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More College and Workforce Readiness Opportunities Now Available

The **East Williamson County Higher Education Center** (EWCHEC) is a multi-institutional teaching center providing a wide array of educational opportunities and workforce readiness programs to all of East Williamson County. **Temple College** and **Texas State Technical College Waco** have united in a visionary partnership to bring college courses and workforce readiness programs with certificate and licensure career and technical opportunities education to the residents of Williamson County. Students can complete an associate's degree or transfer to one of several university partners to complete a bachelor's degree or higher. Additionally, through the **Legacy Early College High School**, young people have an opportunity to begin college work as early as the ninth grade and earn up to 60 hours of college credit while still in high school.

Higher education is the foundation of a vibrant local economy. EWCHEC brings a vision for the future to reality through vested partnerships with industry, education and the entire community. Call 512.365.2787 to find out how you can get involved in this new model of educational achievement.

East Williamson County Higher Education Center does not discriminate on the basis of gender, disability, race, color, age, religion, national origin, or veteran status.



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★ *About East Williamson County Higher Education Center*

The **East Williamson County Higher Education Center** (EWCHEC) is a multi-institutional teaching center designed to meet the academic and workforce readiness needs of all East Williamson County residents. Agreements have been created and signed that will bring not only academic and technical college programs to the Higher Education Center, but also educational opportunities at the university level. Development of EWCHEC (pronounced you-check) in Taylor is an exemplary model of community empowerment through small, yet powerful, public/private partnerships.

EWCHEC is an outgrowth of community partnerships to fund and establish the Temple College at Taylor (TCAT) in 1997. In 2006, school and community leaders began exploring the concept of a multi-institutional teaching center. The Texas Education Agency awarded a \$600,000 grant to fund startup of an early college high school program, the first program in the state to serve a rural area. In May 2007, EWCHEC was officially approved by the Texas Legislature. Community leaders again banded together to purchase a site for the EWCHEC campus. Construction is expected to begin this fall on a new facility which will greatly expand the available classroom and training space.

EWCHEC received the 2008 Texas Economic Development Council (TEDC) Workforce Best Practices Award.

★ *About Temple College*

Temple College (TC) is recognized at the state and national levels as one of the most progressive two-year institutions in Texas. A dynamic educational, cultural, and economic resource for the Central Texas region, TC has received state and national recognition for programs ranging from the visual and performing arts to competitive athletics, and has become one of the premier institutions in the state for the education and training of health care providers.

A comprehensive college, TC offers academic transfer programs, technical and health profession education, community education, career and workforce training, and cultural activities.

The main campus is located in Temple. In addition, TC also operates the **Texas Bioscience Institute** in Temple, educational centers in Taylor and Cameron, and is the lead institution for the **East Williamson County Higher Education Center**.

★ *About Texas State Technical College Waco*

Texas State Technical College Waco, the only state-supported technical college system in Texas, offers specialized hands-on instructional courses in more than 100 programs leading to Associate of Applied Science degrees and Certificates of Completion. TSTC Waco also offers dual credit, distance learning and workforce training opportunities. Accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, it has campuses in Waco, Harlingen, Marshall and West Texas. TSTC Waco's strong industry ties — with more than 700 advisory committee members — matches industry needs to help ensure graduates have the best possible chance to succeed.

★ *About Legacy Early College High School*

The mission of **Legacy Early College High School** is to prepare its students to succeed in high school and be equipped to close the gap to higher education. Our goal is to produce confident lifelong learners who become productive citizens in our world. The faculty and staff of Legacy Early College High School are committed to a rigorous and relevant academic program, as well as building relationships in order to support a college-going culture that serves the needs of every student.

★ *About Hutto Independent School District*

Vision: Moving forward ... reaching potential

Hutto ISD, valuing the importance of learning, has formed an education partnership with the community to assist and empower all members to achieve their potential.

★ *About Taylor Independent School District*

Since 1883, **Taylor Independent School District** has addressed the educational needs of local children and adults. The mission of Taylor ISD is to work and partner with parents, business and the public to prepare our children for the changes and the challenges of the future.