

**The 818th Meeting
of
The Board of Trustees
February 17, 2026**



Mission, Vision, and Values Statements

Mission

Oakton is the community's college. By providing access to quality education throughout a lifetime, we empower and transform our students in the diverse communities we serve.

Vision

Dedicated to teaching and learning, Oakton is a student-centered college known for academic rigor and high standards. Through exemplary teaching that relies on innovation and collaboration with our community partners, our students learn to think critically, solve problems, and to be ethical global citizens who shape the world. We are committed to diversity, cultural competence, and achieving the equity in student outcomes.

Values

A focus on Oakton students is at the core of each of these values.

- We exercise **responsibility** through accountability to each other, our community, and the environment.
- We embrace the **diversity** of the Oakton community and honor it as one of our college's primary strengths.
- We advance **equity** by acknowledging the effects of systemic social injustices and intentionally designing the Oakton experience to foster success for all students.
- We uphold **integrity** through a commitment to trust, transparency, and honesty by all members of the Oakton community.
- We cultivate **compassion** within a caring community that appreciates that personal fulfillment and well-being are central to our mission.
- We foster **collaboration** within the college and the larger community and recognize our interdependence and ability to achieve more together.

Ratified by the Board of Trustees on March 21, 2017 and reaffirmed on September 16, 2025.

Land Acknowledgment for Oakton

Oakton is the community's college. We recognize that our community embodies a network of historical connections and contemporary relationships with Native peoples, families, students, and alumni. We continue to live and work on the traditional homelands stolen from many different Native peoples, including but not limited to the Bodéwadomi (Potawatomi), Ojibwe (Chippewa), Odawaa (Ottawa), Kiikaapoi (Kickapoo), Mamaceqtaw (Menominee), Myaamiaki (Miami), Thakiwaki (Sac and Fox) and Hoocągra (Ho-Chunk) nations. Others have settled and cared for this land from time immemorial. The land of our Des Plaines campus nurtured a large Potawatomi settlement along the Des Plaines River. This was a site of trade, travel, and gathering for many Native people. With the lush forests and vibrant river, these communities flourished in this beautiful land of biodiversity and reciprocity. These lands are still home to many Native people of many nations.

Adopted by the Board of Trustees on December 13, 2022.

Anti-Racism Statement

Oakton is an anti-racist, inclusive, transparent institution; invested in and accountable to the communities we serve. We are committed to transforming all curricula, policies, structures and practices to dismantle and eliminate racism and other forms of oppression so all members of our community thrive. Through reflection, empowerment, and accountability to anti-racist people of color, we model the socially just and equitable transformation that we want to see in the world.

Adopted by the Board of Trustees on February 15, 2022.

Neurodiversity Statement

Oakton College is committed to recognizing the neurodiversity of our community and developing equitable policies and procedures to enhance the Oakton experience for all students, employees, and community members.

Adopted by the Board of Trustees on August 15, 2023.



7701 Lincoln Avenue
Skokie, IL 60077

Closed Session
5 p.m. – Room A167

Agenda

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Consideration of a motion to close the meeting to the public for the purpose of the following:
 - Review closed session minutes of January 20, 2026
 - Consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; collective negotiation matters; and pending litigation
3. Consideration of a motion for adjournment
4. Adjournment

Open Session
6 p.m. – Room P103-104

Individuals who wish to address the Board of Trustees during the Public Participation portion of the meeting should send an email to bsparks@oakton.edu including their name, town/affiliation, and the item they wish to address to the Board, no later than 6 p.m. on February 17, 2026.

The meeting will be broadcast on Oakton TV: <https://play.champds.com/oaktoncollegeil/live/5>

Agenda

Call to Order and Roll Call
Pledge of Allegiance and Land Acknowledgement
Approval of minutes of the January 20, 2026 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Statement by the President
Educational Foundation Liaison Report
Pathways to Opportunity Liaison Report
ICCTA/ACCT Liaison Report
Student Trustee Report
Student Spotlight
Comments by the Chair
Trustee Comments
Public Participation

Report: Early Access College and Career Options

New BusinessConsent Agenda

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| V | 2/26-1a | Approval of Adoption of Consent Agenda |
| R | 2/26-1b | Approval of Consent Agenda Items 2/26-2 through 2/26-7 |
| | 2/26-2 | Ratification of Payment of Bills for January 2026 |
| | 2/26-3 | Acceptance of Treasurer's Report for January 2026 |
| | 2/26-4 | Acceptance of Quarterly Report on Investments |
| | 2/26-5 | Ratification of Payment of Professional Personnel – Spring 2026 |
| | 2/26-6 | Approval of Clinical Practice Agreements |
| | 2/26-7 | Approval of Intergovernmental Agreements with High School District Partners |

Other Items

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| R | 2/26-8 | Authorization to Approve February Purchases |
| | | a. Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS) |
| | | b. RedHat Enterprise Linux Annual Maintenance and Software Assurance – One-Year Contract Renewal |
| | | c. Instructional Training for the Paramedic Program – Two-Year Contract |
| | | d. Universal Robot System |
| | | e. Replacement Laptop Computers |
| | | f. Consulting Services for TargetX Customer Relationship Management (CRM) |
| | 2/26-9 | Preview and Initial Discussion of Upcoming Purchases |
| R | 2/26-10 | Authorization to Hire Director of Grant Strategy and Development |
| R | 2/26-11 | Authorization to Hire Director of IT Infrastructure |
| R | 2/26-12 | Authorization to Hire a Full-Time, Tenure-Track Faculty Member |
| R | 2/26-13 | Approval of Award of Tenure |
| R | 2/26-14 | Approval of 2027-2028 Academic Calendar |
| R | 2/26-15 | Authorization to Revise Board of Trustees Meeting Date |
| | 2/26-16 | Notification of Award of Grants |

Adjournment



**Minutes of the January 20, 2026 Regular Meeting of the
Board of Trustees of Community College District 535**

The 817th meeting of the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 was conducted on January 20, 2026 at the Des Plaines campus of Oakton College, 1600 East Golf Road, Des Plaines, Illinois.

Closed Session – Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Burns called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. in room 1502. Trustee Bashiri-Remetio called the roll:

Trustee Martha Burns	Chair	Present
Trustee Theresa Bashiri-Remetio	Vice Chair	Present
Trustee William Stafford	Secretary	Absent
Trustee Micah Eimer		Present
Trustee Benjamin Salzberg		Present
Trustee Marie Lynn Toussaint		Present
Trustee Wendy Yanow		Present
Trustee Chris AbiNader	Student Trustee	Present

Also present in room 1502 were Dr. Joianne Smith, President; Dr. Bernard Little, Vice President for Student Affairs; Dr. Ileo Lott, Vice President for Academic Affairs; and Michele Roberts, Vice President for Administrative Affairs.

Chair Burns asked for a motion to go into closed session under the exceptions to the Illinois Open Meetings Act, with the purpose of reviewing closed session minutes of December 16, 2025; and considering the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees, collective negotiating matters, and pending litigation.

Trustee Salzberg made the motion, seconded by Trustee Eimer. Trustee Bashiri-Remetio called the roll:

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio	Aye
Trustee Burns	Aye
Trustee Eimer	Aye
Trustee Salzberg	Aye
Trustee Toussaint	Aye
Trustee Yanow	Aye
Trustee AbiNader	Aye

At 6:06 p.m., Trustee Yanow made a motion to adjourn the closed session meeting which was seconded by Trustee Toussaint. A voice vote was called and the closed session was adjourned.

Open Session – Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Burns called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 6:14 p.m. in room 1506.

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio called the roll:

Trustee Martha Burns	Chair	Present
Trustee Theresa Bashiri-Remetio	Vice Chair	Present
Trustee William Stafford	Secretary	Absent
Trustee Micah Eimer		Present
Trustee Benjamin Salzberg		Present
Trustee Marie Lynn Toussaint		Present
Trustee Wendy Yanow		Present
Trustee Chris AbiNader	Student Trustee	Present

Also present in room 1506:

Leadership: Dr. Joianne Smith, President; Dr. Bernard Little, Vice President for Student Affairs; Dr. Ileo Lott, Vice President for Academic Affairs; and Michele Roberts, Vice President for Administrative Affairs.

Administrators: Maribel Alimboyoguen, Dean of Health Careers; Marc Battista, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs; Steve Butera, Director of Communications and External Relations; Dr. Sebastian Contreras Jr., Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs; Julia Gray, Interim Director of Campus Technologies; Thomas Hicks Jr., Director of Student Success and Academic Interventions; Matt Huber, Dean of Enrollment Management; Jake Jeremiah, Dean of Library; Dr. Mark Kiel, Dean of Counseling, Health and Wellness Services; Dr. Ashley Knight, Interim Dean of Liberal Arts; Dr. Andrea Lehmacher, Director of Marketing; Dr. Kanchana Mendes, Dean of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment; Nathan Norman, Senior Director of Workforce Development; Dr. James Rabchuk, Dean of STEM; Delia Rodriguez, Dean of Adult and Continuing Education; Emmanuel Sarris, Interim Dean of Business and Career Technologies; John Wade, Chief Information Officer; Dan Weber, Registrar/Director of Registrar Services; Aaron Wernick, Chief of Police and Emergency Management; Ella Whitehead, Director of Admission and Equity Outreach; and Andy Williams, Controller.

Union Leaders: Jennifer Crowley, Classified Staff Association; Mary Hope Griffin, Adjunct Faculty Association; and Patrick O'Donnell, Full-Time Faculty Association.

Faculty: Marietta Arasiewicz, Physical Therapy Assistant; Melodie Graber, Chemistry; Kursheed Ichhaporia, Biology; Michael Peat, Automotive Technology; and Jennifer Reeb, Mathematics.

Staff: Alexis Alvarez, Financial Assistance; Giacomo Cirrincione, Learning Center; Victoria Cleary, Health Information Technology; Allison Conner, Learning Center; John Donoghue, Facilities; Leslie Dzike, Institutional Research; Joseph Hanafee, Advising and Transitions; Leah Hartono, Academic Affairs; Marcus Hayes, Auxiliary Services; Esther Hong, Advising and Transitions; Mike Loveday, Marketing and Communications; Ewa Lyczewska, Marketing and Communications; Gabrielle O'Connor, Student Life and Campus Inclusion; Rob Peterson, Access, Equity and Diversity; Vinita Shah, Media Services; Francisco Sosa, Information Technology; and Beatriz Sparks, Office of the President.

Students: Ana Adamaze and Dominika Sass.

Pledge of Allegiance – Chair Burns led the pledge.

Land Acknowledgment – Student Trustee AbiNader read the Land Acknowledgment.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Burns asked a motion for the approval of the minutes of the December 16, 2025 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. Trustee Salzberg made the motion. Trustee Bashiri-Remetio seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Statement by the President

Condolences

- To Nurse Manager Roshni Jaimon on the passing of her mother Annamma "Alice" Thodukayil on December 13.
- To Joan Morris, tutor in the Learning Center on the loss of her husband, Ken Morris on January 7.
- To the family of Richard Stacewicz, retired faculty member in history and political science who passed away on January 15 following a long and courageous battle with kidney disease.
- To Senior Manager of Content Marketing, Kelsey Kapolnek on the passing of her father.

Congratulations

- Director of Admission and Equity Outreach, Ella Whitehead received the President's Award from the Evanston Northshore Branch of the NAACP at their 61st Freedom Fund Banquet on Nov. 15.
- Director of Online Curriculum and Instruction, Matthew Boutilier, and Distinguished Professor of History, Wendy Adele-Marie have been selected to receive the 2026 Innovative eLearning Technology award from the Instructional Technology Council (ITC). The award recognizes the outstanding use of a new technology tool or delivery system to accomplish a new method of student delivery or learning. The award

will be formally presented during a special recognition luncheon on March 14, 2026, at the ITC Annual Conference in Austin, TX.

