

# PREGNANT AND PARENTING STUDENTS' COLLIN RIGHTS AND RESOURCES

Collin College strives to maintain a healthy and safe environment where all members of its campus community are treated with dignity and respect.

Collin College is committed to compliance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX) and Texas state laws which protect pregnant and parenting students' rights and prohibit discrimination against a student based on pregnancy, pregnancy-related conditions, and/or parenting status.

## What Are My Rights?

Students who are pregnant, experiencing a pregnancy-related condition(s), and or parenting have the right to:

- Early registration.
- Modifications due to pregnancy and/or a pregnancy-related condition(s).
- Not be told to drop out or change their educational plans.
- Not be harassed due to their pregnancy, pregnancy-related condition(s), and/or parenting status.

## Who Is Collin College's Liaison Officer for **Pregnant and Parenting Students?**

The following person is designated as Collin College's liaison officer for pregnant and parenting students:

### <u>Liaison Officer for Pregnant and Parenting Students</u>

Amy Throop Associate Dean Title IX Compliance **Deputy Title IX Coordinator for Students Technical Campus** 2550 Bending Branch Way Suite A004/A006 Allen, Texas 75013

Phone: 972.599.3126 Email: athroop@collin.edu

## **How Can I Register Early?**

Students who are pregnant and/or parenting (i.e., the parent or legal guardian of a child under 18 years of age) are eligible to register on the first day of priority registration. To opt into early registration, these students will need to submit the <u>Pregnant and Parenting Students</u> Request for Early Registration Form. For specific information on registration dates and requirements, see Collin College's Registration webpage.

#### What Should I Do If I Need to Miss Classes?

Any absences related to pregnancy and/or a pregnancy-related condition(s) must be considered medically necessary and excused. Students who think they will need to take an excused absence(s) due to their pregnancy and/or pregnancy-related condition(s) should complete and submit the <u>Pregnancy and Pregnancy-Related Conditions</u> Modifications Application Form.

Collin College will excuse absences related to a student's pregnancy and/or a pregnancy-related condition(s), including, but not limited to, childbirth, without a doctor's certification that such absence is necessary for three (3) class days. Students who need to take an excused absence related to pregnancy and/or a pregnancy-related condition(s), including, but not limited to, childbirth, for longer than three (3) class days will be required to provide an appropriate healthcare provider's certification to obtain these excused absences.

Students who are pregnant and/or experiencing a pregnancy-related condition(s) are responsible for following the professor's syllabus policies, including, but not limited to, those regarding absences due to issues that are not related to the student's pregnancy and/or pregnancyrelated condition(s).

Intermittent absences due to a student's parenting status are not covered under federal and state laws. These absences will need to be addressed by each professor in accordance with the attendance/absence policy stated in their course syllabus.

## **How Do I Request Modifications Due to** Pregnancy and/or a Pregnancy-Related Condition(s)?

The Title IX Office works with students who are pregnant and/or experiencing a pregnancy-related condition(s) to provide reasonable modifications on a case-by-case basis. Students who need to request reasonable modifications due to pregnancy and/or experiencing a pregnancy-related condition(s) should complete and submit the *Pregnancy* and Pregnancy-Related Conditions Modifications Application Form.

## How Do I Request an Extended Leave of Absence?

Students who are pregnant, experiencing a pregnancy-related condition(s), and/or parenting may voluntarily request to take an extended leave of absence from a Collin College education program or activity.

Under Title IX federal law, an extended leave of absence due to pregnancy and/or experiencing a pregnancy-related condition(s) may be taken for, at minimum, the period of time deemed medically necessary by the student's licensed healthcare provider. To the extent that a student qualifies for leave under the Texas state law requirements listed below, Collin College must permit the student to take voluntary leave under that policy instead, if the student so chooses.

In accordance with the Texas Education Code Section 51.982, Collin College will permit, but not require, a student who is pregnant, experiencing a pregnancy-related condition(s) and/or parenting to take a leave of absence related to their pregnancy, pregnancy-related condition(s), and/or parenting status for a minimum of one (1) semester without a showing of medical need.

The Title IX Office works with students who are pregnant, experiencing a pregnancy-related condition(s), and/or parenting to process extended leave of absence requests, in consultation with the appropriate program director, associate academic/workforce dean, and/or academic/workforce dean. Students who are pregnant, experiencing a pregnancy-related condition(s), and/or parenting and need to request an extended leave of absence should complete and submit the *Pregnant and Parenting Students Extended Leave* of Absence Request Form.

Collin College encourages students to meet with the Financial Aid Office and/or the Collin College Foundation (i.e., scholarship office) before the student takes an extended leave of absence. Students can contact the Financial Aid Office at 972.881.5760 or FinancialAid@collin.edu and/or the Collin College Foundation at 972.599.3145 or foundation@collin.edu to schedule a meeting with the appropriate staff member(s).

## **Important Definitions**

**Experiencing a Pregnancy-Related Condition(s):** A pregnant person is considered to be "experiencing a pregnancy-related condition(s)" when they are dealing with ongoing medical issues from the pregnancy. Examples of pregnancy-related conditions include, but are not limited to, chronic migraines, depression, fatigue, gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD), gestational diabetes, persistent morning sickness, severe pelvic bone and/or back pain, and urinary tract or bladder infections. For a list of common pregnancy-related conditions that may necessitate reasonable modifications, go to <a href="https://thepregnantscholar.org/wp-content/uploads/Conditions-Accommodations.pdf">https://thepregnantscholar.org/wp-content/uploads/Conditions-Accommodations.pdf</a>.

**Modification:** An alteration of environment, curriculum format, or equipment that allows a student who is pregnant and/or experiencing a pregnancy-related condition(s) to gain access to content and/or complete assigned tasks. Modifications allow these students to pursue a regular course of study. Modifications do not alter what is being taught.

