

Frank Phillips College

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History

In 1946, the Borger Independent School District applied to the State Board of education for authority to establish a junior college. Borger Junior College District was created by a vote of local citizens on June 15, 1946. Because Phillips Petroleum Company had extensive holdings in the Borger area, the board requested and received permission from Frank Phillips, founder of Phillips Petroleum, to nickname the college Frank Phillips College. The opening day for admission of students was September 6, 1948.

The College operated in a jointly-owned building with the Borger Independent School District and shared the facility with Borger High School until the College moved to its present location in 1956.

The College served primarily as a junior college, offering arts and sciences courses until 1973 when the curricula was expanded to include vocational courses. Since that time, a number of vocational, occupational-technical, workforce development, and allied health programs, along with an extensive array of continuing education and community service courses, have been added to the curricula.

During the 1970s, Frank Phillips College established off-campus sites in Canadian, Dalhart, and Perryton, Texas, and has since expanded its offerings throughout the top nine counties of the Texas Panhandle. FPC offers cosmetology certificates to students in Dumas and Hereford, and the surrounding areas.

In 2016, the College added a Livestock Genetics Center to the Agricultural Sciences Department.