

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
SUPPORTING COLLEGE READINESS AND SUCCESS FOR EARLY ADMISSION
FOR TOP 30 PERCENT OF GRADUATES
FROM SANGER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (SISD)
TO ATTEND TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY (TWU)



1. Scope

A. Subject of Agreement

Sanger Independent School District (hereafter, SISD) and Texas Woman's University (TWU) enter into the following agreement concerning the admission of SISD students into TWU.

B. Purpose of Agreement

The purpose of this agreement is to provide early admission and related college readiness and services to SISD students to ensure student success.

C. Date of Effect

The agreement will be in effect from the date on which parties have affixed their signatures. Review, revisions and termination provisions are discussed below in Section III.

II. Understanding of the Parties

A. General Understandings, Texas Woman's University

During the period of this agreement, TWU will:

1. Offer unconditional admission to the top 30 percent of ranked juniors, based on their rank at the end of their first semester of their junior year, assuming the students graduate with a recognized college preparatory diploma;
2. Handle, at TWU's expense, all costs and logistics regarding notifying students of their admission;
3. Provide a \$1,000 scholarship to the Sanger High School principal every year to award to a graduate coming to TWU. The first scholarship award will be effective Fall 2021.
4. Provide college readiness workshops at Sanger High School each academic year, topics to include: advanced academic credit (Dual Credit/Advanced Placement), college admission, financial aid and other topics beneficial to students upon mutual agreement;
5. Assign an Admission's Counselor to serve as an official liaison between Sanger ISD high school and TWU for the purpose of meeting and assisting students with admissions and financial aid applications.

B. General Understanding, Sanger ISD

During the period of this agreement, Sanger ISD will:

1. Provide TWU the names, mailing and e-mail addresses for the top 30 percent of ranked juniors who qualify for admission under this agreement;
2. Provide appropriate facilities for student and family workshops;
3. Provide suitable office space or meeting space for a TWU staff member to meet and advise students. (Such space should include internet access, desk/table and chairs)

4. Provide access to student academic records for the purposes of advising on course selection and major-preparation;

5. Provide students appropriate class release time for purposes of meeting with the TWU staff member.

C. Mutual Understanding

1. Nondiscrimination. Participation of qualified students in the program will be permitted in compliance with the applicable federal, state, and local nondiscrimination laws and regulations. In particular, TWU and Sanger ISD will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, gender, age, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, military discharge, or veteran status in any area of employment or in services to any students.

2. Accreditation. Both institutions will maintain their accreditation with regional accrediting associations and other accreditation currently in existence pertaining to the degree programs.

3. Cooperation. Each institution will attempt to encourage and maintain a high degree of cooperation between their support staffs in the execution of this agreement.

4. Waiver of Terms and Provisions. Any waiver by either party of any term or provision of this agreement of any time will not constitute a waiver of any other or all terms and provisions of this agreement at any one time will not constitute a waiver for all times.

5. Buckley Amendment. Both parties will comply with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA/Buckley Amendment) in the handling of educational records of students enrolled in their programs.

A. All parties are committed to the concept of a long-standing agreement. This agreement, including appendices, will be amended when programs are added, deleted, or significantly modified.

B. Amendments may take the form of letters signed by the signatories below or their designated representatives. The agreement will be reviewed annually or at any time at the request of either party.

C. Either party may terminate their role in the agreement with ninety days' notice. However, termination will not be executed without a negotiated teach-out agreement for students currently enrolled.

TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY:

Dr. Barbara Lerner, Vice-Provost for Undergraduate
Studies and Academic Partnership

Date: _____

SANGER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Dr. Tommy Hunter, Superintendent

Date: _____