**Parental Status:** In accordance with <u>Title IX</u>, "parental status" means the status of a person who, with respect to another person who is under the age of 18 or who is 18 or older but is incapable of self-care because of physical or mental disability is:

- 1. A biological parent;
- 2. An adoptive parent;
- 3. A foster parent;
- 4. A stepparent;
- 5. A legal custodian or guardian;
- 6. In loco parentis with respect to such a person; or
- 7. Actively seeking legal custody, guardianship, visitation, or adoption of such a person.

Parenting Student: In accordance with the <u>Texas Education Code Section 51.982</u> and <u>Section 51.983</u>, "parenting student" means a student enrolled at an institution of higher education who is the parent or legal guardian of a child under 18 years of age. Parenting status includes, but is not limited to, adoptive parents, birth parents, foster parents, separated/divorced parents, etc., and neither state nor federal laws require the parent to be living with their child. Additionally, parenting status applies to both partners, regardless of sex; therefore, the non-birthing partner is also protected by both state and federal laws.

Pregnancy or Related Conditions: In accordance with Title IX, "pregnancy or related conditions" means:

- 1. Pregnancy, childbirth, loss of pregnancy, or lactation;
- 2. Medical conditions related to pregnancy, childbirth, loss of pregnancy, or lactation; or
- 3. Recovery from pregnancy, childbirth, loss of pregnancy, lactation, or related medical conditions.

**Pregnant:** In accordance with the <u>Texas Health and Safety Code, Section 170A.001</u>, "'Pregnant' means the female human reproductive condition of having a living unborn child within the female's body during the entire embryonic and fetal stages of the unborn child's development from fertilization until birth."

#### Are There Lactation Rooms on Campus?

Yes. Collin College is required to provide a lactation space, which must be a space other than a bathroom that is clean, shielded from view, free from intrusion by others, and may be used by a student for expressing breast milk or breastfeeding as needed. Each campus has at least one (1) designated lactation room. The table on p. 3 contains information regarding the locations of each campus lactation room and how to access these spaces.

### Are Students Allowed to Use Wireless Breast Pumps in Class?

Yes. These devices are considered medical devices and are regulated by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Wireless breast pumps do not create an excessive amount of noise that would be considered a classroom disruption, and do not cause a risk of exposing the breasts when used correctly. Additionally, students are not required to register with the Title IX Office or receive approved modifications prior to using wireless breast pumps in class.

## **Are Students Allowed to Bring Their Children to Class?**

No. Collin College Board Policy <u>GD (LOCAL)</u> states, "Students may not bring children to orientations, classes, labs, testing centers, or other academic programs. The parent or guardian who violates this policy will be interrupted from his or her campus activity and be required to supervise the child or make other suitable arrangements." Therefore, bringing children to class is a violation of this policy as well as the <u>Student Code of Conduct</u>. Any student who brings their child to class will be referred to the Student Conduct Office for appropriate disciplinary action. Additionally, the Collin College Police Department will be immediately notified of any unattended children on campus.

	Campus	<b>Campus Lactation Rooms</b>	าร
Campus	Building	Room Number	How to Access
Celina Campus	Main Building	104	Unlocked during normal building hours.  No key or scheduling needed.  Locks from the inside.  Shows as "occupied" when someone is already using the room.
Collin Higher Education Center	TBD	TBD	TBD
Courtyard Center	Main Building	121	Unlocked during normal building hours.  No key or scheduling needed.  Locks from the inside.  Shows as "occupied" when someone is already using the room.
Farmersville Campus	Main Building	A-Wing (Next to the Women's Restroom by the Common Area)	Unlocked during normal building hours.  No key or scheduling needed.  Locks from the inside.  Shows as "occupied" when someone is already using the room.
Frisco Campus	IT Center	П-318	To access the room, send an email to Gary Goldgar, Executive Assistant to the Campus Provost, at <a href="mailto:ggoldgar@collin.edu">ggoldgar@collin.edu</a> .
McKinney Campus	Andrea-Mennen Welcome Center	W-107	Unlocked during normal building hours.  No key or scheduling needed.  Locks from the inside.  Shows as "occupied" when someone is already using the room.
Public Safety Training Center	TBD	TBD	TBD
Plano Campus	Main Building	Suite G-227	To obtain the key, go to the Campus Provost's Office.
Technical Campus	Building A	A-114C	Unlocked during normal building hours.  No key or scheduling needed.  Locks from the inside.  Shows as "occupied" when someone is already using the room.
Wylie Campus	Student Center	SC-107	To obtain the key, go to the Information Desk or Student Engagement Office. Locks from the inside. No scheduling needed. Shows as "occupied" when someone is already using the room.

# **Does Collin College Have Any Services or Programs to Support Students' Academic Success?**

### **Academic Planning Coach Program**

The Academic Planning Coach Program supports traditionally underserved First-Time-in-College (FTIC) students by connecting them with essential campus resources to help them achieve their academic and career goals. Participants are paired with a staff or faculty member who guides them through key aspects of college success. The program helps students explore Collin College's resources, strengthen their networks, and build confidence. It also helps them in identifying and articulating academic and career goals while staying on track with academic planning, course registration, degree requirements, graduation and transfer planning, and other topics relevant to first-year success.

Website: www.collin.edu/explore/coaching.html

#### **Advising**

Collin College advising is centered around empowering students to define and achieve their educational goals, navigate program completion, and explore career pathways through directed advising. Students participating in the advising process receive personalized guidance tailored to their unique needs and aspirations. Students can meet with an advising team member virtually, by email, or in person at whichever campus is most convenient for them.

#### Office Locations:

Celina Campus, Room 102

Farmersville Campus, Suite 123

McKinney Campus, Room W-100

Technical Campus, Room A-102

Courtyard Center, Room 101

Frisco Campus, Suite F-109

Plano Campus, Room G-103

Wylie Campus, Suite CC-100

Hours: Hours vary by campus. Contact the campus location that is most convenient for you to obtain current hours.

