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## **Waco City Academy Opens Registration for the Inaugural 2022 Class.**

**WACO, TEXAS (July 5, 2022)** – The City of Waco opened registration for the inaugural Waco City Academy. Waco City Academy is a ten-week class that offers an interactive behind-the-scenes look into city government with sessions from each department. Seats are limited to 25 participants and will be selected on a first applied, first enrolled basis. Three seats will be reserved for residents from each council district and the remaining 10 seats will be filled regardless of district.

The application opened at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, July 5. The deadline to apply is 5 p.m., Friday, August 5, but the application will close earlier if seats are filled. The application is available online at [waco-texas.com/cityacademy](http://waco-texas.com/cityacademy) or paper applications are available at City Hall. Paper applications can be mailed to P.O. Box 2570, Waco, Texas 76702.

Applicants must be at least 18 years of age, live in the City of Waco and commit to attending the ten sessions and graduation. The 2022 Waco City Academy will take place mostly on Thursday evenings in addition to a Saturday field trip and graduation reception.

- Thursday evening classes will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. from September 8 to October 27 plus November 10.
- Saturday field trip will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on November 5.
- Graduation will be held on Tuesday, November 15 during the Waco City Council meeting. The reception will begin at 5 p.m. followed by a recognition at 6 p.m. during the business session.

“The City of Waco is excited to introduce this new Waco City Academy learning opportunity to the residents of Waco,” said Melett Harrison, director of neighborhood engagement. “We hope that it will help participants to learn more about your local government operations and how to work with the city.”

For more information and for a full schedule of Waco City Academy, visit [waco-texas.com/cityacademy](http://waco-texas.com/cityacademy). If residents need assistance accessing the application, contact the Office of Neighborhood Engagement at [neighborhoods@wacotx.gov](mailto:neighborhoods@wacotx.gov) or 254.750.5774.

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