



## Office of the President

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Dear Reader,

The most basic principles of academic freedom are often expressed in homeschooling. West Texas A&M University takes pride in partnering with the Texas Home School Coalition to attract homeschooled students to attend WT by sponsoring conventions, recruiting at annual events, communicating with students and families, and learning how WT can better tailor practices to directly serve homeschooled students. Additionally, it has been an honor to serve as the graduation speaker for the Texas Home School Coalition for two years running.

Like the Texas Home School Coalition, WT believes in the values of a family unit and their significance to the fabric of our state and nation. Family life plays a critical role in shaping its members' moral and civic virtues, which are essential for a well-functioning structure and operation of a constitutional republic. The smallest hierarchical structure is a family built on the qualities of self-reliance, responsibility, and public and private virtue. These qualities, and others, are first nurtured within the family unit, which promotes the values necessary for good citizenship, such as hard work, respect for the law, and a sense of duty.

WT makes admission easy for homeschooled students, accepting homeschool transcripts for admission and the Classical Learning Test instead of the SAT or ACT for merit scholarship consideration. WT offers outstanding educational value. Our tuition is among the lowest in the country, and we are committed to helping students understand the financial commitment they are making and, to do so, keeping debt, if any, to a minimum. Further, WT is nestled in Canyon, Texas, a region of Texas that values things like strong work ethic, family, and patriotism—traits we find common with many homeschool families.

We are working to become the most homeschool-friendly University in the state of Texas because we believe students who have been homeschooled have a working knowledge and appreciation for the values generated in the teaching and learning environment of the home. As a regionally accredited University, WT is committed to offering a world-class education to help students of all backgrounds thrive in college and beyond, and make a smooth transition from homeschooling to the University. We hope when you are looking for a college for your homeschool family, you'll take a look at WT. Homeschool Students:

<https://www.wtamu.edu/admissions/apply/home-school.html>

On, On Buffaloes!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Walter V. Wendler". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "W" at the beginning.

Walter V. Wendler  
President