

SECTION VI.A.2.1. HEALTH OCCUPATIONS PROGRAMS ADMISSIONS POLICY NOTICE AND COMMENT

The Board of Trustees revised Section VI.A.2.1. of the Lone Star College Policy Manual on **April 4, 2019**. The notice and comment period for the policy was open to the public from **December 3, 2018 through January 2, 2019**. The policy was posted for public comment at <http://www.lonestar.edu/proposed-policies.htm>. Commenters could anonymously submit comments to LSC-PolicyFeedback@lonestar.edu. We received a total of five responses, some containing comments on multiple subjects. The comments have been broken down here by topic rather than by author.

Comment 1: A commenter suggested that we rephrase the first sentence for clarity.

Response 1: We made the recommended change.

Comment 2: A commenter recognized a word-choice error in Section VI.A.2.3. and is recommending correction.

Response 2: We made the recommended change.

Comment 3: A commenter asked if the phrase “specified Independent School Districts have a special student admission criteria” constituted a loophole.

Response 3: The cited phrase does not exist in this section. The section was revised to clarify a contractual obligation held by LSC-Tomball.

Comment 4: A commenter asked that we consider modifying the age requirement of our admissions policy. The commenter is concerned that students who turn eighteen years old between the application deadline and the program start date will be considered ineligible for the program.

Response 4: Asking that students be 18 years old at by the application deadline allows the program director to conduct application audits prior to admission.

Comment 5: A commenter asked if other entities may enter into an executed agreement with LSC concerning the phrase “special student admission criteria”. The commenter would like to know if any homeschool or private school entities are designed to move students into this healthcare program.

Response 5: The cited phrase was removed in order to clarify a contractual obligation held by LSC-Tomball. Lone Star College currently has no agreements in place with the described entities.