Happenings

- The Oakton community will reflect on Dr. Martin Luther King's legacy to consider how his call for justice, courage, and community continues to guide us today. Rev. Dr. Michael CR Nabors, Senior Pastor at Second Baptist Church in Evanston, will share reflections on change, resilience, and what it means to stay steadfast during challenging times. The event will take place on January 22 from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Student Center.
- President Smith thanked everyone who helped to coordinate the Spring 2026 opening day session last Monday and to trustees Stafford and Yanow for joining us. The event focused on preparations for the 10-year reaffirmation of accreditation visit that will happen in 2027.

Student Spotlight

Dominika Sass came to the United States from Poland in 2020 to work as an au pair, and decided to enroll at Oakton after she became an international student. She wanted to pursue a degree in accounting and business. Her experience at Oakton was challenging—she felt overwhelmed by the new experience with a new language and the nuances of her visa requirements. Dominika said she received support from her professors, and she learned to ask questions and seek help as part of her learning process. Many of her classes challenged her beliefs and encouraged her to see the world from a different perspective.

Encouraged by her professors, Dominika became involved with the Illinois CPA Society, and later served as a student ambassador, helping other Oakton students. She is also involved in campus life where she stepped into leadership roles—she is the president for Phi Theta Kappa, and the Anime Club. These roles have helped her develop leadership, communication and organizational skills. Throughout her time at Oakton, the Student Life team and the international student support staff have played a significant role in her growth, and their support has made a lasting impact on her experience.

Dominika's journey as a full-time international student at Oakton will come to a close at the end of the spring semester, and she will enter a transitional phase that allows international students to gain professional experience related to their field of study. Dominika said that Oakton has given her the perfect foundation to make her dreams a reality not only preparing her academically, but also providing her with a space to become confident and adaptable.

Dominika would like Oakton to continue providing and expand services for international students.

Public Participation – None

Board Report: Marketing and Communications Update and Impact

Katherine Sawyer, Chief Advancement Officer, Dr. Andrea Lehmacher, Director of Marketing, and the Marketing and Communications team provided the Board of Trustees with an update on current initiatives, and their impact in the community. The presentation included marketing campaigns, legislative outreach, community engagement, media relationships, and internal communications activities.

The Marketing and Communications area is looking to expand the team, and is currently planning for the Oakton Welcome Center, and preparing for the HLC Accreditation visit.

NEW BUSINESS

1/26-1a Approval of Consent Agenda

Trustee Salzberg offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves adoption of the Consent Agenda."

Trustee Yanow seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the motion passed unanimously.

1/26-1b Approval of Consent Agenda Items 1/26-2 through 1/26-7

Trustee Eimer offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves the following items 1/26-2 through 1/26-7 as listed in the Consent Agenda."

1/26-2 Ratification of Payment of Bills for December 2025

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 hereby ratifies expenditures and release of checks by the Treasurer of Community College District 535 in the amount of \$10,071,581.42 for all check amounts as listed and for all purposes as appearing on a report dated December 2025."

1/26-3 Acceptance of Treasurer's Report for December 2025

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 receives for filing as a part of the College's official records, the report of the Treasurer for the month of December 2025."

1/26-4 Ratification of Payment of Professional Personnel – Fall 2025

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves an adjustment of \$6,896.71 to the total amount of part-time teaching salaries paid during the fall 2025 semester; the revised total payment amount is \$3,994,174.15."

"Be it further resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves an adjustment of \$9,161.10 to the total amount of faculty overload salaries paid during the fall 2025 semester; the revised total payment amount is \$992,939.31."

1/26-5 Authorization to Pay Professional Personnel

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 hereby authorizes the Treasurer of the College to pay 2026 spring semester part-time faculty and adjunct faculty on January 30, 2026, and full-time overload payments on February 13, 2026, with ratification at the February Board meeting."

1/26-6 Approval of Clinical Practice Agreements

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves the following cooperative agreements:

Medical Assistant (1)

Medical Assistant / Nursing / Phlebotomy (4)."

1/26-7 Approval of Intergovernmental Agreements with High School District Partners

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 authorizes the approval of an Intergovernmental Agreements between Oakton College and Evanston Township High School District 202 and Glenbrook High School District 225."

Trustee Salzberg seconded the motion. Trustee Bashiri-Remetio called the roll:

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio Aye

Trustee Burns Aye

Trustee Eimer Aye

Trustee Salzberg Aye

Trustee Toussaint Aye

Trustee Yanow Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee AbiNader favored the resolution.

1/26-8 Authorization to Approve January Purchases

Trustee Toussaint offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 authorizes the approval of the attached resolutions, as stipulated in the following agenda items, for the purchase of the following:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Pages</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Vendor / Location</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1/26-8a	1	IP Telephony Annual Maintenance and Software Assurance – One-Year Renewal	Telcom Innovations Group, LLC Itasca, IL	\$40,073.43
1/26-8b	1	Honorlock Remote Proctoring Services License – One-Year Contract	Honorlock, Inc Boca Raton, FL	\$173,100.00
1/26-8c	1	Furniture for the Enrollment Center and Enrollment Suite Workspace Renovations – Des Plaines Campus	Forward Space, LLC Wood Dale, IL	\$82,726.03
1/26-8d	1	Consulting Services from CRMified to support Salesforce Implementation	CRMified Orlando, FL	\$80,000.00
GRAND TOTAL				\$375,899.46."

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio seconded the motion and called the roll:

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio	Aye
Trustee Burns	Aye
Trustee Eimer	Aye
Trustee Salzberg	Aye
Trustee Toussaint	Aye
Trustee Yanow	Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee AbiNader favored the resolution.

1/26-9 Ratification for the Purchase of Facilities Truck Repair

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 authorizes the Ratification for the purchase of the Facility Truck Repair with Rush Truck Centers, 575 St. Paul Boulevard, Carol Stream, IL 60188, for a total not to exceed \$35,689.34."

Trustee Salzberg seconded the motion. Trustee Bashiri-Remetio called the roll:

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio	Aye
Trustee Burns	Aye
Trustee Eimer	Aye
Trustee Salzberg	Aye
Trustee Toussaint	Aye
Trustee Yanow	Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee AbiNader favored the resolution.

1/26-10 Preview and Initial Discussion of Upcoming Purchases

The following purchases will be presented for approval at an upcoming Board of Trustees meeting:

- a. Universal Collaborative Robot
- b. Advanced Driver Assistant Systems (ADAS)
- c. Contracted Instructional Training for the Paramedic Program
- d. RedHat Enterprise Linux Annual Maintenance and Software Assurance

1/26-11 Authorization to Hire Assistant Vice President for Operations

Trustee Yanow offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves the appointment of Ms. Kathleen Dunne Balducci as Assistant Vice President for Operations effective February 23, 2026 at an annual salary of \$165,000. That salary will be prorated for the period of February 23, 2026 through June 30, 2026."

Trustee Salzberg seconded the motion. Trustee Bashiri-Remetio called the roll:

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio	Aye
Trustee Burns	Aye
Trustee Eimer	Aye
Trustee Salzberg	Aye
Trustee Toussaint	Aye
Trustee Yanow	Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee AbiNader favored the resolution.

1/26-12 Approval of Emeritus Appointments

Trustee Toussaint offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approve the ten-year Emeritus appointments for Professors William Strond, Sheila Zabin, Barbara Cohen, Marcia Kiraly, and Elaine Phillips."

"Be it further resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves a ten-year Emeritus re-appointment for Deborah L. Albano."

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio seconded the motion and called the roll:

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio	Aye
Trustee Burns	Aye
Trustee Eimer	Aye
Trustee Salzberg	Aye
Trustee Toussaint	Aye
Trustee Yanow	Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee AbiNader favored the resolution.

1/26-13 Approval of New Unit of Instruction

Trustee Eimer offered: "Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves the following new unit of instruction: Data Analytics Certificate."

Trustee Salzberg seconded the motion. Trustee Bashiri-Remetio called the roll:

Trustee Bashiri-Remetio	Aye
Trustee Burns	Aye
Trustee Eimer	Aye
Trustee Salzberg	Aye
Trustee Toussaint	Aye
Trustee Yanow	Aye

The motion carried. Student Trustee AbiNader favored the resolution.

1/26-14 Notification of Award of Grants

Funding has been made available to Oakton College:

a. Noncredit Strategies at Work FY26\$110,000.00

TOTAL:**\$110,000.00**

Adjournment

Chair Burns announced that the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Oakton Community College, District 535, will be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, February 17, 2026 at the Skokie Campus.

Trustee Salzberg made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Trustee Yanow. A voice vote was called and the meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Martha Burns, Chair

William Stafford, Secretary

Minutes recorded by:
Beatriz Sparks
1/2026

Approval of Adoption of Consent Agenda

“Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves adoption of the Consent Agenda.”

Approval of Consent Agenda Items 2/26-2 to 2/26-7

“Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves the following items 2/26-2 through 2/26-6 as listed in the Consent Agenda:

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| 2/26-2 | Ratification of Payment of Bills for January 2026 |
| 2/26-3 | Acceptance of Treasurer’s Report for January 2026 |
| 2/26-4 | Acceptance of Quarterly Report on Investments |
| 2/26-5 | Ratification of Payment of Professional Personnel – Spring 2026 |
| 2/26-6 | Approval of Clinical Practice Agreements |
| 2/26-7 | Approval of Intergovernmental Agreements with High School District Partners.” |

Ratification of Payment of Bills for January 2026

The check register detailing the regular monthly bills for January 2026 was sent out February 13, 2026. The totals by fund are on page 2. This includes approval of travel reimbursements for January 2026.

Board Chair

Board Secretary

MR:js
2/2026

President's Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 hereby ratifies expenditures and release of checks by the Treasurer of Community College District 535 in the amount of \$10,336,319.18 for all check amounts as listed and for all purposes as appearing on a report dated January 2026."

OAKTON COLLEGE
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT 535

I hereby certify that materials and/or services for the Education Fund; Operation and Maintenance Fund; Operation and Maintenance Fund (Restricted); Bond and Interest Fund; Auxiliary Enterprises Fund; Restricted Purposes Fund; Working Cash Fund; Trust and Agency Fund; Audit Fund; Liability, Protection and Settlement Fund; Social Security/Medicare Fund; Loan fund; including approval of travel reimbursements to January 2026, represented by checks on pages 1-14 numbered !0006357 - !0006378, !0006380 - !0006407, !0006409 - !0006435, !0006437 - !0006453, !0006455 - !0006460, A0174794 - A0174796, A0174798 - A0174887, A0174890 - A0174899, A0174901 - A0174962, A0174964 - A0174980, A0174982 - A0175064 and A0175066 - A0175158 on the check register, have been received, supporting invoices audited and that these checks were in order for issuance and are hereby listed for ratification by the Board of Trustees.

Michelle C Roberts

Treasurer, Community College District 535

RECAPITULATION	Fund	Gross Checks Issued				
		Payroll	Accounts Payable	Sub-Total	Voided Checks	Total
Education		\$ 5,226,418.68	\$ 1,606,135.23	\$ 6,832,553.91	\$ (8,726.99)	\$ 6,823,826.92
Operation and Maintenance		\$ 633,661.52	\$ 280,078.52	\$ 913,740.04	\$ -	\$ 913,740.04
Operation and Maintenance (Restricted)		\$ -	\$ 1,404,518.07	\$ 1,404,518.07	\$ (32,079.00)	\$ 1,372,439.07
Bond and Interest		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Auxiliary Enterprises		\$ 355,042.69	\$ 388,424.09	\$ 743,466.78	\$ -	\$ 743,466.78
Restricted Purposes		\$ 337,455.19	\$ 78,478.21	\$ 415,933.40	\$ (89.25)	\$ 415,844.15
Working Cash		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Trust and Agency		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Audit		\$ -	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,300.00	\$ -	\$ 2,300.00
Liability, Protection and Settlement		\$ -	\$ 58.99	\$ 58.99	\$ -	\$ 58.99
Social Security/Medicare		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Loan		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTALS		\$ 6,552,578.08	\$ 3,759,993.11	\$ 10,312,571.19	\$ (40,895.24)	\$ 10,271,675.95
STUDENT GOVERNMENT		\$ -	\$ 23,747.99	\$ 23,747.99	\$ -	\$ 23,747.99
TOTAL PER REPORT		\$ 6,552,578.08	\$ 3,783,741.10	\$ 10,336,319.18	\$ (40,895.24)	\$ 10,295,423.94

STUDENT GOVERNMENT AFFIDAVIT
OAKTON COLLEGE
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT 535

Certification of Treasurer

I hereby certify that materials and/or services represented by checks on pages 1-14 numbered !0006381, !0006418, !0006430, !0006449, A0174890, A0174919, A0174964, A0174982, A0174983, A0174997, A0175061, A0175123, A0175133 and A0175139 have been received, supporting invoices audited and that these checks were in order for issuance and are hereby listed for ratification by the Student Government.