Website: www.collin.edu/admissions/connectwithus.html

#### **Anthony Peterson Center for Academic Assistance (Tutoring)**

The Anthony Peterson Center for Academic Assistance (APCAA) is the tutoring home to the Math Labs, Science Dens, and Writing Centers. Each Center assists students by providing a combination of math, reading, science, writing, and other subject tutoring support as well as open-seating study areas, printing, and access to computers. Collin County community members are also welcome to use the Center's services on a walk-in basis. Appointments are encouraged for students, but walk-ins are welcome when tutors are available. The Center also has an online-only appointment system that serves the entire College District. Students who are pregnant and/or experiencing a pregnancy-related condition(s) may request a longer tutoring session.

#### Office Locations and Phone Numbers:

Celina Campus, Library Room 002: 469.905.3528 Farmersville Campus, Room 120: 972.549.6499

Frisco Campus Math Lab, Room F-148: 972.377.1639 Frisco Campus Science Den, Room LH-202: ScienceDen@collin.edu

Frisco Campus Writing Center, Room LH-141: 972.377.1576 McKinney Campus, Room C-119: 972.548.6896
Online: 972.548.6499 Plano Campus, Room D-203: 972.881.5921

Technical Campus, Room A-280: 972.553.1236 Wylie Campus, Room WLB-217: 972.378.8935

Hours: Hours vary by campus. Contact the campus location that is most convenient for you to obtain current hours.

Email: APCAA.Districtwide@collin.edu

Website: www.collin.edu/studentresources/tutoring/

#### **College Success Seminars**

These seminars teach students basic academic skills to increase college success. A schedule of these free seminars is published each semester in the Canvas shell.

Email: ljaveed@collin.edu or khanvey@collin.edu

#### First-Year Experience (FYE) Program

Engaging in the First-Year Experience (FYE) program provides students with critical resources, support networks, and guidance to facilitate a successful transition to college. This program fosters meaningful connections with peers, faculty, and staff while equipping students with essential academic and personal development strategies. A key component of the First-Year Experience program at Collin College is the Academic Planning Coach Program, which pairs eligible students with a planning coach to provide individual guidance and support throughout the academic year.

Website: www.collin.edu/firstyear

#### Libraries

All Collin College libraries provide access to the internet and online electronic resources, as well as print and multimedia material. Each campus library holds collections of scholarly books, journals, and videos. Reference librarians provide quick assistance with essays or presentations and are invaluable for in-depth research.

#### **Phone Numbers:**

 Celina Campus: 469.905.3568
 Farmersville Campus: 972.549.6460

 Frisco Campus: 972.377.1571
 McKinney Campus: 972.548.6869

 Plano Campus: 972.881.5985
 Technical Campus: 972.553.1173

Wylie Campus: 972.378.8479

Hours: Hours vary by campus. Contact the campus location that is most convenient for you to obtain current hours.

Website: www.collin.edu/library/

## What Childcare Options Are Available?

#### **Child Development Lab School**

Collin College provides a Child Development Lab School at the Plano Campus. Qualifying students and Collin College employees may enroll their children in the Child Development Lab School as space permits. The children's program promotes physical, social, emotional, and cognitive development in a nurturing and supportive environment. Daily activities are based on individual children's needs and interests.

Phone: 972.881.5945

#### Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) Childcare Database

There are many childcare facilities in the local community. Choosing quality childcare is important, no matter which kind of provider parents decide upon. The Texas Department of Family and Protective Services maintains a database parents can use to search for licensed childcare facilities. This database in intended to assist parents with making informed decisions when choosing a childcare provider.

Website: https://childcare.hhs.texas.gov/Child Care/Search Texas Child Care/ppfacilitysearchdaycare.asp

## What Counseling and Mental Health Support Services Are Available?

#### 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline

The 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline provides free and confidential support for people in distress. Additionally, it connects individuals to trained counselors who are part of the existing Lifeline network. These trained counselors will listen, understand how their problems are affecting the individual, provide support, and connect the individual to appropriate resources, as necessary.

24/7 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline Phone, Text, and Chat: 988

Phone: 800.273.8255 Website: https://988lifeline.org/

#### **Counseling Services Office**

Personal and group counseling sessions are offered free of charge to all currently enrolled Collin College students. Counseling sessions are confidential and conducted by licensed mental health professionals. Additionally, the Counseling Services Office can provide appropriate referrals to on- and off-campus resources for Collin College students and employees.

#### Office Locations:

Farmersville Campus, Room 127G Frisco Campus, Room H-210 McKinney Campus, Suite W-200 Plano Campus, Suite D-134 Wylie Campus, Suite CC-215

Hours: Hours vary by campus. Contact the campus location that is most convenient for you to obtain current hours.

Phone: 972.881.5126 Email: personalcounseling@collin.edu

Website: www.collin.edu/studentresources/counseling/index.html

#### LifePath Systems

LifePath Systems is a community-based, non-profit organization created specifically to help individuals and their families dealing with mental illnesses, intellectual disabilities, and developmental delays. LifePath Systems provides mental health services for people in Collin County, Texas, and surrounding areas.

**24/7 Crisis Hotline:** 877.422.5939 **Phone:** 972.562.0190

Website: www.lifepathsystems.org/

#### **TimelyCare**

Collin College provides telehealth services free of charge to currently enrolled Collin College students, adjunct faculty, part-time staff, and eligible full-time faculty and staff (i.e., those who are not enrolled in any of the college's medical insurance plans) through TimelyCare. Telehealth sessions are confidential and conducted by licensed physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, and mental health providers. There is no charge for qualified individuals to utilize TimelyCare's services.

**Hours:** 24 hours a day, 7 days a week **Phone:** 833.484.6359

Email: help@timely.md Website: www.timelycare.com/collincollege

#### What Medical Resources Are Available?

Collin College provides free telehealth services to students through TimelyCare. Students can also receive attention at any local medical facility; however, Collin College will not reimburse or pay for students' treatment. Additionally, Collin College does not provide transportation to any local medical facility.

