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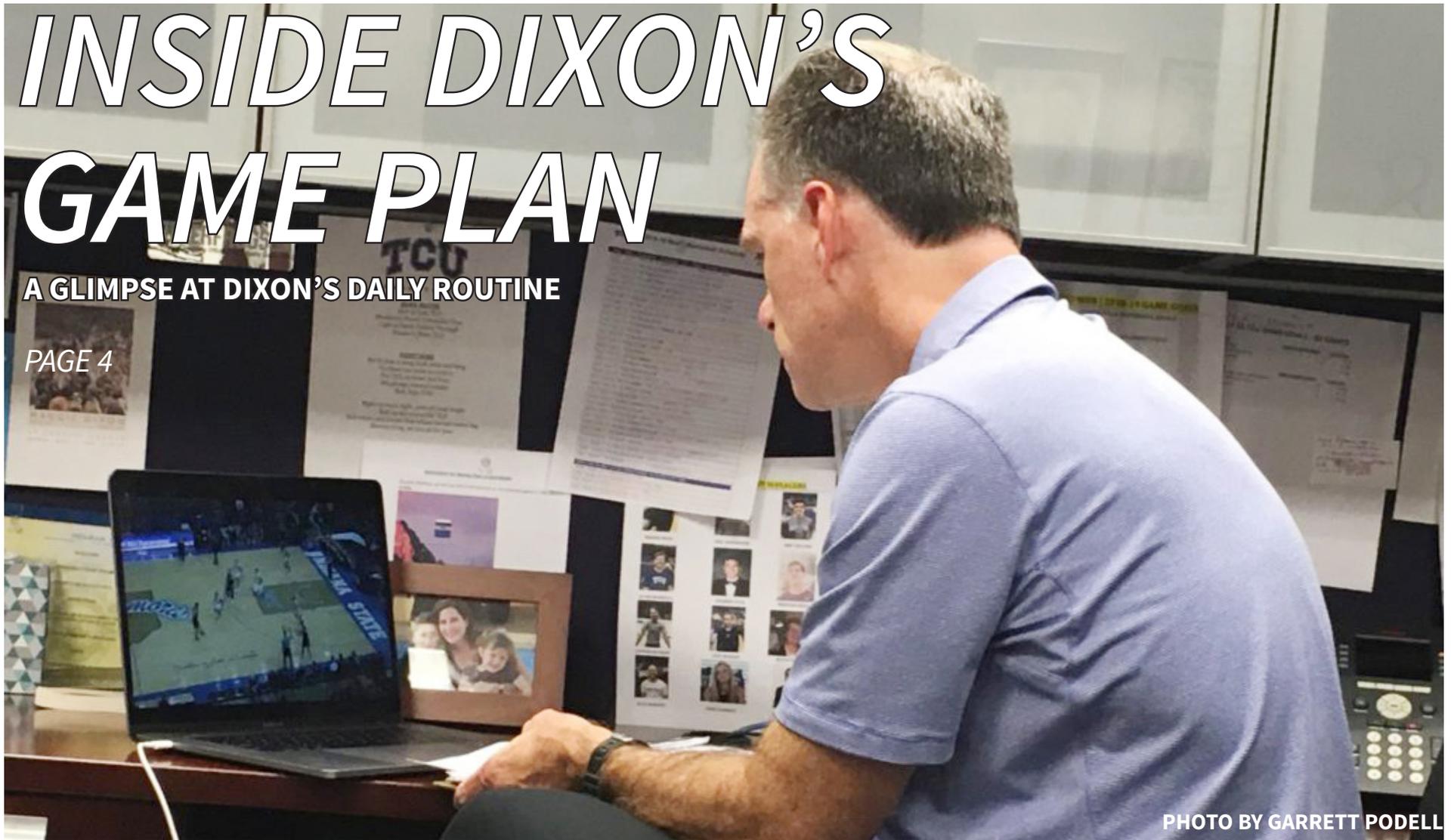


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CAMPUS NEWS

Admissions sees increase in quantity, quality

BY JACLYN FLYNN

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

The TCU Office of Admission is buzzing with activity as the Nov. 1 deadline brought in thousands of first-year student applications that counselors are hoping to finish reviewing within the next few days.

