

# UTA West



***With the development of UTA West, the University looks forward to deepening its collaborations with community leaders in education, industry, government, and nonprofit organizations. Below is a selection of their responses to the UTA West announcement in August.***



“Any time the UT System can expand greater educational opportunity, access, and affordability to Texans, we’re going to do it. We’ve recently done it in east Texas and south Texas and now we’re heading west.

We’re looking forward to planting a UT Arlington flag in west Fort Worth, currently the nation’s fastest growing city.”

**—Kevin Eltife, Chairman, UT System Board of Regents**



“Years from now when we look back at major milestones in the life of the Fort Worth region and UT Arlington’s history, this new campus will rise to be among the top. As cities prepare for rapid growth, the

presence of great universities contributes immensely to their vibrant transformation, and we applaud the very special relationship between UT Arlington and Fort Worth as they plan for the future in such an insightful and strategic way.”

**—J.B. Milliken, Chancellor, University of Texas System**



“UTA West represents a transformative investment in our community’s future. By aligning educational resources with the region’s economic needs, UTA is poised to play a pivotal role in shaping a skilled

workforce capable of meeting the demands of 21st-century industries.”

**—Robert Allen, President & CEO, Fort Worth Economic Development**



“UTA’s new campus in West Fort Worth is poised to elevate the DFW region, fostering a synergy between education and local industry that promises to spur economic and community development.

This strategic educational hub will cultivate a skilled workforce tailored to the dynamic needs of Fort Worth’s businesses, enhancing the city’s appeal for commercial investment through academic innovation.”

**—Michael D. Crain, City Council Member, District 3, Fort Worth**



“As the reach of the DFW metroplex continues westward, it only makes sense that UTA would do the same, choosing Parker County as its home for a new campus. Our local communities, including

Weatherford, Hudson Oaks, Willow Park, and Aledo, can only stand to benefit from having quality higher education in their backyard. I am pleased to welcome UTA to Parker County and look forward to making this partnership a success.”

**—Pat Deen, Judge, Parker County**



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"Weatherford College has been proudly educating area citizens for over 150 years. We eagerly welcome an enhanced partnership with our colleagues from UT Arlington. Our shared students will soon have expanded educational opportunities in undergraduate engineering programs as well as various master's and doctorate-level graduate programs."

—**Tod Allen Farmer, President, Weatherford College**



"UTA's new West Fort Worth campus will energize the DFW area with education, business, and workforce benefits for the economy and the community. UTA's tailored programs, co-designed with local industries, will produce skilled professionals for growing and established businesses. UTA's innovation and economic collaboration will make Fort Worth a hot spot for business investments, leveraging its academic excellence and cutting-edge research."

—**Craig Goldman, Representative, Texas House of Representatives, District 97**



"UTA's new campus in Parker County is a significant step toward enriching our local education and providing Parker County students with greater access to quality learning experiences. This initiative will empower the students to pursue academic excellence and professional aspirations within their own community while bolstering the county's exceptional educational landscape and future workforce."

—**Mike Hale, County Commissioner, Precinct 4, Parker County**



"UTA has served as the educational backbone of Fort Worth and UTA FW Center has been instrumental in supporting career-focused individuals in attaining their educational aspirations while also addressing the demands of the local labor market. The recent unveiling of UTA's new campus in west Fort Worth is a testament to the university's enduring dedication to both the city of Fort Worth and the prosperity of our expanding region."

—**Kelly Hancock, Senator, Texas Senate, District 9**



"UTA's decision to open a new campus in Parker County will further develop an already bustling part of the DFW metroplex. Of counties over 50,000 in population, Parker is the 11th fastest growing in America. Our students deserve more quality education options that can keep them close to home, while helping support the next generation of our local workforce. I look forward to this project come to fruition."

—**Phil King, Senator, Texas Senate, District 10**



"I could not be more excited that UTA is staying one step ahead of the phenomenal growth in Fort Worth. As a leading, well-respected Hispanic-Serving Institution, UTA has always shown a willingness to serve any student at any point within their educational journeys. With this expansion, students hailing from anywhere in our region will have access to a quality affordable educational experience. The possibilities for future Mavericks are truly limitless."

—**Anette Landeros, President, Fort Worth Hispanic Chamber of Commerce**



"UTA has—and continues to be—an economic force across Fort Worth and Tarrant County. Expanding its footprint to Parker County demonstrates an unequivocal commitment to developing invaluable skills

for students and jobs for our area. We are thrilled to work with UTA and its partners on this significant investment into the future of the region."

**—Steve Montgomery, President & CEO, Fort Worth Chamber**



"From downtown Fort Worth to Weatherford, UT Arlington is leading us toward a bright future. I applaud the UT System for having the foresight to see that an investment in this rapidly growing region is a sound one.

UTA represents a top-tier education partner coming to our community and will be a powerful economic partner with us in attracting and developing well-prepared talent that local companies need today and in the future."

**—Rosa Navejar, President, The Rios Group & Past Chair, Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce**



"For decades, UTA has been a proud partner of the city of Fort Worth. Established in 1986, the UTA Research Institute in east Fort Worth conducts \$16 million annually in innovative research that has real-world

impact for many of our businesses. And since 2007, the UTA Fort Worth Center in the heart of downtown has

helped working professionals reach their education goals while meeting workforce needs. UTA's new west Fort Worth campus is just the latest example of the University's commitment to Fort Worth and the success of our growing region."

**—Mattie Parker, Mayor, Fort Worth**



"UT Arlington's new campus in Parker County is an important development for the DFW metroplex. This move brings top-tier educational facilities closer to students and acts as a magnet for businesses, fueling

the growth of our local workforce and strengthening our regional economy. I am excited to see the long-term positive impact this will have on our community."

**—Roger Williams, Representative, U.S. House of Representatives, District 25**



"UTA has long played an integral role in Fort Worth, significantly aiding the growth of the region's varied businesses. Its expansion highlights a strong dedication to cultivating important skills for students and bolstering

local entrepreneurship. We look forward to working with UTA and its partners on this substantial investment in the future of Fort Worth's dynamic business landscape."

**—Michelle Green Ford, President & CEO, Fort Worth Metropolitan Black Chamber of Commerce**