Michele C Roberts
Treasurer, Community College District 535

Approval of Expenditures

The Student Government of Community College District 535 hereby ratifies expenditures in the amount of \$23,747.99 for student activities as listed, and ratifies release of these checks as listed above by the Treasurer of Community College District 535 for all purposes as appearing on a report dated January 2026.


Student Government Association

Acceptance of Treasurer's Report for January 2026

The Treasurer's comments that highlight the significant areas for this report are on page 3. The President asks that questions on the general significance of this month's report be directed to her with the understanding that she will refer questions of detail to the Treasurer or Controller for amplification.

MR:js
2/2026

President's Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 receives for filing as a part of the College's official records, the report of the Treasurer for the month of January 2026."

OAKTON COLLEGE
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT 535
TREASURER'S REPORT

January 2026

Michele C Roberts
Vice President for Administrative Affairs/Treasurer
W. Andy Williams
Controller, Budget and Accounting Services

Treasurer's Comments on January 2026 Financial Statements

Page 4. Financial Position Statement

Cash and investments

Monthly collections included \$7.1 million in property taxes, \$2.1 million in tuition and fees, \$741,000 for the credit hour grant, \$591,000 in interest earnings, \$489,000 in PATH grants, \$239,000 in replacement taxes, \$214,000 for the career tech ed grant, and \$110,000 for the non-credit strategies at work grant.

Net cash and investments declined slightly by \$200,000 from the previous month, as expected.

The Cook County Treasurer's Office has distributed about 97 percent of the total property tax revenue levied for Tax Year 2024, due in 2025. The Tax Year 2025 first installment will be due April 1st.

Page 5. Summary of Education and Operations and Maintenance Funds Revenues and Expenditures

Revenues

At the end of January, revenues were \$57.7 million or 106% of the prorated budget, compared to \$63.5 million, or 124% for the previous year. Tuition and fees totaled \$22.1 million year to date, or 103% of the prorated budget. Last year, tuition and fees totaled \$23.6 million or 118% of the prorated budget. Revenues from tuition and fees are recorded as billed.

Expenditures

The current year's total actual operating expenditures were \$51.2 million. The operating expenditures are \$2.1 million (4.3%) above prior year's actual expenditures of \$49.1 million for the same period. Net transfers total \$3.2 million as budgeted.

OAKTON COLLEGE
FINANCIAL POSITION OF FUNDS AS OF
JANUARY 31, 2026
(IN THOUSANDS)

	Education	Operations & Maintenance	Operations & Maintenance (Restricted)	Bond And Interest	General Long term Debt	Working Cash Auxiliary Agency Restricted	Investment In Plant	Social Security Medicare Audit Tort	Retiree Health Ins.	Total All Funds
ASSETS										
Cash	\$ 909	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ 25	\$ -	\$ 412	\$ -	\$ 84	\$ 114	\$ 1,545
Taxes Receivable	29,030	4,086	-	2,026	-	-	-	52	-	35,194
Student Tuition Receivable	7,916	1	5	-	-	1,215	-	-	-	9,137
Government Funds Receivable	-	-	-	-	-	937	-	-	-	937
Lease Receivable	12,296	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,296
Accrued Interest	486	79	274	-	-	19	-	5	242	1,105
Other Receivables	95	4	-	-	-	128	-	-	-	227
Investments										
Short-term	63,030	9,804	48,934	5,119	(2,367)	5,605	(3,123)	1,079	37,647	165,728
Long-term	22,906	3,149	4,053	-	-	376	-	128	7,567	38,179
Due from (to) Other Funds	(14,500)	-	-	-	-	14,500	-	-	-	-
Inventories - Prepaids	418	4	-	-	(427)	190	-	-	-	185
Total Current Assets	122,586	17,128	53,266	7,170	(2,794)	23,382	(3,123)	1,348	45,570	284,533
Net Investment in Plant	-	-	-	-	-	-	102,385	-	-	102,385
Intangible Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,596	-	-	3,596
Total Assets	\$ 122,586	\$ 17,128	\$ 53,266	\$ 7,170	\$ (2,794)	\$ 23,382	\$ 102,858	\$ 1,348	\$ 45,570	\$ 370,514
Deferred Outflows - CIP and College Plan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,103	2,103
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ 122,586	\$ 17,128	\$ 53,266	\$ 7,170	\$ (2,794)	\$ 23,382	\$ 102,858	\$ 1,348	\$ 47,673	\$ 372,617
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION										
Payables	\$ 359	\$ (1)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (87)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 271
Accrued Interest Payable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deferred Tuition Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	(9)	-	-	-	(9)
Accruals	3,275	251	-	-	4,832	279	-	-	-	8,637
Bonds Payable	-	-	-	-	54,037	-	-	-	-	54,037
Lease Liability	-	-	-	-	1,832	-	-	-	-	1,832
Subscriptions Liability	-	-	-	-	3,229	-	-	-	-	3,229
OPEB Liability	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,470	15,470
Total Liabilities	3,634	250	-	-	63,930	183	-	-	15,470	83,467
Deferred Inflows of Resources - Property Taxes	29,268	4,077	-	1,984	-	-	-	49	-	35,378
Deferred Inflows - CIP and College Plan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16,891	16,891
Deferred Inflows - Leases	12,296	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,296
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources	45,198	4,327	-	1,984	63,930	183	-	49	32,361	148,032
Net Position										
Unrestricted	77,389	12,801	53,265	-	-	4,090	-	-	15,311	162,856
Restricted	-	-	-	-	-	19,110	-	1,300	-	20,410
Debt Service	-	-	-	5,186	(66,724)	-	-	-	-	(61,538)
Plant	-	-	-	-	-	-	102,858	-	-	102,858
Total Net Position	77,389	12,801	53,265	5,186	(66,724)	23,200	102,858	1,300	15,311	224,586
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET POSITION	\$ 122,587	\$ 17,128	\$ 53,265	\$ 7,170	\$ (2,794)	\$ 23,383	\$ 102,858	\$ 1,349	\$ 47,672	\$ 372,618

OAKTON COLLEGE
EDUCATION AND OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE FUNDS
SUMMARY OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
SEVEN MONTHS ENDED JANUARY 31, 2026

	Operating Budget (000)	Prorated Budget (000)	Actual (000)	As a % of Prorated Budget	
				Current	Last Year
REVENUES (cash and accrual basis)					
Property Taxes	\$ 67,004	\$ 26,667	\$ 28,532	107%	123%
Replacement Tax	1,200	700	968	138%	85%
State Revenue	5,407	3,154	3,535	112%	130%
Tuition and Fees	20,047	21,405	22,114	103%	118%
Other	3,947	2,302	2,545	111%	226%
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 97,605	\$ 54,229	\$ 57,694	106%	124%
EXPENDITURES (accrual basis)					
Instructional	\$ 34,321	\$ 20,021	\$ 21,080	105%	105%
Academic Support	22,824	13,314	14,798	111%	100%
Student Services	9,739	5,681	5,041	89%	88%
Public Services	1,697	990	755	76%	82%
Operations and Maintenance	9,716	5,668	4,999	88%	87%
General Administration	10,072	5,875	5,176	88%	87%
General Institutional	(72)	(42)	(603)	1436%	458%
Contingency	3,778	2,204	-	0%	0%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 92,075	\$ 53,710	\$ 51,246	95%	98%
Revenues over (under) expenditures	5,530	518	6,448		
Net Fund transfers					
To O & M Fund (Restricted)	(1,000)	(583)	(583)		
To Auxiliary Fund & Adult/Cont Ed/Work	(2,800)	(1,633)	(1,633)		
To Restricted Purpose Fund	(100)	(58)	(58)		
To Liability, Protection & Settlement Fund	(898)	(524)	(524)		
To Social Security/Medicare Fund	(995)	(580)	(580)		
From Working Cash Fund: Interest	290	169	169		
Total Transfers	\$ (5,503)	\$ (3,210)	\$ (3,210)		
Net Revenue over (under) expenditures	\$ 27	\$ (2,692)	\$ 3,238		

**OAKTON COLLEGE
REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
SEVEN MONTHS ENDED JANUARY 31, 2026**

**AGENDA ITEM 2/26-3
6 of 9**

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE FUND (Restricted)	Budget (000)	Actual (000)	Actual as a % of Budget
REVENUES			
Construction Fee	295	303	103%
Interest and Investments Gain/Loss	25	1,116	4464%
Total revenues	320	1,419	443%
EXPENDITURES			
Project Management Service	200	147	74%
Learning Commons RHC	-	8	0%
DP Workplace - Critical Adjacencies	2,100	334	16%
Learning Commons DP - Enabling Proj	-	2,232	0%
TenHoeve Wing Remodeling	500	-	0%
Oakton College Health Education Center	50	309	618%
Exterior Lighting Project	1,750	1,278	73%
Learning Commons - Des Plaines	5,033	2,189	43%
Baseball Parking Lot	1,500	291	19%
Skokie Emergency Power Generator	400	2	1%
Enrollment Center Elevator Project	-	13	0%
Founders Wall Project	135	82	61%
Capital Equipment	654	82	13%
Hardware Replacement/Master Keying	1,500	-	0%
Camera Replacement	500	114	23%
Baseball Complex Renovation	500	5	1%
Washroom Upgrades Phase I	1,000	137	14%
Contingency	1,000	-	0%
Total expenditures	16,822	7,223	43%
Transfer in	1,000	583	58%
Net	\$ (15,502)	\$ (5,221)	34%

AUXILIARY ENTERPRISE FUND (excluding Adult, Continuing Ed, Workforce)	Budget (000)	Actual (000)	Actual as a % of Budget	
			Current	Last Year
REVENUES				
Bookstore Sales	\$ 1,332	\$ 1,844	138%	126%
Workforce Development	210	57	27%	12%
Copy Center	110	66	60%	58%
Athletics	42	37	88%	69%
Child Care	413	349	85%	63%
PAC Operations	6	2	33%	0%
Other	34	60	176%	91%
Interest and Investments Gain/Loss	188	38	20%	30%
Total revenues	2,335	2,453	105%	92%
EXPENDITURES				
Bookstore Operating Expenses	\$ 1,865	\$ 787	42%	39%
Workforce Development	200	88	44%	38%
Copy Center	524	235	45%	54%
Athletics	1,302	838	64%	64%
Child Care	570	332	58%	54%
PAC Operations	105	61	58%	70%
Auxiliary Services Administration	360	249	69%	61%
Other	479	99	21%	20%
Total expenditures	5,405	2,689	50%	49%
Transfers in (out)	2,272	1,325		
Net	\$ (798)	\$ 1,089		

**ADULT, CONTINUING EDUCATION, AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
SUMMARY OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
SEVEN MONTHS ENDED JANUARY 31, 2026**