Last fall, TCU had a record number of applicants receiving over 20,000 applications for fall 2018, according to the statistics provided by the TCU fact book.

TCU Dean of Admission, Heath Einstein, said that as of right now, TCU is on par with the number of applicants seen last year but that it is unrealistic to expect a record number of applicants each year.

However, Einstein said that right now, TCU has a much higher number of completed applications. A student can submit his or her portion of the application, but it is not considered complete until the admission office has received every part of the application including transcripts, test scores and recommendations.

“We are about nine percent ahead in completed applications than before which means that the interest in TCU has intensified among students applying,” said Einstein. “We believe that we may be high on the students’ lists than we have ever been before.”

This year’s pool of applicants has seen noticeable differences compared to previous years and the university has climbed in national

rankings. Not only is the interest in TCU increasing, but the quality of applicants is as well, according to one admission counselor.

“Simply anecdotally, I have felt like the academic credentials of the applicants that I have reviewed have been noticeably stronger than either of my prior two years here at TCU,” said TCU Office of Admission Counselor, Michael Glynn. He claims that the personal essays have also been exceptionally good this year and that he has kept a running list of the best ones for future reference.

Einstein said that the increased interest in becoming a Horned Frog may be a result of their recruiting process over the last year, as well as some recent changes to the admission process.

Last year, TCU eliminated their early action round two application of Jan. 1. Einstein said this was due to three reasons: the first being the timing of the deadline. If applicants had last minute questions, they wouldn’t have any access to help due to both high school counseling offices and the TCU Office of Admission closing for the holidays.

Einstein also said that having that deadline was actually hindering the ability for TCU to increase their diversity. Historically, students coming from under-resourced communities apply later on in the process. He stated that TCU is slightly easier to get into earlier on in the admission process,

and front-loading the application process made it more difficult for those students to get in.

“Eliminating the deadline allowed those students to have another month to get all their stuff together, speak to their counselors, take a standardized exam and we think long term, it will help improve diversity on campus,” Einstein said.

The final reason he claimed for removing the deadline is to give the counselors a break. With 20 admission counselors reviewing around 20,000 applications, each person must review roughly 1,000 applications within a six-week period.

Glynn said that it typically takes him 10 to 20 minutes to review an application, depending on the applicant, but that he is definitely looking forward to giving his eyes a break. The counselors are given the option to work from home during the reading period, so that the hours upon hours of reading are done in a more comfortable atmosphere.

Each admission counselor’s role changes throughout the year depending on where they are in the admission process. A counselor’s main goal, Glynn said, is to be a resource for prospective students and to help them with any questions they may have about TCU. In the fall, they travel to about 45 different states as well as several different countries to recruit students.

“Through this travel, we’re hoping to connect with students that might be a good fit here on

our campus,” Glynn said. “As a result, we remember many of these students we meet and hopefully can speak to how we think they may contribute to our campus community.”

The travel portion for the admission staff is carefully calculated to recruit students from certain areas. Einstein said that they heavily rely on demographic projections to map out where they recruit.

He explained that, for example, the population of high school graduates is dropping, but it is not dropping evenly across the board.

As a result, TCU is increasing their recruiting efforts in the areas where they’re most likely to see graduating students. TCU has five regional recruiters, but one was recently added in Atlanta, Georgia to counteract the changing populations for high school graduates.

“Of course, we still and will always look broadly and by that, I mean globally,” Einstein said. “We have folks that travel internationally and were never going to stop doing that because we want to comb the globe to find the best students.”

The Board of Trustees set a cap for undergraduate admission at 9,500 students and as of right now, TCU has not met that goal. But one thing is for certain: due to the efforts of the Office of Admission, TCU is moving to be a both smarter and more diverse student body than ever before.



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TCU continues to OK standardized test scores for incoming students

BY MARISSA STACY
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At last count at least 1,000 colleges and universities no longer weigh SAT or ACT scores in their admissions process - but don't expect TCU to join the trend anytime soon.

Chancellor Victor Boschini said that TCU is competing with other universities that still accept the scores, such as Princeton and Dartmouth, so prospective students see TCU as academically challenging.