#### Health Services of North Texas (HSNT)

Health Services of North Texas (HSNT) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing quality medical care for the entire family. HSNT's mission is to improve the quality of life for all North Texans through medical care, support service and advocacy. HSNT has a team of dedicated healthcare professionals who will discuss and engage with you to create a treatment plan aligned with evidence-based care for your diagnosis. HSNT accepts most major medical insurance, including Medicaid and Medicare, and offers a sliding fee scale based on income for those patients that may be uninsured or underinsured. HSNT also offers family planning, prenatal care, counseling, medication management, chronic and infectious disease care, and prescription assistance services. HSNT has six (6) locations in Denton, Plano, and Wylie.

Phone: 940.381.1501 Website: https://healthservicesntx.org/

#### **Hope Women's Center**

Hope Women's Center is a non-profit medical clinic serving Collin County and the surrounding North Dallas area that provides support and resources to help women along their pregnancy journey. Hope Women's Center provides free medical services and accurate information on all options regarding unplanned pregnancy, including education on adoption and parenting. Hope Women's Center's goal is to provide women and teens with an education that empowers them to make healthy, well-informed decisions.

Address: 2777 Virginia Parkway, McKinney, TX 75071 Phone: 972.562.4671

Website: <a href="https://myhope.org/">https://myhope.org/</a>

#### **Planned Parenthood**

Planned Parenthood is a health care provider, educator, and advocate that delivers vital reproductive health care, sex education, and information to women, men, and young people worldwide. Planned Parenthood offers sexually transmitted infection (STI) testing, birth control, and pregnancy options.

Phone: 800.230.7526 Website: www.plannedparenthood.org/

#### Prestonwood Pregnancy Center

Prestonwood Pregnancy Center is a non-profit organization that provides confidential and compassionate care and essential resources to women in the greater Dallas-Fort Worth area who are facing unplanned pregnancies. Prestonwood Pregnancy Center is committed to being a supportive and safe clinic, to helping women make the choice that is right for them, and to providing honest and accurate information. Prestonwood Pregnancy Center offers free and confidential services, including pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, STI tests, classes and workshops, guidance, and a family resource center. Additionally, Prestonwood Pregnancy Center offers material assistance such as baby supplies and educational resources. Insurance is not needed and no fees are collected.

Richardson Office Address: 690 W. Campbell Rd., Suite 150, Richardson, TX 75080

Southwest Dallas Office Address: 7988 W. Virginia Dr., Suite 100, Dallas, TX 75237

Phone: 972.428.4700

Email: ppc@prestonwood.org

Website: <a href="https://prestonwoodpregnancy.org/">https://prestonwoodpregnancy.org/</a>

#### **Real Options**

Real Options is a non-profit organization that serves Collin County, Texas, and North Dallas, Texas. Real Options's goal is to empower clients to make informed choices when facing an unplanned pregnancy or possible sexually transmitted infection (STI) infection. Real Options offers free and confidential pregnancy testing, sonograms, options assessments, community resources, and STI screenings.

Address: 1776 W. McDermott Drive, Suite 100, Allen, Texas 75013

Phone and Text: 972.810.7576 Email: info@realoptionstx.com

Website: <a href="https://realoptionstx.com/">https://realoptionstx.com/</a>

#### **Texas Health Steps**

Texas Health Steps is health care for children, teens, and young adults aged 20 and under who receive Medicaid. Texas Health Steps checkups are designed to find and treat medical and dental problems. Texas Health Steps Comprehensive Care Program (CCP) provides all medically necessary treatment for correction of any physical or mental health problems for everyone from birth to age 20 who receives Medicaid. CCP covers medically necessary benefits and services even they are not available within the Medicaid State Plan.

**Phone:** 866.912.6283 or 877.847.8377

**Website:** www.dfps.texas.gov/Child Protection/Medical Services/Texas Heath Steps.asp#:~:text=Texas%20Health%20Steps%20is%20health,depends%20on%20the%20child's%20age.

#### **TimelyCare**

Collin College provides telehealth services free of charge to currently enrolled Collin College students, adjunct faculty, part-time staff, and eligible full-time faculty and staff (i.e., those who are not enrolled in any of the college's medical insurance plans) through TimelyCare. Telehealth sessions are confidential and conducted by licensed physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, and mental health providers. There is no charge for qualified individuals to utilize TimelyCare's services.

**Hours:** 24 hours a day, 7 days a week **Phone:** 833.484.6359

Email: help@timely.md Website: www.timelycare.com/collincollege

#### Whole Woman's Health

Whole Woman's Health is a privately owned, feminist healthcare management company committed to providing holistic care for all. Whole Woman's Health manages health clinics providing comprehensive gynecology services. Whole Woman's Health's philosophy is that everyone must be at the center of their own healthcare decisions, and that treating people holistically — honoring head, heart, and body — will better serve and improve health and happiness of our communities. Whole Woman's Health is committed to providing accessible and compassionate care to all.

Website: www.wholewomanshealth.com/

## **What Employment Resources Are Available?**

#### **Career Centers**

Collin College's Career Centers bridge the gap between students' academic journeys and career aspirations. The Career Centers provide a friendly and professional environment where students can explore various career options, identify their interests, and chart a pathway that aligns with their course of study.

#### Office Locations and Phone Numbers:

 Celina Campus, Room 121: 469.905.3547
 Farmersville Campus, Room 108: 972.548.6425

 Frisco Campus, Room F-161: 469.365.1904
 McKinney Campus, Room W-104: 972.548.6747

 Plano Campus, Room F-102: 972.881.5627
 Wylie Campus, Room CC-105: 972.378.8323

#### **Human Resources Department (HR)**

The Human Resources Department (HR) provides advocacy, support, and accommodations to Collin College full-time, part-time, and student employees. Additionally, all of Collin College's job postings, including student employment positions, are listed on the HR website.

