



**Wharton County
Junior College**

**Proposed Agenda Item
Board of Trustees Meeting**

Date of Board Meeting: 6-15-21

Date of This Proposal: 5-13-21

SUBJECT: Dental Hygiene Student Lease Fee

RECOMMENDATION: Approve change in method to collect student lease fee

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

Currently, a dental hygiene student pays \$800 in fees to lease dental hygiene tools, such as hand pieces, scalers, and sealant lights used during patient treatment in the WCJC Dental Hygiene Clinic. For many years, the program collected fees and deposited the funds into the program's supply budget to offset some instructional costs.

The request is to change the method of fee collection by tying the fee to specific Dental Hygiene courses spread throughout the two-year curriculum. In addition, the proposal reduces \$275 from the total fee amount charged to each student. The revised lease fee of \$525 allows the program to remain competitive in cost as compared with area schools, and the student's lease costs less than the price to purchase the tools.

DHYG 1431 Preclinical Dental Hygiene fee \$125

DHYG 2362 Clinical Dental Hygiene 2 fee \$200

DHYG 2363 Clinical Dental Hygiene 3 fee \$200

Estimated Cost and Budgetary Support (how will this be paid for?): No cost; approximate revenue of \$14,700 based on \$525 x 28 students

RESOURCE PERSON(S) [name(s) and title(s)]: Carol Derkowski, Program Director Dental Hygiene & Division Chair of Allied Health

SIGNATURES:

Originator

5-14-2021

Date

Cabinet-Level Supervisor

5-17-21

Date

PRESIDENT'S APPROVAL:

5-20-2021