"People feel like they are getting the product they are paying for and so they think a lot of things that aren't true,"

said Boschini. "I feel like they'll feel like we are not academically excelling if we don't consider those scores."

The most recent incoming class had an average score of 1247 on the SAT and a score of 28 on the ACT. This is about the average that the four classes before it had received. The average of all past five classes is 1249 on the SAT and a 27.54 on the ACT.

Boschini said that he would get rid of the standardized test if he could. He believes it is much more important to look at the student holistically rather than as a score on a standardized test.

The admission staff

has not formally looked at eliminating the exams quite yet, but they continuously evaluate ways to improve the application process, said Heath Einstein, Dean of Admission.

"Designed to level the playing field between applicants who attend different high schools with varying curricula, the ACT and SAT provide some predictive value in how students might adjust academically to the rigors of a college education," said Einstein.

Einstein said that the predictive value does have limitations and that is why the scores are not the most critical factor in a student's admission.

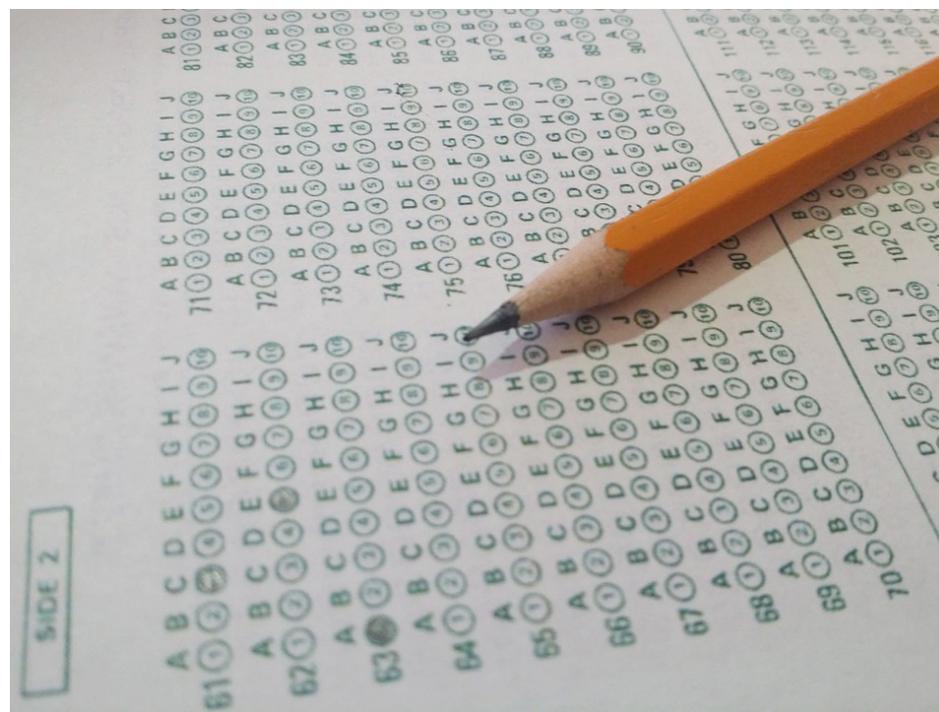


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Students still have to send in their SAT or ACT scores when applying to TCU.

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FEATURE

A Day with Dixon: All-access pass to TCU's head coach

BY GARRETT PODELL,
MANAGING EDITOR TCU 360

TCU head basketball coach Jamie Dixon strolls into the office at 8:15 a.m. on Dec. 13 wearing a black TCU sweatsuit. A light purple, almost blue polo with the Horned Frog logo is tucked in. Purple and black Nike's are on his feet.

Despite the casual look, his salt-and-pepper hair was the same as you would see it on any game day: not a hair out of place styled straight back.

He managed a slight grin as he walked in, knowing I was going to be shadowing him for the day.

"Hey Garrett, let's get started," he said as he unlocked his office just down the right side of the basketball office hall.

Even though his team's next game against Indiana State wasn't until Sunday, Dixon's work had already begun at his house, where he'd written a practice plan and worked on next season's non-conference schedule.

