YAVAPAI COLLEGE
DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD
HOW IT WORKS FOR YOU

Yavapai COLLEGE
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HISTORY OF YAVAPAI COLLEGE

Yavapai College was established in 1965 by a county-wide election. In the four years that followed, a Board was appointed, a bond was passed, college personnel were hired, and curricula were established. The first classes were held in fall of 1969. During the past 40 years, the college has expanded to better serve the growing communities in the county by establishing the Prescott Campus, Verde Valley Campus, Chino Valley Agribusiness & Science Technology Campus, Career and Technical and Education Center (CTEC), Prescott Valley Campus, and Sedona Center for Arts & Technology.

TERM OF OFFICE

The Yavapai College District Governing Board members are community individuals who live within Yavapai County. Board members are elected officials for six-year terms representing five districts within the County.

REPRESENTING TAXPAYERS

The Yavapai College District Governing Board is responsible for governing on behalf of and is accountable to the taxpayers of Yavapai County. They fulfill this accountability by developing policies that govern the operations of the College, delegate responsibilities to the President of the College, and then hold the President accountable for the delegated areas through a structured monitoring process. Yavapai College District Governing Board conducts business by using the Policy Governance® model.

The Board's role is to act as a link between the taxpayers and management, directing and regulating the organization on the taxpayer's behalf. While Board members are elected by the voters of Yavapai County, they make decisions in the best interest of the taxpayers as a whole.
Residents of Yavapai County can provide input on any topic or issue within the jurisdiction of the Yavapai College District Governing Board at a scheduled Board meeting during the agenda topic, “Open Call”. Under the Arizona Open Meeting Law, A.R.S. §38-431.01 (H) at the conclusion of the Open Call, individual members of the Board may respond, may ask staff to review the matter or may ask that the matter be put on a future agenda. However, members of the Board shall not discuss or take legal action on matters raised during an open call unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action.

Residents can also contact their elected Board member by contacting the College President’s Office at 928.776.2307.

The Yavapai College District Governing Board generally meets the second Tuesday of each month (except July) at 1 p.m. Meetings rotate to various locations within the College district. Please visit the District Governing Board website at www.yc.edu/governing-board or call the President’s Office at 928-776-2307 for the current month’s meeting location.

The Mission of Yavapai College is to provide quality higher learning and cultural resources for the diverse populations of Yavapai County.
The District Governing Board has developed and approved the following Ends Statements for this current fiscal year. Throughout the year, the District Governing Board members meet with members of the local communities, both individually or in organized meetings (public forums). These venues help the Board in understanding the various views from community members of Yavapai County about Yavapai College. This input is valuable to the Board in making decisions to lead the College in the best interest of the taxpayers.

1. **Ends**
   Yavapai College exists so communities within Yavapai County are equipped with the vision and skills to create a sustainable economic environment. The College will fulfill this role at a justifiable cost. The following Ends are listed in priority order:

   1.1 **Education Ends**
      Students achieve their educational goals.

      1.1.1 **Job Seekers Ends**
      Job seekers have the qualifications, skills, and abilities to succeed.

      1.1.2 **Student Ends**
      Students seeking transfer will succeed at their next educational institution.

      1.1.3 **Lifelong Learning Adult Ends**
      Lifelong learning adults have affordable access to a variety of high-quality learning opportunities

   1.2 **Economic Ends**
   Communities have the leadership and educational resources to generate and sustain economic base jobs.

      1.2.1 **Community Leadership**
      Leaders understand the importance of economic base jobs to Yavapai County.

   1.3 **Community Ends**
   Yavapai County residents have access to a vibrant social and cultural life.
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