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To: Members, Texas Senate
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From: Wynn Rosser, PhD, Commissioner of Higher Education

Date: October 10, 2025

Subject: Texas Free College Application Week

Senate Bill 2231 (89th Texas Legislature) designates each second full week of October as **Free College Application Week**. During this week, Texas residents may apply for undergraduate admissions to any Texas public institution of higher education without paying any application fee. The Coordinating Board has [adopted rules](#) to implement this requirement.

The inaugural Free College Application Week will be this **Monday, October 13 through Sunday, October 19**. During this week, those who qualify may apply to any Texas public university or state, technical or community college through the [ApplyTexas](#) online application system and be guaranteed to have their application fees waived.

The attached handout and social media graphic are provided if you would like to share this opportunity with your constituents. Should you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact Glenna Bruun in THECB Government Relations at 512-427-6111 or glenna.bruun@highered.texas.gov.





Apply to Texas public colleges and universities – FOR FREE!

WHAT is Free College Application Week?

Free College Application Week provides an annual opportunity for Texas residents to apply for undergraduate admission to any Texas public college or university - without having to pay any application fees.

WHEN is it?

Free College Application Week is Monday, October 13 through Sunday, October 19, 2025.

WHAT are the requirements?

Applicants must use [ApplyTexas \(www.applytexas.org\)](http://www.applytexas.org), Texas' online portal for applying to any Texas public university or 2-year college. Applications submitted through other platforms may not qualify for the fee waiver. Applications must be finally submitted within ApplyTexas by 11:59 p.m. CST on Sunday, October 19, to qualify. Applications that are started but not submitted will not be eligible, so access ApplyTexas early!

WHO can participate?

Texas residents applying for undergraduate admission at Texas public institutions may participate. This includes both first-time college students and transfer students. The fee waiver does not apply to individuals who do not meet Texas residency requirements. It is not available to those applying to graduate or professional degree programs.

Need more information? Visit www.highered.texas.gov/free-college-application-week/ for Frequently Asked Questions and additional resources.