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DATE	TIME	VENUE	EVENT	PD HOURS
ON-DEMAND	SELF-PACED	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	The Chronicle of Higher Ed – Virtual Learning Series. Browse recent and coming topics and join a discussion with national experts and leading practitioners. Timely and relevant live and virtual events regarding leadership, teaching and learning, finance and operations, and diversity/equity/ inclusion. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR SESSIONS
				
ON-DEMAND	SELF-PACED	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	NISOD On-Demand – NISOD provides budget-friendly, high-quality, and faculty-focused programs and resources for community and technical colleges. For over 40 years, NISOD’s customer-focused approach has helped align our wide array of benefits with the needs of our members. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR SESSIONS
				
ON-DEMAND	SELF-PACED	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	IS-100.C: Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS 100 – Introduction to the Incident Command System, introduces the Incident Command System (ICS) and provides the foundation for higher level ICS training. This course describes the history, features and principles, and organizational structure of the Incident Command System. It also explains the relationship between ICS and the National Incident Management System (NIMS). Learn more and start the course here.	2 HOURS
				
ON-DEMAND	SELF-PACED	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	STARLINK – was established in 1989 with a Perkins State Leadership grant. Since its founding, STARLINK has been committed to empowering student success and providing exceptional professional development to higher education communities. Our online courses allow staff, faculty, adjuncts, and CEOs to take responsibility for their growth and development, giving them the ability to personalize their learning with on-demand courses. Learn more and register here.	30 MINUTE SESSIONS
				

ON-DEMAND	SELF-PACED 	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	<p>Tech & Tell – Are you looking for new and engaging activities you can bring to your classroom? Don't have the time or the knowledge to find digital tools? Participate in live demonstrations of technology tools or websites that will help you keep your classroom organized, your students engaged, and your tech skills up to date. Learn more and register for live sessions here. Download on demand here.</p>	
ON-DEMAND	SELF-PACED 	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	<p>Canvas Training – Canvas has two on-demand courses in the Training Portal that are free. Instructors can click on the links below and enroll. Fundamentals of Accessible Digital Content Canvas Basics</p>	
TUESDAY, JULY 8, 2025	10:00 – 11:00 AM 	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	<p>Impact Rankings 2025 Masterclass – Join a complimentary regional Masterclass where we'll explore the 2025 Impact Rankings results, analyze regional data variations and identify key trends that reveal how colleges and universities are making meaningful strides in tackling sustainability and social impact. The findings offer a snapshot of higher education's contributions to global progress, both on campus and in the wider world. Learn more and register here.</p>	1 HOUR
WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 2025	12:00 – 1:00 PM 	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	<p>Bite-Sized Learning: Energize Engagement in the Digital World – Virtual interaction has become everyday practice, but challenges remain around student motivation and participation in online classrooms. Join education experts Shenita Jenkins and Hallie Keren from Ultimate Medical Academy as they explore what truly drives online engagement. Learn more and register here.</p>	1 HOUR
TUESDAY, JULY 15, 2025	12:00 – 1:00 PM 	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	<p>Championing Mental Health at Work: 2025 Research and Real-World Solutions - This session explores the evolving mental health needs of the workforce, the rising expectations around employer care, and the concrete steps organizations can take to foster resilience, belonging, and trust. Learn more and register here.</p>	1 HOUR

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 2025	1:00 – 2:00 PM 	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	Generation Now: Postsecondary Pathways for Older Learners –As traditional-age enrollment declines and students 35 and up become an increasingly important enrollment pool, hear directly from higher education experts and older learners themselves about how colleges and universities cannot just attract but best serve this growing demographic. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR
WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 2025	1:00 – 2:00PM 	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	The Evolving Work of College Advising – Good advising goes beyond course registration and scheduling. It provides personalized coaching. It fosters a sense of belonging on campus. And it helps students navigate academic, mental health, and financial challenges that may disrupt their college journey. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR
THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2025	1:00 – 2:00PM 	ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	From Chatbots to AI Agents in Admissions – Colleges have employed chatbots to support student recruitment and enrollment for several years. Many colleges are opting to upgrade from chatbots to AI agents for their admissions services. Although AI agents have been proven useful and innovative for corporate customer relations, many higher ed administrators agree that parameters need to be established when integrating automated AI to ensure students receive appropriate support. Learn more and register here.	1 HOUR
MULTIPLE DATES AND TIMES AVAILABLE		ONLINE DEVELOPMENT	Click here to learn more and access Respondus webinars.	1 HOUR

Ongoing Volunteering Opportunities

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ONGOING	Mobile Pantry Schedule 	1230 Midwestern Parkway Wichita Falls, TX 76302	Wichita Falls Area Food Bank – Since 1982, the Wichita Falls Area Food Bank has distributed food free of charge to the clients of charitable partner agencies and programs operating in 12 North Texas counties. Teams/departments are encouraged to volunteer together. To receive more information and volunteer, please complete the volunteer application .	3 HOURS
ONGOING	Volunteer Schedule 	1300 Travis St, Wichita Falls, TX 76301	Faith Mission of Wichita Falls – The mission of Faith Mission is to “Provide Christ-centered programs and services that lead the homeless towards self-sufficiency.” Faith Mission serves the homeless through two shelters, Faith Mission and Faith Refuge. Faith Resale & Donation Center also returns profits to help with operating expenses of both shelters. See the volunteer need here. Register yourself here. Register your departmental team here.	3 HOURS
ONGOING	Events 		North Texas Special Olympics – The mission of Special Olympics is to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community. See the volunteer need and register here.	3 HOURS
ONGOING	10:30 AM – 12:30 PM Monday through Friday 	1008 Burnett Street Wichita Falls, TX 76301	Meals on Wheels – The Kitchen serves over 850 seniors, homebound and disabled individuals each weekday Monday through Friday through their Meals on Wheels program. Loading and delivery take place between 10:30AM -12:30PM, and ideally, delivery is completed no later than 1:30PM. Contact the volunteer coordinator at 940.322.62320 or complete the volunteer application here.	3 HOURS