Office Location: Collin Higher Education Center, Suite 339 Hours: Mon. through Fri. 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Phone: 972.599.3152 Email: hr@collin.edu

Website: www.collin.edu/hr/index.html

#### North Texas Job Corps Center

The North Texas Job Corps Center provides free career training for 16- through 24-year olds so these individuals can gain the skills and tools they need to begin a career or apprenticeship, advance to higher education, or join the military.

Phone: 800.733.5627 Website: https://northtexas.jobcorps.gov/

#### **Texas Workforce Commission (TWC)**

The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) offers career planning tools, job search resources, skills matching to new careers, and resources on training and education programs. Additionally, the TWC can assist individuals with applying for unemployment benefits and provides job assistance and resources for veterans.

Phone: 800.939.6631 Website: www.twc.texas.gov/

#### **Workforce Solutions for North Central Texas**

Workforce Solutions for North Central Texas's mission is to advance business-driven solutions that promote economic growth, opportunity, and a skilled workforce. The programs they oversee are designed to ensure that businesses remain competitive, workers have the opportunity to obtain skills that will help them become or remain self-sufficient, and communities are economically resilient. Workforce Solutions for North Central Texas provides a range of services for families, including, but not limited to, assistance with finding and paying for childcare, helping individuals explore various career pathways, job search resources, veterans career services, and vocational rehabilitation.

Phone: 888.548.9675 Website: www.dfwjobs.com/

#### What Financial Resources Are Available?

#### Child Care Access Means Parents in School Program (CCAMPIS)

Funded by the US Department of Education, the federal Child Care Access Means Parents in School Program (CCAMPIS) provides funding for childcare based on a sliding scale. It is intended to assist Collin College students with childcare costs. Childcare services are proved at the Collin College Child Development Lab School located on the Plano Campus and other partnering National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) accredited centers. Students who meet the eligibility requirements for this grant may submit an application. If the student's application is approved, a portion of child care costs will be paid directly to the child care center.

Contact: Madeline Hudson, CCAMPIS Grant Coordinator Phone: 972.516.5031

Email: mehudson@collin.edu Website: www.collin.edu/studentresources/personal/child care.html

#### Collin College Foundation (Scholarships)

The Collin College Foundation awards scholarships to qualified students who are pursuing their associate and baccalaureate degrees. Scholarships are available to incoming freshmen, returning students, and high school dual credit students who are currently enrolled at Collin College. Students can apply online during two (2) open application cycles, which include mid-January through March and mid-September through October each year.

Office Location: Collin Higher Education Center, Suite 429 Hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Phone: 972.758.3147 Email: aking@collin.edu

Website: www.collin.edu/foundation/index.html

#### **Financial Aid and Veterans Services Office**

The Financial Aid and Veterans Services Office provides federal, state, and veterans financial assistance for Collin College students. Assists students with identifying and obtaining resources to support their educational pursuits.

#### Office Locations:

Celina Campus, Room 124Farmersville Campus, Room 123EFrisco Campus, Suite F-109McKinney Campus, Suite W-100Plano Campus, Suite G-103Technical Campus, Room A-102

Wylie Campus, Suite CC-100

Hours: Hours vary by campus. Contact the campus location that is most convenient for you to obtain current hours.

Phone: 972.881.5760 Email: financialaid@collin.edu

Website: www.collin.edu/financialaid/index.html

#### Perkins Grant Student Support Program

The Perkins Grant Student Support Program provides reimbursement for textbooks, transportation, childcare, and select industry-recognized exams.

Email: perkinsgrants@collin.edu Website: www.collin.edu/grants/resources

## **Are There Any Food and Housing Assistance Programs?**

Collin College does not currently have the means to offer food and housing assistance. Students can contact the community resources listed below to find out whether they are eligible to utilize these services.

#### **All Community Outreach (ACO)**

All Community Outreach (ACO) provides free services for Collin County, including financial assistance with household bills, utility and housing assistance, food, medical visits and prescriptions, and clothing. ACO also offers GED classes, college assistance, financial coaching, and career counseling.

Phone: 972.727.9131 Website: www.acocares.org

#### **Assistance Center of Collin County**

The Assistance Center of Collin County brings carefully qualified and prompt short-term assistance to individuals and families in financial crisis to help them regain self-sufficiency. Through discerning programs, guidance and funds, the Assistance Center of Collin County helps stabilize Collin County families' home economies to fight homelessness, hunger and poverty as well as help protect the entire community by serving those in need.

Address: 900 E. 18<sup>th</sup> St., Plano, Texas 75074 Hours: Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Assistance Hotline:** 972.422.1850 **Phone:** 972.422.1125

Website: <a href="https://assistancecenter.org/">https://assistancecenter.org/</a>

#### **Community Food Pantry of McKinney**

The Community Food Pantry of McKinney provides basic foods to people and families who have lost their jobs, lost income due to illness, or who have had an addition to their family and cannot make ends meet. The Community Food Pantry of McKinney also assists with bridging the gap between Food Stamp applications and award.

Phone: 972.547.4404 Website: www.mckinney foodpantry.org/

#### Frisco Down Payment Assistance Program

The City of Frisco, Texas, currently offers a Down Payment Assistance Program designed to help low—and moderate-income families employed by the City of Frisco or Frisco ISD to purchase a home in Frisco, Texas.

Phone: 972.292.5108 Email: commdevdiv@friscotexas.gov

Website: www.friscotexas.gov/680/Down-Payment-Assistance-Program

#### **Frisco Family Services**

Frisco Family Services provides families and individuals living in Frisco or within the Frisco ISD limits with one-time-only emergency financial assistance; food, vouchers for clothing and household goods at Frisco Resale; adult like skills classes; and back-to-school clothing, shoes, and supplies.

Phone: 972.335.9495 Website: https://friscofamilyservices.org/

#### **North Texas Food Bank**

The North Texas Food Bank is a nonprofit hunger relief organization that distributes donated and purchased foods through a network of nearly 500 partner agencies and organizations in 13 counties, including Collin County, Dallas County, and Denton County.

