



## Temple College Purpose Statement

Temple College is a public community college, founded in 1926 through the joint efforts of civic, business, and educational leaders. The mission of Temple College is to serve the founders' vision by meeting the needs of individual students, area communities, and businesses through quality educational programs and services that reflect our commitment to quality and integrity while preparing our diverse population as they enter an ever-changing global society.

### VALUE STATEMENTS

Temple College continually assesses its programs and services and utilizes the results for ongoing excellence in education, leadership, and innovation.

***Ethical Conduct*** – Temple College is committed to a high standard of integrity. The board, administration, faculty and staff pledge to model the integrity we expect of our students.

***Learning Environment*** - Temple College pledges to provide a stimulating, compassionate, supportive educational environment that embraces academic integrity. The College offers a variety of opportunities through academic transfer, technical programs, continuing education, and adult education. The College recognizes the need for physical education and provides opportunities through physical education classes, recreational sports, and intercollegiate athletics. To achieve the desired educational goals, Temple College provides a safe, comfortable learning environment.

***Quality Access*** - Temple College provides access to educational opportunities to create a diverse student population regardless of race, color, gender, religion, or disability. The College informs the citizens in its service area of the educational opportunities available to them at the campus, at off-campus sites, and through distance-learning methods. Operating with an

Open Door admission policy, the College takes the responsibility of providing courses for the under served and for those who lack the academic skills to succeed at the college level.

***Student Development*** - Temple College acknowledges our obligation not only to develop our students intellectually, but also to address their professional, personal, social and ethical development. The College also designs activities to foster student leadership, to promote integrity, and to encourage the pursuit of special interests.

***Economic and Workforce Development*** - Temple College strives to improve the prosperity of our region through partnerships with business and industry, government, and community organizations. The College strives to supply Central Texas with a skilled, educated workforce by providing programs for individuals who wish to enrich their lives or to enhance existing knowledge and skills to meet new job demands. Temple College is a critical link for promoting life-long learning.

***Community Partnerships*** - Temple College serves as a catalyst for cultural, artistic, intellectual and physical activities to enrich the lives of Central Texans through its humanities and fine arts and athletic programs.

***Technology*** - Temple College endeavors to offer the latest technology to help students and instructors attain their educational goals by providing modern learning resources, tools, and technology.

***Stewardship*** - Temple College believes the most important resource of the College is its people who are an integral component of a supportive collegial work environment, which rewards excellence. The College is aware that the community has entrusted it with resources and strives to return that trust by assuring maximum benefit for the community.

***Secure Environment*** - Temple College is dedicated to providing a safe and secure environment through a comprehensive Emergency Management program.

Temple College is committed to excellence in helping students reach their full potential by developing their academic competencies, integrity, critical thinking skills, communication

proficiency, civic responsibility, and global awareness. As a leader in education, the College is proud of its mission of challenging the human mind to explore new ideas and seek new opportunities.



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