	Operating Budget (000)	Prorata Budget (000)	Actual (000)	Actual As a% Budget	Last Year
<u>REVENUES</u>					
State Revenue	\$ 600	\$ 350	\$ 355	59%	56%
Tuition and Fees	2,687	1,567	801	30%	30%
Sale of Materials	1	1	-	0%	0%
Institutional Support					
Evening High School	133	78	42	32%	37%
Other Revenues	45	26	19	42%	73%
Total revenues	<u>3,466</u>	<u>2,022</u>	<u>1,217</u>	<u>35%</u>	<u>35%</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>					
Administrative Support	\$ 1,428	833	695	49%	39%
Instructional Programs					
Allied Health	59	34	20	34%	20%
Job-related	1,561	911	228	15%	25%
Personal	29	17	13	45%	77%
Emeritus Programs	66	39	16	24%	48%
High School Programs	98	57	43	44%	29%
Kids/Youth Programs	53	31	31	58%	41%
ESL Programs	66	39	33	50%	45%
Total Programs	<u>1,932</u>	<u>1,127</u>	<u>384</u>	<u>20%</u>	<u>29%</u>
Total expenditures	<u>3,360</u>	<u>1,960</u>	<u>1,079</u>	<u>32%</u>	<u>31%</u>
Revenue over (under) expenditures	<u>\$ 106</u>	<u>\$ 62</u>	<u>\$ 138</u>		
Transfer in	52	30	30		
Net	158	92	168		

**OAKTON COLLEGE
STUDENT ACTIVITIES FUND
SUMMARY OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
SEVEN MONTHS ENDED JANUARY 31, 2026**

		Program Generated Revenue	Revenue Allocated to Programs	Total Revenue and Allocation	Expenditures	Program Net Fav (Unfav)
	Activity fees	\$ 451,076				
	Interest income	-				
	Sub total revenues	<u>451,076</u>				
369901	Student Government Association	14,700	110,000	124,700	(62,418)	62,282
369910	Ocurrence	-	7,000	7,000	(100)	6,900
369911	Oakton Auto Club	-	500	500	(94)	406
369912	Politics Club	-	521	521	(284)	237
369919	Campus Activities Board	80	100,000	100,080	(40,298)	59,782
369920	Star Wars Club	-	900	900	-	900
369922	IEEE	-	2,903	2,903	-	2,903
369923	Students for Global Health Sustain	717	3,340	4,056	(438)	3,618
369924	Anime Club	-	800	800	(136)	664
369926	Diversability Club	120	982	1,102	(73)	1,029
369929	Asian American Unity Club	68	631	699	(220)	479
369931	Stitch Happens	-	1,100	1,100	-	1,100
369932	Ceramics Club	-	-	-	(68)	(68)
369934	International Students Club	68	631	699	(309)	390
369935	Honors Student Organization	-	1,600	1,600	(7)	1,593
369937	Oakton Future Educators	-	730	730	(181)	549
369939	Psychology Club	-	700	700	(57)	643
369941	Oakton Math Team	-	700	700	(114)	586
369942	Oakton Visual Organization	-	500	500	-	500
369943	Japanese Culture Club	300	872	1,172	-	1,172
369944	South Asian Club	-	890	890	(700)	190
369945	Physical Therapy Assist.	-	3,435	3,435	(52)	3,383
369946	Phi Theta Kappa (PTK)	2,100	17,000	19,100	(4,466)	14,634
369949	Mission Bible Club	-	788	788	(505)	283
369953	Polish Club	-	500	500	-	500
369955	Environmental Club	-	2,124	2,124	(452)	1,673
369958	Coding Club	-	500	500	-	500
369959	Black Student Union	78	1,652	3,383	(108)	3,275
369960	Muslim Student Association	554	719	1,273	(7)	1,265
369961	DECA	294	1,237	1,531	-	1,531
369963	Fine Arts Club	-	1,607	1,607	(52)	1,555
369967	Creative Writing Club	-	900	900	-	900
369969	Great Books Club	-	884	884	-	884
369972	PAYO	274	-	274	-	274
369973	Oakton Student Dance Club	-	777	777	-	777
	Sub Totals	<u>19,353</u>	<u>267,422</u>	<u>288,427</u>	<u>(111,137)</u>	<u>177,290</u>

Fund Summary

Total Revenues	\$ 470,429
Total Expenditures	(111,137)
Total Transfers to other funds	(8,500)
Excess revenues over expenditures	<u>350,791</u>
Net Position 6/30/25	<u>1,709,605</u>
Net Position, end of period	<u>\$ 2,060,396</u>

OAKTON COLLEGE
AUTOMATIC CLEARING HOUSE (ACH) WIRE TRANSFERS & PAYMENTS
Jan-26

GENERAL FUND TRANSFERS/PAYMENTS

DATE	AMOUNT	REFUNDS/ STUDENT- DISBURSEMENTS	ILLINOIS SALES TAX	EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE CCHC	CHASE CREDIT CARD	BOND HOLDER & MISC
	\$ -					
1/20/2026	\$ 1,030,488.30			\$ 1,030,488.30		
1/20/2026	\$ 786.00		\$ 786.00			
	\$ -					
TOTAL	\$ 1,031,274.30	\$ -	\$ 786.00	\$ 1,030,488.30	\$ -	\$ -

PAYROLL TAXES - TRANSFERS/PAYMENTS

DATE	AMOUNT	FEDERAL PAYROLL TAXES	STATE PAYROLL TAXES	SURS	CREDIT UNION AND TAX SHELTERS
1/2/2026	\$ 627,913.42	\$ 241,880.23	\$ 84,884.88	\$ 222,567.53	\$ 78,580.78
	\$ -				
1/16/2026	\$ 637,516.68	\$ 250,965.49	\$ 83,881.84	\$ 224,274.54	\$ 78,394.81
	\$ -				
1/30/2026	\$ 672,654.38	\$ 246,603.29	\$ 94,529.61	\$ 246,484.52	\$ 85,036.96
TOTAL	\$ 1,938,084.48	\$ 739,449.01	\$ 263,296.33	\$ 693,326.59	\$ 242,012.55

Acceptance of Quarterly Report on Investments

Quarter ended December 31, 2025

	Current Year	Last Year	Prior Year
<u>Investments (000)'s Par Value</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2025</u>	<u>Sept. 30, 2025</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2024</u>
Certificates of Deposit	\$ 23,596	\$ 34,381	30,166
Illinois Funds (IPTIP)	81,365	95,428	83,384
ISDLAF-Liquid+Max Fund (Money Market)	24,002	6,101	13,683
PMA 2023 Debt Certificates	-	-	6,223
Chase (Money Market)	2,499	2,438	2,198
Treasury Notes	48,378	40,486	55,060
U.S. Treasury Obligations (GNMA's)	420	433	474
U.S. Treasury Obligations (FNMA's)	4,509	4,420	4,538
Federal Agency Bonds	1,107	1,165	1,279
Local Government Bonds	2,818	2,562	2,887
Corporate Issues	1,203	996	1,043
PMA Pref. Bank SSB-ICS	2	1,155	1,119
US Bank A010 PMA First American	(285)	117	10
Huntington ICS	5,694	5,647	5,492
Wintrust Bank	3,437	3,401	3,289
Fair Market Value Adjustment	(180)	(180)	664
Total	\$ 198,565	\$ 198,550	\$ 211,509

Policy Concerns

NA

Planned Revisions

NA

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2/2026

President's Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 accepts the Quarterly Report on Investments for filing."

Ratification of Payment of Professional Personnel – Spring 2026

Comparative figures:

Spring 2026 Adjunct Faculty \$2,952,368.59	Spring 2025 Adjunct Faculty \$3,107,105.54
Spring 2026 Adult & Continuing Ed Part-Time Instructors \$446,875.75	Spring 2025 Adult & Continuing Ed Part-Time Instructors \$448,998.50
Spring 2026 Overload \$683,162.92	Spring 2025 Overload \$537,459.10

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President's Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution (*if not adopted in the Consent Agenda*):

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 ratifies the payment of salaries for teaching on a part-time basis during the spring 2026 semester; the total payment amounting to \$3,399,244.34."

"Be it further resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 ratifies the payment of salaries for teaching on an overload basis during the spring 2026 semester; the total payment amounting to \$683,162.92."

Approval of Clinical Practice Agreements

The College would like to execute clinical practice agreements as follows:

Cancer Registry Management

New: This is a new contract for the Cancer Registry Management program. It has been reviewed and approved by the College faculty and administration. This is a three-year agreement which commences on February 17, 2026 and terminates on February 17, 2029.

Pharmacy Technician

New: This is a new contract for the Pharmacy Technician program. It has been reviewed and approved by the College faculty and administration. This is a five-year agreement which commences on February 17, 2026 and terminates on February 17, 2031.

Renewal: This is a renewal contract for the Pharmacy Technician program. It has been reviewed and approved by the College faculty and administration. This is a three-year agreement which commences on February 17, 2026 and terminates on February 17, 2029.

Physical Therapy Assistant

New: This is a new contract for the Pharmacy Technician program. It has been reviewed and approved by the College faculty and administration. This is a three-year agreement which commences on April 1, 2026 and terminates on April 1, 2029.

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President's Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves the following cooperative agreements:

Cancer Registry Management (1)
Pharmacy Technician (2)
Physical Therapy Assistant (1)."

Approval of Intergovernmental Agreements with High School District Partners

As part of the College's efforts to strengthen connections with our high school district partners, we have collaborated to create a comprehensive intergovernmental agreement that includes Early College opportunities for current high school students, data sharing agreements and onsite programming and facilities use between the high school district and the College to better align our efforts.

The College would like to execute the following agreements:

New Trier High School District 203

January 26, 2026 through June 30, 2029

Maine Township High School District 207

February 1, 2026 through December 31, 2029

Niles Township High School District 219

February 18, 2026 through December 31, 2029

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2/2026

President's Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 authorizes the approval of Intergovernmental Agreements between Oakton College and New Trier High School District 203, Maine Township High School District 207, and Niles Township High School District 219."

Authorization to Approve February Purchases

Any purchase exceeding \$25,000 requires Board approval. The following purchases meet that criterion. If the Board so desires, this resolution will enable the Board to approve all of the following purchases in a single resolution.

Items “a – d” were previewed at the January 2026 Board of Trustees Meeting. Item “e” was previewed at the December 2025 Board of Trustees meeting. Item “f” was previewed at the March 2025 Board of Trustees meeting.

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President’s Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution:

“Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 authorizes the approval of the attached resolutions, as stipulated in the following agenda items, for the purchase of the following:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Pages</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Vendor / Location</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2/26-8a	1	Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS)	NAPA Auto Parts Des Plaines, IL	\$36,313.62
2/26-8b	1	RedHat Enterprise Linux Annual Maintenance and Software Assurance – One-Year Contract Renewal	Emergent, LLC Virginia Beach, VA	\$29,250.00
2/26-8c	1	Instructional Training for the Paramedic Program – Two-Year Contract	Advocate Lutheran General Hospital Park Ridge, IL	\$300,000.00
			Prime Saint Francis Hospital Evanston, IL	\$425,000.00
2/26-8d	1	Universal Robot System	Fluid Power Engineering Co., Inc., d/b/a FPE Automation, Inc. Elk Grove Village, IL	\$49,968.75
2/26-8e	1	Replacement Laptop Computers	JensenIT, Inc Des Plaines, IL	\$437,500.00
2/26-8f	1	Consulting Services for TargetX Customer Relationship Management (CRM)	Violet Consulting, LLC Goose Creek, SC	\$50,000.00

GRAND TOTAL \$1,328,032.37."

IN DISTRICT	\$1,198,813.62
CONSORTIUM	\$0.00
BID	\$49,968.75
BID EXEMPT	\$79,250.00
QBS	\$0.00
CERT. MBE	\$0.00
CERT. WBE	\$0.00
NON-CERT. MBE	\$0.00
NON-CERT. WBE	\$50,000.00

Authorization to Purchase Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS)

As Automotive technology continues to advance, the integration of advanced driver assistance systems (ADAS) is rapidly becoming a central component in modern vehicle design and repair. These systems, including adaptive cruise control, lane keep assist, and automatic emergency braking, are reshaping the industry and increasing demand for skilled technicians who can service and calibrate them accurately.

The automotive industry has experienced a surge in demand for its technicians proficient in ADAS diagnostics and calibration. According to industry reports, over 90% of new vehicles sold today are equipped with at least one ADAS feature. Technicians with ADAS expertise are essential not only for dealerships but also for independent repair shops, as these systems become more common in the aftermarket.