**Phone:** 214.269.0906 **Website:** <u>https://ntfb.org/</u>

#### **Texas Department of Health and Human Services**

The Texas Department of Human Services provides information on Food Stamps, Medicaid, Meals on Wheels, disaster assistance, pregnancy support, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) food benefits, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Cash Help, and other social service agencies.

**Phone:** 877.541.7905 **Website:** <u>www.hhs.texas.gov/</u>

## **Is Transportation Assistance Available?**

Collin College does not currently have the means to offer transportation assistance to a student who is pregnant, experiencing a pregnancy-related condition(s), and/or parenting. Students can contact the community transportation resources listed below to find out whether they are eligible to utilize these services.

#### **Collin County Transit**

Collin County Transit is powered by the Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) Mobility Service. The service provides on-demand shared rides to students who are a resident of Celina, Lowry Crossing, McKinney, Melissa, Princeton, or Prosper. Collin County Transit operates Monday through Friday from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., except on major holidays.

Phone: 469.771.0667 Website: https://dart.org/riding/collincountytransit.asp

#### **Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART)**

Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) provides Go-Link, an on-demand service. DART's Go-Link service operates from 5:00 a.m. to midnight seven (7) days a week in the North Central Plano/Chase Oaks Zone, and provides access to the Plano Campus and surrounding community.

Phone: 214.515.7272 Website: www.dart.org/riding/golink.asp

#### Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) Medical Transportation Program

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) provides free non-emergency medical transportation services for Medicaid beneficiaries and their children. These services include rides to doctors' offices, dentists' offices, hospitals, drug stores, and any other places that provide covered healthcare services.

Phone: 877.633.8747

Website: www.hhs.texas.gov/services/health/medicaid-chip/medicaid-chip-members/medical-transportation-program

#### **Statement of Non-Discrimination**

Collin College does not discriminate on the basis of sex and prohibits sex discrimination, which includes pregnancy and parenting status, in any education program or activity that it operates, as required by <u>Title IX</u>, including in admission and employment. For more information, go to <u>www.collin.edu/titleix/</u>.

## **Reporting Prohibited Conduct**

If you believe you have been discriminated against due to pregnancy, experiencing a pregnancy-related condition(s), and/or parenting, or if you believe that another student has been discriminated against due to pregnancy, experiencing a pregnancy-related condition(s), an/or parenting, you should immediately report the alleged act(s) to the liaison officer for pregnant and parenting students listed on page 1 of this document, the appropriate Title IX coordinator or deputy Title IX coordinator listed below, another Collin College employee, or submit a report electronically through Collin College's website at <a href="https://collin.guardianconduct.com/incident-reporting?">https://collin.guardianconduct.com/incident-reporting?</a> incident type= Title IX Formal Complaint Form.

#### **Title IX Coordinator for Students**

Terrence Brennan
District Dean of Students
Frisco Campus
9700 Wade Blvd.
Room F144B
Frisco, Texas 75035
Phone: 972.881.5734

Email: tbrennan@collin.edu

#### Title IX Coordinator for Employees

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#### **Deputy Title IX Coordinator for Students**

Amy Throop
Associate Dean Title IX Compliance
Technical Campus
2550 Bending Branch Way
Suite A004/A006
Allen, Texas 75013
Phone: 972.599.3126

Email: athroop@collin.edu

#### **Deputy Title IX Coordinator for Employees**

Tonya Jacobson Manager Employee Relations Collin Higher Education Center 3452 Spur 399 Suite 339 McKinney, Texas 75069

Phone: 972.758.3856
Email: tjacobson@collin.edu

For more information on reporting prohibited conduct, go to www.collin.edu/titleix/reportingprohibitedconduct.html.

For more information on Collin College's Title IX investigation and resolution procedures, go to <a href="https://www.collin.edu/titleix/titleixcomplaintresolution.html">www.collin.edu/titleix/titleixcomplaintresolution.html</a>.

## Students' Right to Contact the U.S. Department of Education

Students have the right to submit a complaint to the U.S. Department of Education Office for Civil Rights (OCR) at any time. To file a complaint with OCR, call 800.421.3481, email <a href="mailto:ocr@ed.gov">ocr@ed.gov</a>, or go to <a href="mailto:https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/complaintintro.html">https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/complaintintro.html</a>.

## **Additional Campus Resources**

## Accommodations at Collin College for Equal Support Services (ACCESS) Office (Accessibility/Disability Services)

The Accommodations at Collin College for Equal Support Services (ACCESS) Office provides disability services, reasonable accommodations, individual attention, and support for Collin College students who need assistance with any aspect of their campus experience (e.g., accessibility, academics, testing, and registration).

#### Office Locations:

Celina Campus, Room 103D Farmersville Campus, Room 127G Frisco Campus, Room H-210 McKinney Campus, Suite W-200 Plano Campus, Suite D-140 Technical Campus, Suite A-004 Wylie Campus, Suite CC-215

**Hours:** Hours vary by campus. Contact the campus location that is most convenient for you to obtain current hours.

Phone: 972.881.5898 Email: access@collin.edu

Website: www.collin.edu/studentresources/disabilityservices/

index.html

#### **Collin College Police Department**

The Collin College Police Department works to ensure a positive learning environment that is free of crime, violence, or the threat of violence. Collin College Police Department officers are located at each campus and center, except for the Rockwall Center which is patrolled by the Rockwall Police Department, and can take reports, investigate incidents, make lawful arrests of violators, and issue citations when necessary.

#### Office Locations:

Celina Campus, Room 129
Collin Higher Education Center, Room 134
Courtyard Center, Room 125
Farmersville Campus, Room 103
Frisco Campus, Room LH-179
McKinney Campus, Room C-121
Plano Campus, Suite K-119
Technical Campus, Room C-010
Wylie Campus, Room B-139

**Hours:** 24 hours a day, 365 days a year

**Phone:** 972.578.5555

Website: www.collin.edu/campuspolice/index.html

#### **District Dean of Students Office**

The District Dean of Students Office provides advocacy and support to Collin College students. Assists students with reporting to the appropriate Title IX coordinator or deputy Title IX coordinator and local law enforcement agencies.

