

AFFILIATION AGREEMENT

This Affiliation Agreement is made between Howard County, Maryland, a body corporate and politic, on behalf of the Howard County Department of Fire and Rescue Services (“HCDFRS”) and Hagerstown Community College (“HCC”).

WHEREAS, HCDFRS provides emergency medical, fire, and rescue services in Howard County and an accredited Paramedic Training Program, and

WHEREAS, HCC is an accredited community college located in Washington County, Maryland that offers an Associate Degree in Applied Science / Paramedic Emergency Services (AAS,PES) and

WHEREAS, HCDFRS and HCC mutually desire to work cooperatively to provide educational opportunities to individuals enrolled in HCDFRS’s Paramedic Training Program (“Students”);

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and mutual promises contained herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

I. OBLIGATIONS OF HCC

A. HCC will award 41 academic credits to Students who complete the HCDFRS Paramedic Training Program and who meet the following requirements:

1. Enrolls in the HCC AAS.PES degree program, and;
2. Successfully completes 15 of the 19 to 23 general education credits required for the AAS.PES degree program at HCC, and;
3. Passes the National Registry Examination.

B. HCDFRS Students may, but are not required to, enroll in the HCC AAS.PES degree program at any time during the HCDFRS Paramedic Training Program. The 41 academic credits described herein will be provided to students enrolled in the HCC AAS.PES degree program who meet the pre-requisites set out herein.

C. HCDFRS Trainees are required to pay all costs and fees associated with enrollment in the HCC AAS.PES degree program and the completion of the required 15 general education credits. All fees and costs will be waived for the award of 41 academic credits granted to HCDFRS Trainees who meet the pre-requisites set out above.

II. OBLIGATIONS OF HCDFRS

HCDFRS shall notify its students of the opportunity to earn 41 academic credits toward the HCC AAS.PES Associate Degree program.

III. OTHER TERMS

A. This Agreement shall become effective upon the date when all required signatures have been affixed and shall remain in effect for a period of two years.

B. During the term of this Agreement, the parties shall review the efficacy of the program. At the end of the two-year term, the parties may mutually agree to extend the Agreement for another two-year term. Thereafter, upon agreement of the parties, the Agreement will automatically renew for additional two-year terms.

C. Either party may terminate the Agreement by providing 30-day's notice its intent to terminate. However, except in extraordinary circumstances, if a party provides notice to terminate the Agreement, the termination shall not become effective until the academic year is completed, but no later than the following July 1. Termination of the agreement shall not impact Students currently enrolled with HCC; rather, preclude any new enrollments after the termination.

D. This Agreement may be modified only in writing signed by both parties.

E. This Agreement shall be interpreted by Maryland law.

F. This Agreement contains the entire understanding between the parties and supersedes any and all prior agreements, arrangements, communications, or representations, whether oral or in writing.

G. Notices under this Agreement shall be made as follows:

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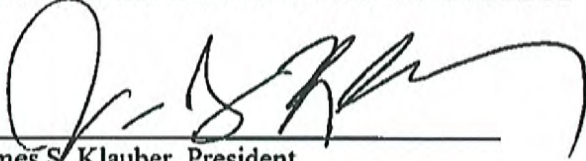
Howard County Department of Fire and Rescue Services

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the following parties are authorized to approve and enter into this Agreement:

FOR HAGERSTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE



James S. Klauber, President
Hagerstown Community College

FOR HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND

DocuSigned by:

Lonnie R. Robbins

Lonnie R. Robbins
Chief Administrative Officer

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Calvin Ball

Calvin Ball
County Executive

APPROVED:

DocuSigned by:

Fire Chief Louis Winston

Louis Winston, Fire Chief
Department of Fire and Rescue Services

APPROVED FOR FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY
this _____ day of 1/24/2023, 2023.

DocuSigned by:

Gary Kuc, County Solicitor

Gary W. Kuc
County Solicitor

Reviewing Attorney:

DocuSigned by:

Cynthia Peltzman

Cynthia G. Peltzman
Senior Assistant County Solicitor