Safety and accuracy are critical. ADAS systems are crucial for driver and pedestrian safety. Improper calibration after repairs can compromise system functionality, putting lives at risk. Educating future technicians on the proper use of calibration tools and adherence to Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) standards ensures both safety and customer satisfaction.

Regulatory bodies such as the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) International emphasize the importance of maintaining and repairing ADAS systems to exact standards. Ensuring students are well-versed in these standards will position them as leaders in the evolving automotive landscape.

The Administration seeks approval to purchase Advanced Driver Assistance Systems from NAPA Auto Parts (Des Plaines, IL) for an amount not to exceed \$36,313.62.

This purchase is bid-exempt in accordance with the Illinois Public Community College Act, Chapter 110, Act 805 (110ILCS 805/3-27.1), which states that purchases made through a consortium are exempt from formal bidding. Through the Consortium, no further advertisement, public notice, or competition is required because the Consortium has already conducted the bidding process.

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President's Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 authorizes the purchase of Advanced Driver Assistance Systems from NAPA Auto Parts, 1461 E Oakton Street, Des Plaines, IL 60018, for an amount not to exceed \$36,313.62."

Authorization to Purchase RedHat Enterprise Linux Annual Maintenance and Software Assurance – One-Year Contract Renewal

The College uses RedHat Enterprise Linux to host a wide range of applications for both administrative and academic purposes, including Banner enterprise software, the College website, and many other applications and infrastructure services. In total, the College has over 90 Linux servers. While Linux is an open-source operating system, the College uses licensed and supported RedHat (RedHat Enterprise Linux) versions that provide stable and updated versions of the Linux kernel and all the libraries, applications, and enterprise management tools. The College has contracted with RedHat annually for upgrades and licenses for 20 years.

The current trend in the information technology industry allows manufacturers to give one preferred reseller special, discounted pricing, effectively eliminating the motivation for other companies to submit pricing. In the past, the College has received unsatisfactory bid responses for these types of bids because vendors are reluctant to submit a bid after the manufacturer has selected and identified the supplier. In addition, according to ILCS-805/3-27.1 item f, “purchases and contracts for the use, purchase, delivery, movement, or installation of data processing equipment, software, or services and telecommunications and inter-connect equipment, software, and services: are exempt from the bidding process.”

For these reasons, it is in the College's best interests to work directly with the manufacturer and its preferred reseller, Emergent LLC, to ensure the lowest cost. After reviewing various options, the Administration recommends purchasing the RedHat Enterprise Academic Site License Subscription from Emergent, its designated reseller. This subscription supports an unlimited number of current RedHat Servers, along with 15 nodes of RedHat Enterprise Extended Life Cycle Support for applications that require it.

The Administration seeks board approval to purchase RedHat Enterprise Linux Annual Maintenance and Software Assurance in the amount of \$29,250.00 from March 31, 2026, to March 30, 2027.

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2/2026

President's Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution:

“Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 authorizes the purchase of RedHat Enterprise Linux Annual Maintenance and Software Assurance – One-Year Contract Renewal from Emergent, LLC, 4525 Main Street, Suite 1500, Virginia Beach, VA 23462, for a total of \$29,250.00.”

Authorization to Purchase Instructional Training for the Paramedic Program – Two-Year Contract

Oakton College's Fire Science Department has partnered with two local hospital systems, Advocate Lutheran General Hospital and Prime Saint Francis Hospital, to train students to become Emergency Medical Technicians-Paramedics. In partnership with both hospital systems, Oakton's paramedic program is recognized by the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP). This partnership builds upon the Emergency Medical Services Technician - Basic (EMT-B) Program and certificate offered at Oakton. The paramedic program is the next step to prepare students to engage and become competent entry-level Paramedics in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills), and affective (behavior) learning domains, which follow the Accredited National Standards and Guidelines as set forth by CoAEMSP, National Association of EMS Educators (NAEMSE), and National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

Both hospitals' Emergency Medical Systems provide advanced emergency medical care by paramedics to critical and emergent patients in the pre-hospital arena. Paramedics possess the complex knowledge and skills necessary to provide emergent patient care and transportation. Paramedics function as part of a comprehensive EMS response under the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Systems Act (210 ILCS 50) and are under direct medical oversight from the hospital's Emergency Medical Services System. Paramedics perform interventions with basic and advanced equipment typically found in a critical care ambulance. Paramedics are the lifesaving link between patients and the hospital, from the scene of an incident to the hospital.

The Administration seeks approval to purchase Contracted Instructional Training for the Paramedic Program in the amount of \$300,000.00 from Advocate Lutheran General Hospital and \$425,000.00 from Prime Saint Francis, for a grand total not to exceed \$725,000.00.

Oakton's Fire Science Department supports and reinforces the valuable partnership between both hospitals and Emergency Medical Services Systems. These cooperative arrangements foster collaboration between the College and the community it serves. Strong partnerships add value to students and enhance career opportunities.

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President's Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 authorizes the purchase of Contracted Instructional Training for the Paramedic Program - Two-Year Contract, in the amount of \$300,000.00 from Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, 1775 Dempster Street, Park Ridge, IL 60068, and \$425,000.00 from Prime Healthcare St. Francis Hospital, 355 Ridge Avenue, Evanston, IL 60202 for a grand total not to exceed \$725,000.00."

Authorization to Purchase Universal Robot System

The Universal Robot (UR) System will provide students with modern, hands-on training in robotic programming and automation, directly supporting the Computer Integrated Manufacturing (MFG 210) Robotics course.

The MFG 210 Robotics course is required for all three degrees offered under the Manufacturing program (A.A.S. Advanced Manufacturing, A.A.S. Advanced Mechatronics, and A.A.S. Supply Chain Automation). It is also required for several of the College's certificates, including the popular Automation Programming certificate.

The Manufacturing Technology Department provided specifications, and the Purchasing Department issued a public bid for the Universal Robot Systems. The College received two bid responses.

Universal Robot System	
Bid# TLE-FY26-01	
Vendor	Total Price
FPE Automation, Inc	\$49,968.75
Automation Distribution	\$52,894.30

The Administration seeks approval to purchase the Universal Robot System from the responsible and responsive low bid of \$49,968.75 submitted by Fluid Power Engineering Co., Inc., d/b/a FPE Automation, Inc., of Elk Grove Village, Illinois.

By incorporating Universal Robots, students will gain exposure to the fastest-growing segment of industrial robotics. Universal Robots are widely adopted in manufacturing, logistics, and supply chain sectors due to their flexibility, ease of use, and ability to work alongside human operators. This aligns directly with workforce needs and better prepares the graduates for employment in advanced manufacturing roles.

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President's Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 authorizes the purchase of the Universal Robot System from Fluid Power Engineering Co., Inc., d/b/a FPE Automation, Inc., 110 Gordon Street, Elk Grove Village, IL 60007, for an amount not to exceed \$49,968.75."

Authorization to Purchase Replacement Laptop Computers

In early 2021, the College began providing “mobility” laptops to most full-time staff and administrators. This original set of 350 laptops is now approximately 5 years old and nearing the end of their service life, with degraded batteries, reduced reliability, and performance limitations. The Information Technology (IT) Department tested several laptops from multiple manufacturers and conducted a survey to understand the needs and use of Oakton-provided mobility laptops.

Based on the feedback and our internal testing, the following two computers have been selected to be purchased with the extended Pro warranty: (1) Dell Pro 16 Plus, 32 GB, Standard Configuration, and (2) Dell Pro 14 Plus, 32 GB

The College obtained quotes from multiple distributors, with the lowest price quote submitted by JensenIT, Inc., Des Plaines, IL. The cost for the equipment is \$437,500.00. JensenIT, Inc. is an in-district reseller that the College has used for recent purchases, and the Administration is confident that they can meet the College's needs.

The purchase is bid-exempt pursuant to ILCS-805/3-27.1 item f, “purchases and contracts for the use, purchase, delivery, movement, or installation of data processing equipment, software, or services and telecommunications and inter-connect equipment, software, and services: are exempt from the bidding process”.

Due to volatile pricing driven by Dynamic Random-Access Memory (DRAM) market fluctuations, the exact quantities of each computer type will be determined at a later time.

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President’s Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution:

“Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 authorizes the Purchase of Replacement Laptop Computers from JensenIT, Inc, 1689 Elk Blvd, Des Plaines, Illinois 60016, for an amount not to exceed \$437,500.00.”

Authorization to Purchase Consulting Services for TargetX Customer Relationship Management (CRM)

In April 2025, the Board approved a partnership with Violet Consulting, LLC for consulting services in the amount not to exceed \$82,000.00. This approval allowed Violet Consulting to provide Fractional System Administrator services for the College's TargetX CRM system. TargetX Customer Relationship Management (CRM) is used extensively across Enrollment Management and Student Success subdivisions. The platform is a critical component of the College's product portfolio, used to facilitate online admissions applications, communicate with prospective and current students, manage events, schedule appointments, send early alerts, and more.

Violet Consulting has played a critical role in implementing the Common Application, and there is a continued need for their assistance while new staff complete their onboarding and relevant training, as well as to address the backlog of projects that cannot yet be completed internally.

Violet Consulting is a consulting company with a combined 30 years of experience in higher education. Their expertise encompasses 12 years of implementation, training, and custom project development with the TargetX Suite of tools. They are a non-certified woman-owned small business whose mission is to ease the challenges of finding, implementing, and utilizing CRM technology that drives institutional goals, allowing their partners to focus on their priority, the students.

The Administration seeks approval to extend the consulting services with Violet Consulting, LLC, for continued support with TargetX CRM, in the amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.

This purchase is exempt from bidding per the 110 Illinois Compiled Statutes 805/3-27.1, Contracts, part (a) contracts for the services of individuals possessing a high degree of professional skill where the ability or fitness of the individual plays an important part.

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President's Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 authorizes the purchase of Consulting Services for the TargetX CRM from Violet Consulting, LLC, 113 Farm Quarters Drive, Goose Creek, SC 29445, for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00."

Preview and Initial Discussion of Upcoming Purchases

The following purchases will be presented for approval at an upcoming Board of Trustees meeting:

- a. **Natural Areas Maintenance** – The natural areas of the College are an essential part of the pedagogy and aesthetics of the campus. In September 2017, the Board authorized the purchase of a Natural Areas Restoration project. This work has since been completed, and continued maintenance is required for the natural areas. The current two-year maintenance contract approved by the Board expires in May 2026. A new bid has been issued for a two-year contract expected to run from May 2026 to April 2028. The contract will include seasonal burns, tree and debris removal, and weed/invasive species management.

A public bid has been issued, and the results will be presented to the Board for approval in a later month.

- b. **Security Guard Services** – The safety of the College community is a top priority of our institution. The Police Department at Oakton College does an exceptional job of ensuring that everyone on the campus is safe. However, the College's full-time police officers cannot work 24/7; therefore, the College requires support from an outside security services vendor to supplement its security staffing.

A public Request for Proposals has been issued, and the results will be presented to the Board for approval at the April 2026 Meeting.

- c. **YuJa Panorama: Digital Accessibility Software Solution-Structured Remediation** – Oakton College remains committed to providing equitable access to all students within our Learning Management System (LMS), Brightspace from Desire2Learn (D2L). With the Board's approval in November 2025, the College implemented YuJa Panorama, a digital accessibility software solution that helps identify and correct accessibility issues in online course content and digital documents.

As use of the platform has expanded, the College has identified a need for additional per-PDF document structured remediation, meaning hands-on fixes to PDFs that require proper formatting for screen readers, navigation, and readability, and cannot be fully resolved through automated tools alone. This expanded capacity will allow multiple faculty and staff members to work on improving documents at the same time, reducing delays and improving efficiency. This purchase will further advance the College's ongoing commitment to equitable access to digital instructional materials.

This purchase will be presented to the Board at the March 2026 meeting.