#### Office Locations:

Celina Campus, Room 103E
Collin Higher Education Center, Suite 457
Farmersville Campus, Room 127G
Frisco Campus, Room F-139
McKinney Campus, Suite W-200
Plano Campus, Suite D-128
Technical Campus, Suite A-004
Wylie Campus, Suite CC-215

**Hours:** Hours vary by campus. Contact the campus location that is most convenient for you to obtain current hours.

Phone: 972.881.5604

Email: dos@collin.edu

Website: www.collin.edu/studentresources/deanofstudents/

#### **International Student Office**

The International Student Office (ISO) provides visa and immigration assistance for Collin College students.

Office Location: McKinney Campus, Suite W-200

Hours: Mon. through Thurs. 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Fri. 9:00 a.m.

to 5:00 p.m.

Phone: 972.516.5012 Email: ISO@collin.edu

Website: www.collin.edu/advising/international/index.html

#### Student Engagement

Student Engagement strives to enhance student learning and development. Student Engagement's goal is to provide cocurricular civic, educational, leadership, and social programs. Students can also join student organizations and committees, work on special projects, and enjoy social activities with friends.

#### Office Locations and Phone Numbers:

Frisco Campus, Room A-186: 972.377.1529 McKinney Campus, Room C-118A: 972.548.6788 Plano Campus, Room F-129: 972.881.5788 Wylie Campus, Room SC-105: 972.378.8471

 $\mbox{\bf Hours:}$  Hours vary by campus. Contact the campus location that is

most convenient for you to obtain current hours.

Email: studentengagement@collin.edu

Website: www.collin.edu/campuslife/studentlife/

#### **Veterans Resource Centers (VRCs)**

The Veterans Resource Centers (VRCs) coordinate college-wide services to connect military-affiliated students with Collin College and community resources. Services provided by the VRCs range from providing information regarding academics, admissions, financial aid, and Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) educational benefits to advocacy and resource referrals. Veterans and military-affiliated students are welcomed and encouraged to utilize the study areas and computer stations in the VRCs. Spending time in the VRCs also provides veterans and military-affiliated students the opportunity to network with other individuals who have served.

#### Office Locations and Phone Numbers:

Celina Campus, Room 124: 469.905.3527
Farmersville Campus, Room 123E: 972.549.6436
Frisco Campus, Room F-141: 972.377.1020
McKinney Campus, Suite W-204: 972.548.6767
Plano Campus, Rooms D-200 and D-201: 972.881.5774
Technical Campus, Room A-150: 972.553.1186
Wylie Campus, Suite CC-214: 972.378.8291

Hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Email: vrc@collin.edu

Website: www.collin.edu/studentresources/veteransresources/

## **Additional Community and Off-Campus Resources**

The following resources are available in the community. Collin College does not endorse any particular resource. It is the individual's responsibility to research the available resources and make appropriate choices based on the information received.

#### **Buckner Family Hope Center**

that is child-centered and family-focused. Buckner Family Hope Center's programs seek to provide single-parent families the opportunity to live in a safe, secure environment while completing their educational or vocational goals and learning the skills they need to be self-sufficient. Families are provided support through access to affordable housing, financial assistance, counseling, spiritual growth, and case management services.

Phone: 214.328.3141

Email: bucknercommunications@buckner.org Website: www.buckner.org/dallas-fort-worth

#### **Catholic Charities Dallas**

Catholic Charities Dallas is a faith-based social service agency focused on improving the quality of life for people in need. Catholic Charities Dallas offers pregnancy services, parenting resources, free weekly parenting classes, and an adoption program. Additionally. Catholic Charities Dallas offers material assistance (e.g., diapers, formula, clothing, hygiene items) through their partnership with Hope Supply Company.

Hours: Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Phone: 866.223.7500 Website: www.ccdallas.org/

#### **Collin County Cares**

Collin County Cares is a searchable directory of service providers. This comprehensive directory is a collaboration of Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Plano and the Assistance Center of Collin County, and includes information on medical services, mental health services, victim's services, and other service providers throughout Collin County, Texas.

Email: info@collincares.org

Website: https://collincares.org/agency1 list.php

## Cook Children's Center for Community Health

Cook Children's Center for Community Health is dedicated to preventing childhood injury and illness and embracing wellness. Their primary service area consists of Collin, Denton, Grayson, Hood, Johnson, Parker, Tarrant, and Wise counties. Cook Children's Center for Community Health works to improve the well-being of every child through community programs and partnerships that provide child health information and caregiver education so children can reach their full potential mentally, physically, and socially.

Phone: 214.500.1442

Website: www.cookchildrenscommunity.org/

#### **Helping Hands for Single Moms**

Helping Hands for Single Moms' mission is to assist low-income single mom families as the mother attains a post-secondary education, financial independence, and a positive family legacy. Helping Hands for Single Moms provides a supportive program to facilitate success. Additionally, Helping Hands for Single Moms' Single Mom College Community provides a supportive network community made up of other single moms who can work together as a whole to empower each mom as an individual and build mutually supportive relationships. Helping Hands for Single Moms accepts applications from low-income, single mom college students who live in Dallas-Fort Worth on an ongoing basis.

Phone: 972.220.9312 or 972.220.9372

Website: https://helpinghandsforsinglemoms.org/

#### **Help Me Grow North Texas**

Buckner Family Hope Center is a faith-based social service agency Help Me Grow promotes child development by working to successfully link families to community resources that meet their needs. This happens through cross system collaboration of existing community resources that meet all families' needs. Help Me Grow North Texas provides an information line that connects a family or provider to child development services and other communitybased resources within your area. By calling this number, you are connected to an experienced child development specialist, a Family Navigator, who can provide education, resources, and information on developmental screenings to meet a family's specific needs.