The Big 12's challenge with the Big East starts up next season, which would likely conflict with the Hall of Fame Classic at the Staples Center in Los Angeles in December. The game has treated TCU fondly over the last two years, winning a hard-fought contest against a ranked Nevada team and thrashing USC by 35 points. Instead, Dixon said next



PHOTO BY CRISTIAN ARGUETASOTO.

TCU basketball head coach gives the Frogs Up salute to the student section following the Horned Frogs' 98-67 victory over West Virginia.

season's non-conference tournament will be the MGM Resorts Main Event over Thanksgiving break.

Before coming into the office, he'd also watched the first half of Indiana State's last game.

"I don't have a room where you turn all the lights off to watch because I'll just watch it right here in my office on my laptop and at home," he said. "I have my spot at home just at the kitchen table. I have a little office area

in my office I can tuck myself away in when the kids have stuff going on, running around in the kitchen."

Hands-on

Dixon, in his third year as TCU's head basketball coach, is hands-on when it comes to game-planning, from watching film to keeping track of every little piece of information about his team.

As he soaks in the footage, Dixon flips through a three-ring binder to put one copy of

today's practice schedule into the organizer that's stuffed with a variety of different clippings, neatly sorted with laminated tabs. He keeps one for every season filled with practice schedules, events, box scores, notes and daily agendas.

Dixon's meticulous organization also means a file folder is kept for every opponent the Horned Frogs have played during his tenure. Each of his three assistant coaches study three Big 12 teams closely

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in order for Dixon to have a complete report when it comes time to play their conference rivals.

Commitment

As we are about to get up and walk over to the 10 a.m. staff meeting, our conversation shifts to coaches who have kept their job and kept their programs successful.

"It comes down to how committed you want to be, and that applies in a lot of different areas," Dixon said. "I think a big part of Kansas' success is their home-court advantage, we have to replicate something like that here. Obviously, we're sold-out, but we have to create that atmosphere on a consistent basis. Every game we need to fill every seat, but you're talking about 100 years. You talk about commitment; they hired the guy that invented the game. Obviously, they've had some challenges, but have gotten through them. That's commitment."

According to Dixon, commitment comes down to more than just dollars and cents, it's a culture.

A former Horned Frog basketball player himself, his mission statement is simple: give the school the best basketball program possible while exhausting all of the resources at his disposal.

"At certain schools, they've been successful no matter who the coach has been or who has been there, and it's just a certain thing," Dixon said. "It's not just based on money: there are certain things you can't buy. You have to make decisions every day on how you're going to do things as a coach and administration and student-athlete."

The commitment conversation continued with the rest of his staff during their daily morning meeting as talk shifted to making TCU a destination for transfer players with player movement in college basketball becoming



PHOTO BY GARRETT PODELL.

TCU head coach Jamie Dixon leads his staff through the daily 10 a.m. meeting.

more common than ever. At one point, he turned to me to ask if I knew of any one-year programs that TCU offered. Point guard Alex Robinson's one-year master's program in supply chain management comes up, but Dixon and his staff didn't know how likely it was to get players into the Neeley School of Business.

He then referenced how other schools like Purdue are able to recruit transfers like Dartmouth guard Evan Boudreaux by utilizing graduate programs like their weekend Master's of Science in Leadership and Innovation program, which is designed for people who work full-time jobs to be able to get a master's degree. The program consists of four semesters and meets for "three on-campus weekends" during each semester.

"It's going to come

down to all these schools that will be creating one-year master's programs," Dixon said, turning to me and saying dryly, "Those that are 'committed' as we talked about earlier. They'll come up with one-year programs to get guys in, those that are committed."

Dixon and the staff move on to discussing opportunities in the DFW area to watch recruits the staff was interested in. To close out the meeting, Dixon begins talking about points of emphasis for that afternoon's practice: guards coming to a jump-stop in the paint to prevent turnovers, something the staff still stresses at this point in the season, guards making a difference on the boards.

Back in his office going over some film before heading off to lunch, I asked Dixon how different it is coaching

today versus 10 years ago, and he immediately cites social media, which leads us to talk about the photo of himself at a TCU equestrian meet that circulates Twitter among fans.

"I was kind of disappointed they wouldn't let me do anything at the meet: they just told me to get on the horse. I thought I would be able to ride around, but they just wanted to take pictures," Dixon said. "I didn't grow up around horses, I was in Hollywood and the Bronx."