- d. **Replacement WiFi Access Points** – In Spring 2019, the College upgraded to WiFi 6 (802.11ax) and purchased and installed 257 WiFi access points. Since then, with remodeling, adding exterior coverage, building the Evanston site, and expanding capacity, the WiFi network has grown to 362 access points supporting over 2,300 simultaneous WiFi users on the average day. After 7 years, most of the original Wi-Fi access points will no longer be supported and will be considered out-of-support devices. The FY2026 budget includes funds to replace these devices. The purchase will replace 264 access points and add 4 for new planned remodels.

Since the newer WiFi 6 Wave 2 and WiFi 7 standards add capabilities and new 6 GHz frequencies, these new access points will replace all interior access points in the Des Plaines Main Building and the Lee Center. The existing in-support access points from the Des Plaines campus will be moved to the Skokie campus to replace the out-of-support devices there. The

cost of this purchase is estimated at \$154,000, with all configuration and installation being performed by college staff.

This purchase will be presented to the Board at the March 2026 meeting.

- e. **Parking Lot Security Camera Fiber Optic Cabling and Installation** – As an extension to the Exterior Lighting Project supporting the Parking Lot Security Cameras, fiber optic cabling is required to provide network connectivity for the exterior cameras, emergency phones, and wireless access points (WAP) being deployed across the Des Plaines and Skokie campuses. The installation of this cabling will enable the deployment of 44 cameras, 22 phones, and 13 WAPs. The Administration has worked with the contractor of the Exterior Lighting Project to clearly define the requirements.

This purchase will be presented to the Board at the March 2026 meeting.

- f. **Construction Services for the Adjacencies Phase 2** – As part of the approved Master Plan, multiple enabling projects remain to be completed. The Adjacencies Phase 2, at the Des Plaines Campus, includes interior remodeling for the new Office of Student Affairs and Workforce Training, all located on the first floor. The College partnered with Perkins + Will, the College's QBS's architecture firm, for design services for this project.

A public bid was issued in January 2026, and the results will be presented to the Board for approval at the March 2026 Meeting.

Authorization to Hire Director of Grants Strategy and Development

The administration is recommending the hire of Ms. Janet Nester Olszewski for the Director of Grant Strategy and Development position. The search began on October 31, 2025. There were postings on the Oakton College website, LinkedIn, Historically Black Colleges and Universities (hbcuconnect.com), Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (hacu.net), Diverse Jobs (diversejobs.net), Inside Higher Education (insidehighered.com), Higher Education Jobs (higheredjobs.com), Illinois Unemployment (illinoisjoblink.illinois.gov), NACUBO (National Association of College & University Business Officers), and the Chronicle of Higher Education (jobs.chronicle.com).

There were forty-one applicants for the Director of Grant Strategy and Development position. The search committee conducted six semi-finalist interviews and selected two candidates for on campus interviews with a number of employee groups, including President's Council, various key campus partners, the Office of Research and Planning Team, and the Assistant Vice President of Institutional Effectiveness and Strategic Planning, as well as an open forum session for college administrators, faculty, and staff.

Ms. Nester Olszewski has more than a decade of experience writing, managing, and implementing federal, state, and private grants in complex educational environments, as well as supervising individuals and teams. In her most recent position at Start Early, Ms. Nester Olszewski co-authored a \$45 million federal Head Start expansion grant, and managed grant systems supporting multiple partner organizations, collaborating closely with finance, policy and program teams to ensure an effective implementation. Ms. Nester Olszewski received her M.Ed. in Elementary Education from Arizona State University, and her Bachelor's in Journalism from Ohio University.

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President's Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves the appointment of Ms. Janet Nester Olszewski as Director of Grant Strategy and Development effective March 9, 2026 at an annual salary of \$108,267. That salary will be prorated for the period of March 9, 2026 through June 30, 2026."



**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT 535
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS
ADMINISTRATOR EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT**

IN CONSIDERATION of the mutual covenants hereinafter contained, it is hereby agreed by and between the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535, Oakton College (hereinafter referred to as the Board) and **JANET NESTER OLSZEWSKI** (hereinafter referred to as the Administrator) as follows:

A. CONTRACT DURATION AND ANNUAL SALARY

1. The College hereby employs the Administrator in the capacity of **DIRECTOR OF GRANTS STRATEGY AND DEVELOPMENT** for one (1) year, commencing on March 9, 2026 and terminating on June 30, 2026. The Administrator accepts such employment on the conditions hereinafter set forth, and any applicable provisions of the Board of Trustees Policy Manual.
2. For the 2025-2026 contract year, the Administrator shall receive an annual salary of \$108,267, subject to applicable deductions and in accordance with the Board's salary and payroll procedures.

B. BENEFITS

The Administrator shall be entitled to sick leave, vacation, insurance, and all other benefits commonly provided to administrative employees of the College. Nothing in this Contract or any Board policy limits the right of the Board to change or reduce any benefits under this Contract or under any Board policy during the term of this Contract.

C. QUALIFICATIONS

1. The Administrator shall hold, throughout the term of this Contract, valid credentials as required and shall be fully qualified to hold the position assigned by reason of certification, licensing, or other regulatory requirements, and the job description for the position.
2. The Administrator acknowledges and agrees that they are not under contract with any other employer, nor shall the Administrator enter into a contract with any other employer for the term covered by this Contract or any portion thereof.

D. CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

1. All policies of the Board of Trustees currently in effect and as modified or adopted hereafter are hereby incorporated into this Contract. In the event of conflict between Board Policy and this Contract, this Contract shall govern.
2. The Administrator will perform the duties and carry out the responsibilities of the position, as specified in the position job description, and such other related duties as are assigned by or at the direction of their supervisor, the Board of Trustees, and the President.
3. The Administrator acknowledges that during the term of employment under this Contract, tenure is not acquired or accrued.
4. The Administrator shall be evaluated annually according to the applicable administrator evaluation process.

E. TERMINATION

This Contract may be terminated during the term of employment for the following:

1. By mutual agreement of the parties.
2. By retirement or resignation of the Administrator provided they provide at least sixty (60) days' advance notice of resignation or retirement.
3. By death or mental or physical permanent disability of the Administrator which renders the Administrator incapable of performance of assigned duties. As used herein, the term permanent disability shall mean the inability to perform normal duties as certified by a licensed physician who may be appointed by the College.
4. By unsatisfactory performance or conduct of the Administrator as assessed and determined by the supervisor, subject to review and approval by the President.
5. For cause, including, but not limited to, violation of Board policies or procedures.

F. NOTICE

Any notice required to be given under this Contract shall be deemed sufficient if it is in writing and sent by mail to the residence of the Employee or to the President of the College.

Dated and returned this _____ day of _____ 2026 by:

Administrator

Board of Trustees approval received at the meeting of the Board of Trustees on February 17, 2026.
(Agenda Item 2/26-10)

Board of Trustees of Community College District 535,
County of Cook, State of Illinois

President

Authorization to Hire Director of IT Infrastructure

The administration is recommending the hire of Jeffrey Spidle for the Director of IT Infrastructure. The search began on July 2, 2025. There were postings on the Oakton College website, LinkedIn, Historically Black Colleges and Universities (hbcuconnect.com), Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (hacu.net), Diverse Jobs (diversejobs.net), Inside Higher Education (insidehighered.com), Higher Education Jobs (higheredjobs.com), Illinois Unemployment (illinoisjoblink.illinois.gov), NACUBO (National Association of College & University Business Officers), and the Chronicle of Higher Education (jobs.chronicle.com).

There were one hundred and fifteen applicants for the Director of IT Infrastructure position. The search committee conducted seven semi-finalist interviews and selected three candidates for on campus interviews with a number of employee groups, including President's Council, the Infrastructure Team, IT Directors and Managers and the CIO, as well as an open forum session for college administrators, faculty, and staff.

Mr. Spidle is currently serving as the Interim Director of IT Infrastructure at Oakton College where he is responsible for leading the IT team that delivers the critical infrastructure service for the college. Over the past 30 years Mr. Spidle has worked in a variety of IT specialties, including software development and architecture, voice, video and data network systems development and deployment. Mr. Spidle holds a Cisco Certified Network Professional and a Cisco Certified Design Certification along with the ITIL Foundation Certification.

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President's Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves the appointment of Mr. Jeffrey Spidle as Director of IT Infrastructure effective February 23, 2026 at an annual salary of \$160,000. That salary will be prorated for the period of February 23, 2026 through June 30, 2026."



**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT 535
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS
ADMINISTRATOR EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT**

IN CONSIDERATION of the mutual covenants hereinafter contained, it is hereby agreed by and between the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535, Oakton College (hereinafter referred to as the Board) and **JEFFREY SPIDLE** (hereinafter referred to as the Administrator) as follows:

A. CONTRACT DURATION AND ANNUAL SALARY

1. The College hereby employs the Administrator in the capacity of **DIRECTOR OF IT INFRASTRUCTURE** for one (1) year, commencing on February 23, 2026 and terminating on June 30, 2026. The Administrator accepts such employment on the conditions hereinafter set forth, and any applicable provisions of the Board of Trustees Policy Manual.
2. For the 2025-2026 contract year, the Administrator shall receive an annual salary of \$160,000, subject to applicable deductions and in accordance with the Board's salary and payroll procedures.

B. BENEFITS

The Administrator shall be entitled to sick leave, vacation, insurance, and all other benefits commonly provided to administrative employees of the College. Nothing in this Contract or any Board policy limits the right of the Board to change or reduce any benefits under this Contract or under any Board policy during the term of this Contract.

C. QUALIFICATIONS

1. The Administrator shall hold, throughout the term of this Contract, valid credentials as required and shall be fully qualified to hold the position assigned by reason of certification, licensing, or other regulatory requirements, and the job description for the position.
2. The Administrator acknowledges and agrees that they are not under contract with any other employer, nor shall the Administrator enter into a contract with any other employer for the term covered by this Contract or any portion thereof.

D. CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

1. All policies of the Board of Trustees currently in effect and as modified or adopted hereafter are hereby incorporated into this Contract. In the event of conflict between Board Policy and this Contract, this Contract shall govern.
2. The Administrator will perform the duties and carry out the responsibilities of the position, as specified in the position job description, and such other related duties as are assigned by or at the direction of their supervisor, the Board of Trustees, and the President.
3. The Administrator acknowledges that during the term of employment under this Contract, tenure is not acquired or accrued.
4. The Administrator shall be evaluated annually according to the applicable administrator evaluation process.

E. TERMINATION

This Contract may be terminated during the term of employment for the following:

1. By mutual agreement of the parties.
2. By retirement or resignation of the Administrator provided they provide at least sixty (60) days' advance notice of resignation or retirement.
3. By death or mental or physical permanent disability of the Administrator which renders the Administrator incapable of performance of assigned duties. As used herein, the term permanent disability shall mean the inability to perform normal duties as certified by a licensed physician who may be appointed by the College.
4. By unsatisfactory performance or conduct of the Administrator as assessed and determined by the supervisor, subject to review and approval by the President.
5. For cause, including, but not limited to, violation of Board policies or procedures.

F. NOTICE

Any notice required to be given under this Contract shall be deemed sufficient if it is in writing and sent by mail to the residence of the Employee or to the President of the College.

Dated and returned this _____ day of _____ 2026 by:

Administrator

Board of Trustees approval received at the meeting of the Board of Trustees on February 17, 2026.
(Agenda Item 2/26-11)

Board of Trustees of Community College District 535,
County of Cook, State of Illinois

President

Authorization to Hire a Full-Time, Tenure-Track Faculty Member

The recommendation to hire Dr. Sahnya Thom to a full-time, tenure-track faculty position for the 2026-2027 academic year, beginning in August 2026, was made after reviewing the College's need for faculty in the Psychology department.

The search began on September 12, 2025 with postings on the Oakton College website, LinkedIn, Historically Black Colleges and Universities (hbcuconnect.com), Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (hacu.net), Diverse Jobs (diversejobs.net), Inside Higher Education (insidehighered.com), Higher Education Jobs (higheredjobs.com), Illinois Unemployment (illinoisjoblink.illinois.gov), in NACUBO (National Association of College & University Business Officers), and the Chronicle of Higher Education (jobs.chronicle.com).