Phone: 844.689.5437

Email: Info@HelpMeGrowNorthTexas.org Website: https://helpmegrownorthtexas.org/

#### **Help Me Thrive North Texas**

Help Me Thrive is a new system of care to provide the best possible resources for all families with youth ages 6 up to 17 at no cost. Help Me Thrive partners families and caregivers with a Family Navigator who is available to answer questions and link to community supports and services. Help Me Thrive's goal is to empower all families with options so they can access the best resources for their families.

Phone: 844.689.8336

Email: Referral@HelpMeThriveNorthTexas.org Website: https://helpmethrivenorthtexas.org/

#### **Hope Supply Company**

Hope Supply Company is a non-profit organization that provides diapers, wipes, hygiene kits, baby food, formula, and other essentials to the families and children that need them most in North Texas. Individuals in need of diapers can apply through the Hope Diaper Pantry program.

Address: 10480 Shady Trail, Suite 104, Dallas, TX 75220

Phone: 214.630.5765 Email: info@hopesupplyco.org Website: www.hopesupplyco.org/

#### **McKinney Public Library System**

The McKinney Public Library System offers access to the internet and online electronic resources, as well as print and multimedia material. Additionally, the McKinney Public Library System offers resources for children and events for the whole family. Library accounts are free for Collin County residents, and out-of-county residents can create a library account for \$10 per year for access to physical materials.

Phone: 972.547.7323

Website: www.mckinneytexas.org/116/Library

#### **Plano Public Library**

The Plano Public Library offers access to the internet and online electronic resources, as well as print and multimedia material. Additionally, the Plano Public Library offers resources for children and programs, classes, and events for the whole family. Library cards are free for City of Plano residents and residents of Allen, The Colony, Frisco, Garland, McKinney, Richardson, and Wylie. Residents of other cities can pay \$50 for an annual non-resident library card.

Email: webref@plano.gov

Website: www.plano.gov/9/Library

## **Additional Community and Off-Campus Resources (Continued)**

The following resources are available in the community. Collin College does not endorse any particular resource. It is the individual's responsibility to research the available resources and make appropriate choices based on the information received.

## <u>Texas Education Agency (TEA) Pregnancy and Parenting Education Resources</u>

This website provides links to local, state, and federal resources for pregnant and parenting students that provide information on programs of education and support services designed to improve school attendance, increase graduation rates, and enhance parenting skills.

Email: PregnancyRelatedServices@tea.texas.gov

Website: https://tea.texas.gov/texas-schools/health-safetydiscipline/pregnancy-related-services/pregnancy-and-paren ting-

education-resources

## <u>Texas Health and Human Services Resources for Moms and Moms-to-Be</u>

This website offers links to educational and information resources that moms and moms-to-be may find helpful.

**Website:** www.dshs.texas.gov/maternal-child-health/healthy-texas-mothers-babies/moms-to-be/resources-moms-moms-to

#### **Texas Home Visiting (THV)**

Texas Home Visiting (THV) is a free, voluntary program through which early childhood and health professionals regularly visit the homes of pregnant women and families with children under six (6) years of age. Through the use of evidence-based models, the program supports positive child health and development outcomes, increases family self-sufficiency, and creates communities where children and families can thrive.

Phone: 972.578.8100

Website: <a href="https://www.dfps.texas.gov/Prevention">www.dfps.texas.gov/Prevention</a> and Early Intervention/About Prevention and Early Intervention/thv. asp

#### **The Pregnant Scholar**

The Pregnant Scholar initiative is the nation's first and only legal resource center for pregnant and parenting students. The Pregnant Scholar aims to create an educational system where no student is asked to choose between their education and their family. The Pregnant Scholar's team provides technical assistance to college and university administrators, faculty, and students, training on Title IX's pregnancy-related protections, and assistance implementing best practices and policies to support pregnant and parenting students. The Pregnant Scholar shares strategies that center student voice and destigmatize pregnancy and parenthood in academia.

Phone: 415.565.4640

Website: <a href="https://thepregnantscholar.org/">https://thepregnantscholar.org/</a>

#### **United Way of Metropolitan Dallas**

United Way of Metropolitan Dallas provides free, expert help with local community resources and connects individuals to the resources they need through its programs and partner organizations. Individuals can receive help with applying for health insurance, legal questions, financial assistance, child development, parenting education, pregnancy support, and more.

Phone: 211 or 214.978.0000

Website: https://unitedwaydallas.org/

## The University of Texas at Dallas (UTD) Center for Children and Families

Recognizing the many challenges faced by contemporary families, our Resource and Referral program is designed to help connect parents and professionals with a variety of local and national resources. A bilingual community liaison specialist is available by phone or email to provide free consultations, resources and

referrals to help address a broad array of concerns about child, adolescent, or family issues. CCF also endorses the work of Help Me Grow North Texas (children ages 0-5) and Help Me Thrive North Texas (children and adolescents ages 6-18) as additional resources for families.

Phone: 972.883.4827 Email: ccf@utdallas.edu

Website: https://ccf.utdallas.edu/outreach/resource-and-referral/

## U.S. Department of Education Know Your Rights: Pregnant or Parenting? Title IX Protects You From Discrimination at School

This website was created by the U.S. Department of Education to house information related to Title IX requirements regarding pregnant and parenting students. Information regarding pregnant and parenting students' rights, the law, policies, and enforcement is available on this comprehensive website.

Website: https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/dcl-know-rights-201306-title-ix.html

## U.S. Department of Education Supporting the Academic Success of Pregnant and Parenting Students Website

This website was created by the U.S. Department of Education to house information related to Title IX requirements regarding pregnant and parenting students. Information regarding pregnant and parenting students' rights, the law, policies, and enforcement is available on this comprehensive website.

**Website:** https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/pregnancy.html

#### **U.S. Department of Education Title IX Website**

This website was created by the U.S. Department of Education to house information related to Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX), as amended May 19, 2020. Information regarding the law, policies, and enforcement is available on this comprehensive website.

Website: <a href="https://sites.ed.gov/titleix/">https://sites.ed.gov/titleix/</a>

