



## CISCO COLLEGE

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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

#### **Cisco College Announces New Partnerships with RAM Inc. and Dyess Airforce Base; Board of Regents Approves Military Tuition Waiver**

Abilene / Cisco, Texas - May 18, 2023 – Cisco College is proud to announce partnerships with RAM Inc., Dyess Air Force Base, and a new tuition waiver for military service members.

Cisco College has entered into a partnership with RAM Inc. of Cisco, Texas, to offer Computer Numerical Control (CNC) courses on the Cisco Campus. The College will provide Industrial Automation courses and purchase 4 CNC machines to begin the program by September 2023. Texas job outlooks indicate that Industrial Automation is an in-demand occupation and will continue to be so for the next decade. Additionally, the College plans to offer a Level I Certificate in Industrial Automation in the near future.

“Computer Numerical Control (CNC) is high-tech machining that Cisco College is proud to begin offering on the Cisco campus”, said Cisco College President, Dr. Thad J Anglin. “The partnership with RAM is another example of the college supporting local and regional businesses and industries with the goal of training and developing a highly skilled workforce.”

In addition, Cisco College in partnership with Dyess Airforce Base, have finalized an agreement to assist in providing classes and/or training to Dyess Airforce Base Child and Youth Programs Flight. The agreement will also offer credit for CEU and credit classes and trainings that meet the minimum training requirements. The College will collect and evaluate data on the effectiveness of the classes and trainings. Cisco College is strengthening its partnership with Dyess and taking steps to address the local workforce needs.

“Cisco College is proud of our long-standing partnership with Dyess Airforce Base,” said Cisco College President, Dr. Thad J Anglin. “The Expansion of the Early Childhood Development program on the base is another step toward addressing the increasing need for child care across the state and our region. Cisco College continues to be responsive in those needs.

Military Tuition Assistance is a benefit paid to eligible members of the Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force, and Coast Guard. Effective Fall 2023, the cost per semester credit hour will be \$67 for active duty military servicemembers. The College building use, education service, out-of-district, and general fees will be waived for these individuals. Qualifying service members should reach out to their direct supervisors to begin the process to obtain tuition assistance.

“Cisco College proudly serves military service members and veteran,” said Cisco College President, Dr. Thad J Anglin. “In further support of this commitment, the Cisco College Board of Regents has approved a Military Tuition Waiver. This is a significant step to continuing to serve our military service members, veterans, and their families.”

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### ***About Cisco College***

Since first admitting students in 1940, Cisco College has offered programs and activities intended to encourage lifelong learning and enhance the quality of life in the communities it serves.

As a member of the Texas state system of publicly supported institutions of higher education, Cisco College maintains an open-door admissions policy and provides an array of learning, skill development and life experiences to motivate and challenge students. Classes are offered at two primary locations, Cisco and Abilene, in addition to several other off-campus sites. The College strives to maintain a student/faculty ratio which facilitates close interaction between faculty and students.

Cisco College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award Associate level degrees.