The search committee conducted seven (7) in person interviews for this search and selected three (3) finalists to interview with Dr. Ashley Knight, Interim Dean of Liberal Arts, and Dr. Ileo Lott, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. A recommendation was made to hire to Dr. Sahnya Thom for a full-time, tenure-track faculty position.

Dr. Thom is currently an Assistant Professor of Psychology at the University of Wisconsin where she teaches undergraduate and graduate courses, including Human Resource Management, Occupational Health Psychology, Psychometrics and Test Construction, and Culture and Psychology. Dr. Thom received her Ph.D. in Industrial Organizational Psychology from Adler University in Illinois.

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President's Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 hereby authorizes the employment of Dr. Sahnya Thom for the 2026-2027 academic year, beginning August 2026:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Academic Rank and Assignment</u>	<u>Lane-Step</u>	<u>Base Salary</u>
Dr. Sahnya Thom	Assistant Professor	D-6	\$83,542."

Approval of Award of Tenure

The granting of tenure is a positive act of the College and the Board of Trustees. Illinois Public Community College Act 805, Chapter 110, Section 3B-2 provides that faculty members who are employed for three consecutive years shall be tenured, unless notice is received sixty (60) days before the end of the school year.

The College has five (5) faculty members who will complete their third consecutive year at the end of the spring 2026 semester:

Brittany Coleman	Assistant Professor, Library
Christine Hoang	Instructor, Medical Laboratory Technology
Christopher Hirst	Assistant Professor, Air Conditioning Heating and Refrigeration
Paul Bialek	Professor of Mathematics
Terence Sinabajje	Assistant Professor, Psychology

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President's Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535, by the authority vested in it by the State of Illinois, hereby grants tenure, effective after the completion of the spring 2026 semester, to the following faculty:

Brittany Coleman – Assistant Professor, Library
Christine Hoang – Instructor, Medical Laboratory Technology
Christopher Hirst – Assistant Professor, Air Conditioning Heating and Refrigeration
Paul Bialek – Professor of Mathematics
Terence Sinabajje – Assistant Professor, Psychology."

Approval of 2027-2028 Academic Calendar

A working group co-chaired by the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs and the Vice President for Student Affairs developed the 2027-2028 Academic Calendar. Input was gathered from all areas of the College.

The academic calendar provides the appropriate number of instructional days and minutes as stipulated by the Illinois Community College Board. The academic calendar dates are consistent with the schedules used in faculty and staff contracts, support student planning, and enable efficient management of the College. In accordance with the Board's request, this calendar represents the academic year (August-July) rather than a calendar year (January-December).

New for the 2027-2028 academic year, the calendar ensures that laboratory science courses meeting during the fall and spring 12-week terms have 12 Saturdays for experiments and labs. Additionally, official employee holidays and days off (e.g., Fridays off during the summer and Winter Break) have been moved to another document; therefore, the academic calendar now only represents instruction-related events that are taking place during each term.

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President's Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District 535 approves and adopts the 2027-2028 Academic Calendar, attached hereto, as part of the office records of the College."

Oakton College		
2027-2028 Academic Calendar		
Fall 2027 Semester		
16-week Classes (August 16 - December 8)		
Date	Event	
March 29-31, 2027	Fall 2027 Priority Registration begins	
Friday, April 1, 2027	Open Registration for Fall 2027 for all students	
Monday, August 9, 2027	Faculty return for Fall 2027 Semester	
Monday, August 16, 2027	Fall 2027 Semester Classes begin	
Monday, August 23, 2027	Last day to drop for 100% refund for 16-week Classes starting on 8/16/27-8/22/27	
Monday, August 23, 2027	Last day to submit proof of residency, business service agreements and joint agreements	
Monday, September 6, 2027	Labor Day Holiday, College closed	
Monday, September 13, 2027	Last day to drop from 16-week Classes and have course removed from record*	
Monday, September 13, 2027	Last day to change to Audit for 16-week Classes*	
Friday, September 17, 2027	Last day to file an Application to Graduate for the fall semester	
Thursday, September 23, 2027	Incomplete (I) grades from Summer 2027 semester due	
Friday, September 24, 2027	Any remaining incomplete (I) grades from Summer 2027 semester becomes an F**	
TBD	Midterm Grades due for 16-week Classes	
Wednesday, October 20, 2027	All College Learning Day (No daytime classes. College closed to students and the public until 5 pm. Evening classes that start at 5 pm or later will take place.)	
Thursday, November 11, 2027	Veterans Day Holiday, College closed	
Monday, November 15, 2027	Last day to withdraw with a "W" from 16-week Classes*. Students will receive a grade in all classes in which they are enrolled after November 15th	
November 15-17, 2027	Priority Registration for Spring 2028 Semester	
Thursday, November 18, 2027	Open Registration for Spring 2028 Semester	
Thursday, November 25 - Friday, November 26, 2027	Thanksgiving Holiday, College closed	
Saturday, November 27 - Sunday, November 28, 2027	Thanksgiving Recess, No Classes (College open but most offices closed)	
Tuesday, December 7 - Wednesday, December 8, 2027	Evaluation days***	
Wednesday, December 8, 2027	Last day of student attendance	
Monday, December 13, 2027	Grading Day	
Tuesday, December 14, 2027	Final Grades due for 16-week Classes	
First 8-week Classes (August 16 - October 10)		
Date	Event	
March 29-31, 2027	Fall 2027 Priority Registration begins	
Friday, April 1, 2027	Open Registration for Fall 2027 for all students	
Monday, August 16, 2027	First 8-week Classes begin	
Wednesday, August 18, 2027	Last day to drop for 100% refund for first 8-week Classes starting on 8/16/27-8/18/27	
Monday, August 23, 2027	Last day to drop for 100% refund for first 8-week Classes starting on 8/19/27-8/22/27	
Monday, September 6, 2027	Labor Day Holiday, College closed	
TBD	Midterm Grades due for First 8-week Classes	
Wednesday, September 29, 2027	Last day to withdraw from First 8-week Classes	

Sunday, October 10, 2027	First 8-week Classes end
Thursday, October 14, 2027	Final Grades due for First 8-week Classes
Second 8-week Classes (October 11 - December 8)	
Date	Event
March 29-31, 2027	Fall 2027 Priority Registration begins
Friday, April 1, 2027	Open Registration for Fall 2027 for all students
Monday, October 11, 2027	Second 8-week Classes begin
Wednesday, October 13, 2027	Last day to drop for 100% refund for second 8-week Classes starting on 10/11/27-10/13/27
Monday, October 18, 2027	Last day to drop for 100% refund for second 8-week Classes starting on 10/14/27-10/17/27
Wednesday, October 20, 2027	All College Learning Day (No daytime classes. College closed to students and the public until 5 pm. Evening classes that start at 5 pm or later will take place.)
TBD	Midterm Grades due for Second 8-week Classes
Thursday, November 11, 2027	Veterans Day Holiday, College closed
Wednesday, November 24, 2027	Last day to withdraw from Second 8-week Classes
Thursday, November 25 - Friday, November 26, 2027	Thanksgiving Holiday, College closed
Saturday, November 27 - Sunday, November 28, 2027	Thanksgiving Recess, No Classes (College open but most offices closed)
Wednesday, December 8, 2027	Second 8-week Classes end
Tuesday, December 14, 2027	Final Grades due for Second 8-week Classes
12-week Classes (September 11 - December 8)	
Date	Event
March 29-31, 2027	Fall 2027 Priority Registration begins
Friday, April 1, 2027	Open Registration for Fall 2027 for all students
Saturday, September 11, 2027	12-week Classes begin
Monday, September 20, 2027	Last day to drop for 100% refund for 12-week Classes
Wednesday, October 20, 2027	All College Learning Day (No daytime classes. College closed to students and the public until 5 pm. Evening classes that start at 5 pm or later will take place.)
TBD	Midterm Grades due for 12-week Classes
Thursday, November 11, 2027	Veterans Day Holiday, College closed
Wednesday, November 17, 2027	Last day to withdraw from 12-week Classes
Thursday, November 25 - Friday, November 26, 2027	Thanksgiving Holiday, College closed
Saturday, November 27 - Sunday, November 28, 2027	Thanksgiving Recess, No Classes (College open but most offices closed)
Wednesday, December 8, 2027	12-week term ends
Tuesday, December 14, 2027	Final Grades due for 12-week Classes
First 4-week Classes (August 16 - September 12)	
Date	Event

March 29-31, 2027	Fall 2027 Priority Registration begins
Friday, April 1, 2027	Open Registration for Fall 2027 for all students
Monday, August 16, 2027	First 4-week Classes begin
August 16-22, 2027	First day of course is last day to drop for 100% refund for First 4-week Classes
TBD	Midterm Grades due for First 4-week Classes
Friday, September 3, 2027	Last day to withdraw from First 4-week Classes
Monday, September 6, 2027	Labor Day Holiday, College closed
Sunday, September 12, 2027	First 4-week Classes end
Thursday, September 16, 2027	Final Grades due for First 4-week Classes
Second 4-week Classes (September 13 - October 10)	
Date	Event
March 29-31, 2027	Fall 2027 Priority Registration begins
Friday, April 1, 2027	Open Registration for Fall 2027 for all students
Monday, September 13, 2027	Second 4-week Classes begin
September 13-19, 2027	First day of course is last day to drop for 100% refund for Second 4-week Classes
TBD	Midterm Grades due for Second 4-week Classes
Wednesday, October 1, 2027	Last day to withdraw from Second 4-week Classes
Sunday, October 10, 2027	Second 4-week Classes end
Thursday, October 14, 2027	Final Grades due for Second 4-week Classes
Third 4-week Classes (October 11 - November 7)	
Date	Event
March 29-31, 2027	Fall 2027 Priority Registration begins
Friday, April 1, 2027	Open Registration for Fall 2027 for all students
Monday, October 11, 2027	Third 4-week Classes begin
October 11-17, 2027	First day of course is last day to drop for 100% refund for Third 4-week Classes
Wednesday, October 20, 2027	All College Learning Day (No daytime classes. College closed to students and the public until 5 pm. Evening classes that start at 5 pm or later will take place.)
TBD	Midterm Grades due for Third 4-week Classes
Friday, October 29, 2027	Last day to withdraw from Third 4-week Classes
Sunday, November 7, 2027	Third 4-week Classes end
Friday, November 12, 2027	Final Grades due for Third 4-week Classes
Fourth 4-week Classes (November 8 - December 08)	
Date	Event
March 29-31, 2027	Fall 2027 Priority Registration begins
Friday, April 1, 2027	Open Registration for Fall 2027 for all students

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Thursday, March 9, 2028	Open Registration for Summer 2028 sessions
TBD	Midterm Grades due for 16-week Classes
Monday, March 13 - Sunday, March 19, 2028	Spring Break, No Classes
Monday, March 20, 2028	Classes resume after Spring Break
March 27-29, 2028	Priority Registration opens for Fall 2028 Semester
Thursday, March 30, 2028	Open Registration for Fall 2028 Semester
Monday, April 17, 2028	Last day to withdraw with a "W" from 16-week Classes*. Students will receive a grade in all Classes in which they are enrolled after April 17th.
Thursday, May 11 - Friday, May 12, 2028	Evaluation days***
Friday, May 12, 2028	Last day of student attendance
Monday, May 15, 2028	Grading Day
Monday, May 15, 2028	Commencement
Tuesday, May 16, 2028	Final Grades due for 16-week Classes
First 8-week Classes (January 18 - March 12)	
Date	Event
November 15-17, 2027	Spring 2028 Priority Registration begins
Friday, November 18, 2027	Open Registration for Spring 2028 for all students
Monday, January 17, 2028	Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday, College closed
Tuesday, January 18, 2028	First 8-week Classes begin
Tuesday, January 18, 2028	Last day to drop for 100% refund for first 8-week Classes starting on 1/18/28-1/19/28
Tuesday, January 24, 2028	Last day to drop for 100% refund for first 8-week Classes starting on 1/20/28-1/23/28
TBD	Midterm Grades due for First 8-week Classes
Wednesday, March 1, 2028	Last day to withdraw from First 8-week Classes
Sunday, March 12, 2028	First 8-week Classes end
Thursday, March 16, 2028	Final Grades due for First 8-week Classes
Second 8-week Classes (March 20 - May 12)	
Date	Event
November 15-17, 2027	Spring 2028 Priority Registration begins
Friday, November 18, 2027	Open Registration for Spring 2028 for all students
Monday, March 20, 2028	Second 8-week Classes begin
Wednesday, March 22, 2028	Last day to drop for 100% refund for second 8-week Classes starting 3/20/28-3/22/28
Monday, March 27, 2028	Last day to drop for 100% refund for second 8-week Classes starting 3/23/28-3/26/28
TBD	Midterm Grades due for Second 8-week Classes
Wednesday, May 3, 2028	Last day to withdraw from Second 8-week Classes
Friday, May 12, 2028	Second 8-week Classes end
Tuesday, May 16, 2028	Final Grades due for Second 8-week Classes

