 10
Finals End	May 10
Grades Are Due No Later Than Noon – Semester Ends	May 11
Cafeteria and Dormitories Close (check WCJC website for times)	May 11
Commencement	May 12

May Mini Term, 2018

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Registration Period	April 1 – May 11
May Mini-Term Begins, 8:00 a.m. (no late registration) **Schedule Changes First Day of Class ONLY **Schedule Changes Fee \$15 (will be assessed at time of schedule change) No Classes Memorial Day (05/28)	May 14
May Mini Finals	May 30
Grades Are Due No Later Than Noon – Term Ends	May 31

Summer Semester, 2018

Course lengths may vary; it is imperative that students verify the start and end dates of each individual course in which they are enrolled during the Summer semester. Courses may be offered in 5 week, 8 week, 10 week, 12 week, or 15 week formats.

Exact dates classes begin and end, drop days and last days for refunds are all listed on the college website, www.wcjc.edu, on the webpage titled "Catalogs and Schedules".

Summer I

Deadline for Guaranteed Financial Aid Processed for Summer Semester	April 1
Registration Period – Summer I and Summer II	April 1 – July 8
First 5 Week Classes Begin **Schedule Changes First Day of Class ONLY **Schedule Changes Fee \$15 (will be assessed at time of schedule change)	June 4
Independence Day Holiday Observed (no classes; offices and library closed)	July 4
Final Examinations and Book Buy-Back at Bookstore	July 5
Grades Are Due No Later Than Noon – Semester Ends	July 6

Summer II

Deadline for Guaranteed Financial Aid Processed for Summer Semester	April 1
Second 5 Week Classes Begin **Schedule Changes First Day of Class ONLY **Schedule Changes Fee \$15 (will be assessed at time of schedule change)	July 9
Final Examinations and Book Buy-Back at Bookstore	August 8
Grades Are Due No Later Than Noon – Semester Ends	August 9

In the event that unforeseen circumstances necessitate the cancellation of classes, the classes missed will be made up on Saturdays and/or holidays or by extension of the college calendar.