12-week Classes (February 12 - May 12)	
Date	Event
November 15-17, 2027	Spring 2028 Priority Registration begins
Friday, November 18, 2027	Open Registration for Spring 2028 for all students
Saturday, February 12, 2028	12-week Classes begin
Monday, February 21, 2028	Presidents' Day Holiday, College closed
Tuesday, February 22, 2028	Last day to drop for 100% refund for 12-week Classes
March 13-20, 2028	Spring Break, No Classes
Monday, March 20, 2028	Classes resume after Spring Break
TBD	Midterm Grades due for 12-week Classes
Wednesday, April 19, 2028	Last day to withdraw from 12-week Classes
Friday, May 12, 2028	12-week Classes end
Tuesday, May 16, 2028	Final Grades due for 12-week Classes
First 4-week Classes (January 18 - February 13)	
Date	Event
November 15-17, 2027	Spring 2028 Priority Registration begins
Friday, November 18, 2027	Open Registration for Spring 2028 for all students
Monday, January 17, 2028	Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday, College closed
Tuesday, January 18, 2028	First 4-week Classes begin
January 18-23, 2028	First day of course is last day to drop for 100% refund for first 4-week Classes
TBD	Midterm Grades due for First 4-week Classes
Saturday, February 4, 2028	Last day to withdraw from First 4-week Classes
Monday, February 13, 2028	First 4-week Classes end
Saturday, February 18, 2028	Final Grades due for First 4-week Classes
Second 4-week Classes (February 14 - March 12)	
Date	Event
November 15-17, 2027	Spring 2028 Priority Registration begins
Friday, November 18, 2027	Open Registration for Spring 2028 for all students
Monday, February 14, 2028	Second 4-week Classes begin
February 14-20, 2028	First day of course is last day to drop for 100% refund for second 4-week Classes
Monday, February 21, 2028	Presidents' Day Holiday, College closed
TBD	Midterm Grades due for Second 4-week Classes
Friday, March 3, 2028	Last day to withdraw from Second 4-week Classes
Sunday, March 12, 2028	Second 4-week Classes end
Friday, March 17, 2028	Final Grades due for Second 4-week Classes
Third 4-week Classes (March 20 - April 16)	

Date	Event
November 15-17, 2027	Spring 2028 Priority Registration begins
Friday, November 18, 2027	Open Registration for Spring 2028 for all students
Monday, March 20, 2028	Third 4-week Classes begin
March 20-26, 2028	First day of course is last day to drop for 100% refund for third 4-week Classes
TBD	Midterm Grades due for Third 4-week Classes
Friday, April 7, 2028	Last day to withdraw from Third 4-week Classes
Sunday, April 16, 2028	Third 4-week Classes end
Friday, April 21, 2028	Final Grades due for Third 4-week Classes
Fourth 4-week Classes (April 17 - May 12)	
Date	Event
November 15-17, 2027	Spring 2028 Priority Registration begins
Friday, November 18, 2027	Open Registration for Spring 2028 for all students
Monday, April 17, 2028	Fourth 4-week Classes begin
April 17-23, 2028	First day of course is last day to drop for 100% refund for fourth 4-week Classes
TBD	Midterm Grades due for Fourth 4-week Classes
Friday, May 5, 2028	Last day to withdraw from Fourth 4-week Classes
Friday, May 12, 2028	Fourth 4-week Classes end
Tuesday, May 16, 2028	Final Grades due for Fourth 4-week Classes
Summer Session 2028 (7-week & 8-week Sessions)	
8-week Classes (June 5 - July 27)	
Date	Event
March 6-8, 2028	Summer 2028 Priority Registration begins
Thursday, March 9, 2028	Open Registration for Summer 2028 for all students
Monday, June 5, 2028	8-week Classes begin
Wednesday, June 7, 2028	Last day to drop for 100% refund for 8-week Classes starting on 6/5/28-6/7/28
Monday, June 12, 2028	Last day to drop for 100% refund for 8-week Classes starting on 6/8/28
Monday, June 19, 2028	June/teenth Holiday Observance, College Closed
Tuesday, June 20, 2028	Last day to drop and have course removed from record
Tuesday, June 20, 2028	Last day to change to Audit for 8-week Classes
Thursday, June 22, 2028	Last day to file an Application to Graduate for the summer session
TBD	Midterm Grades due for 8-week Classes
Tuesday, July 4, 2028	Independence Day Holiday, College closed
Wednesday, July 5, 2028	Incomplete (I) grades from Spring 2028 semester due
Thursday, July 6, 2028	Any remaining incomplete (I) grade from Spring 2028 semester becomes an F**
Tuesday, July 19, 2028	Last day to withdraw with a "W". Students will receive a grade in all classes in which they are enrolled after July 19th.
Thursday, July 27, 2028	8-week Classes end

Thursday, July 31, 2028	Final Grades due for 8-week Classes
7-week Classes (June 12 - July 27)	
Date	Event
March 6-8, 2028	Summer 2028 Priority Registration begins
Thursday, March 9, 2028	Open Registration for Summer 2028 for all students
Monday, June 12, 2028	7-week Classes begin
Wednesday, June 14, 2028	Last day to drop for 100% refund for 7-week Classes starting 6/12/28-6/14/28
Monday, June 19, 2028	Juneteenth Holiday Observance, College Closed
Tuesday, June 20, 2028	Last day to drop and have course removed from record
Tuesday, June 20, 2028	Last day to change to Audit for 7-week Classes
Thursday, June 22, 2028	Last day to file an Application to Graduate for the summer session
TBD	Midterm Grades due for 7-week Classes
Tuesday, July 4, 2028	Independence Day Holiday, College closed
Wednesday, July 5, 2028	Incomplete (I) grades from Spring 2028 semester due
Thursday, July 6, 2028	Any remaining incomplete (I) grade from Spring 2028 semester becomes an F**
	Last day to withdraw with a "W". Students will receive a grade in all classes in which they are enrolled after July 19th.
Tuesday, July 19, 2028	7-week Classes end
Thursday, July 27, 2028	Final Grades due for 7-week Classes
Thursday, July 31, 2028	
4-week Interim Classes (May 15 - June 8)	
Date	Event
March 6-8, 2028	Summer 2028 Priority Registration begins
Thursday, March 9, 2028	Open Registration for Summer 2028 for all students
Monday, May 15, 2028	4-week Interim Classes begin
May 15-18, 2028	First day of course is last day to drop for 100% refund for 4-week Interim Classes
TBD	Midterm Grades due for 4-week Interim Classes
Monday, May 29, 2028	Memorial Day Holiday, College closed
Thursday, June 1, 2028	Last day to withdraw from 4-week Interim Classes
Thursday, June 8, 2028	4-week Interim Classes end
Monday, June 12, 2028	Final Grades due for 4-week Interim Classes
3-week Interim Classes (May 15 - June 1)	
Date	Event
March 6-8, 2028	Summer 2028 Priority Registration begins
Thursday, March 9, 2028	Open Registration for Summer 2028 for all students
Monday, May 15, 2028	3-week Interim Classes begin
May 15-18, 2028	First day of course is last day to drop for 100% refund for 3-week Interim Classes

Thursday, May 25, 2028	Last day to withdraw from 3-week Interim Classes
TBD	Midterm Grades due for 3-week Interim Classes
Monday, May 29, 2028	Memorial Day Holiday, College closed
Thursday, June 1, 2028	3-week Interim Classes end
Monday, June 5, 2028	Final Grades due for 3-week Interim Classes
3-week August Interim Classes (July 31 - August 18)	
Date	Event
March 6-8, 2028	Summer 2028 Priority Registration begins
Thursday, March 9, 2028	Open Registration for Summer 2028 for all students
Monday, July 31, 2028	3-week August Interim Classes begin
Monday, July 31, 2028	First day of course is last day to drop for 100% refund for 3-week August Interim Classes
TBD	Midterm Grades due for 3-week August Interim Classes
Thursday, August 10, 2028	Last day to withdraw from 3-week August Interim Classes
Friday, August 18, 2028	3-week August Interim Classes end
Tuesday, August 22, 2028	Final Grades due for 3-week August Interim Classes
<i>Questions regarding the academic calendar should be directed to Registrar Services at registrar.services@oakton.edu. Employees should refer to the Employee Holidays/Days Off Calendar for days that the College is closed.</i>	
<i>Students can register for courses from when Priority Registration begins until the first day of classes. After the first day of classes, instructor permission is required to register for a course.</i>	
<i>* Consult the Enrollment Center for information if the course does not follow the dates in the academic calendar.</i>	
<i>** Students must make arrangements with individual faculty members regarding deadlines to submit required work for Incomplete (I) grades.</i>	
<i>*** Two days to be used for instruction or final student evaluations or culminating course activities. Classes not scheduled to meet on these days and classes which do not meet for the duration of a semester will ordinarily use the last class session(s) for instruction or final student evaluations or culminating course activities.</i>	

2/6/2026

Authorization to Revise Board of Trustees Meeting Date

The Board-approved 2026 meeting schedule includes a session on March 17, 2026, which falls on a primary election day. Per Illinois SB0202 and related policies, state and local agencies may not hold public meetings on general, consolidated, or primary election dates. Consequently, this meeting must be rescheduled to ensure statutory compliance.

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President's Recommendation:

That the Board adopts the following resolution:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Oakton Community College District 535 hereby authorizes the March 17, 2026 regular Board meeting to be rescheduled for March 16, 2026, beginning at 6 p.m. in the boardroom (1506) at Oakton College, 1600 East Golf Road, Des Plaines, Illinois, which time and place shall be published, and proper notice and agenda posted as required by law."

Notification of Award of Grants

Funding has been made available to Oakton College:

a. ICCB Mental Health Early Action on Campus FY26	\$162,000.00
b. ICCB Innovative Bridge and Transitions FY26.....	\$270,704.59
TOTAL:	\$432,704.59

a. ICCB Mental Health Early Action on Campus Grant

The ICCB has awarded Oakton College a total of \$162,000 in MHEAC funding for FY26. These funds support the peer support program and other mental health awareness and outreach efforts. The grant also includes a robust wraparound support model to mitigate barriers students face to mental health resources.

The grant period is July 1, 2025 through December 31, 2026.

Grant Manager: Keith Morgan-Dunham, Counseling Services Coordinator

Grant Administrator: Dr. Mark Kiel, Dean of Counseling, Health and Wellness

b. ICCB Innovative Bridge and Transitions Grant

ICCB has awarded Oakton college a total of \$270,704.59 for the Innovative Bridge and Transitions grant. The grant will support innovative bridge and transition programs and initiatives that support the seamless transition of students between education systems as well as employment. The Adult Education and Continuing Education departments will partner together to provide iCAPS bridge and workforce development courses to students, hire a Transitions coordinator, provide wrap around support services including transportation assistance and stipends, and provide work-based learning and workforce development opportunities to approximately 350 students.

The grant period is January 1, 2026 through March 31, 2027.

Grant Manager: Tiffany Olson, Adult Education and Transitions Manager

Grant Manager: Leah Kintner, Senior Workforce and Community Education Program Developer

Grant Administrator: Delia Rodriguez, Dean of Adult and Continuing Education

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