Had he not been a basketball player, perhaps baseball might have been in the cards with the constant exposure he received when in New York.

"I would play some pick-up hoops, but Little League baseball was the go-to," Dixon said. "I would try to play in the Little League in the area,

but they wouldn't let me play because I had to be a resident of the area, even though I was there in summer as much as anyone else who lived there year-round. If I had been able to play, who knows maybe I'm a baseball coach," he said with a chuckle.

Lunch with a dash of commitment

At about 11 a.m., we join the rest of his staff in the Moncrief Club in Amon G. Carter Stadium to eat a brunch spread complete with an omelet bar, muffins, toast, cereal, soup and salad.

Dixon discusses different programs and players around the country and some of his former Pittsburgh players who are professional players overseas.

However, he ate quickly and headed over to The Cheesecake Factory for a birthday lunch for a booster and Athletic Director Jeremiah Donati, the type of outing he said he tries to limit or avoid completely during the season. His reasoning for darting out before the team's scheduled 1:45 p.m. practice – "commitment," he said with a wink.

While he's out, assistants Scott Cross, Ryan Miller and Corey Barker all talked about their coaching career paths and how Dixon's program at TCU allows them to contribute a lot of their own ideas.

They said Dixon isn't above going with the best idea, no matter who suggested it. This is put in action at about 1:15 p.m., when Dixon returns to his office and Barker comes in to diagram the variations of a play called "Dribble" that Indiana State liked to run,

"It comes down to how committed you want to be"

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wanting to see how they were going to attack it. Dixon locked into every word Barker said and furiously took notes as Barker diagrammed the play on a whiteboard on the wall.

Practice

Before practice began, Robinson danced around the arc, shooting three-pointers while guard Desmond Bane did the same on another basket. Forward JD Miller was at one of the side goals practicing a variety of shots as the rest of the team trickled onto the practice court. Dixon's whistle pierced the air promptly at 1:45 p.m. and the team ran to the stations to begin drill work in their assigned groups. He walked the team through each drill before it began, each one beginning with a strong whistle.

During drills, he paced around the entire practice court, intently analyzing each group as the assistant coaches led the players through each drill, interjecting with words of encouragement in a calm and collected manner when he felt something needed to be corrected. Even water breaks happened at their prescribed time on the practice plan.

Halfway through practice, Jaylen Fisher sat out as he had his right calf worked on, an injury that dissipated before the team's 20-point win

over Indiana State the following Sunday, but a sign of what would come as the junior is now out for the season and is in the NCAA transfer portal after his knee swelled back up following the team's Diamond Head Classic victory in Hawaii.

The injury bug

After practice ended at 3:45 p.m., Dixon lamented how injuries have been a constant during his time at TCU, more noticeable than what he had observed during his 13 years at Pittsburgh. Three players who he thought were going to factor into the rotation—Fisher, Lat Mayen, who told Dixon he was "100 percent" on Jan. 14, and Angus McWilliam—sit out for significant stretches of time.

"I've never had three guys consistently out for a stretch for as long as they did, about six months, it's unheard of," he said.

Dixon also spoke about the importance of keeping guards like Robinson healthy.

"There's a timing element to them and sometimes it's the right injury since you can lose big guys and be okay," Dixon said. "When you lose guards, that's where you run into problems. You can always play smaller and be all right, but when you have to play bigger, moving small forwards to guards and shooting guards to point guards and centers to power forwards, that's when it can be difficult."

The day concluded with Dixon leaving to meet his son Jack for a work-out, and he turned to me and said, "Thanks for stopping by, that's what we've got here, hope you enjoyed it. See you



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Joseph Wilson cheering at a TCU volleyball game.



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Commander Joseph Wilson giving a speech to the fellow cadets.

ROTC's incoming commander; involved all across campus

BY CAROLINA OLIVARES
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TCU's Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) battalion commander does more than rally his troops, he also pumps up Horned Frog crowds.

CDT Lt. Col. Joseph Wilson, a senior criminal justice major, is the incoming ROTC commander and a member to TCU's cheer-leading squad.

Wilson said he had never cheered before

the fall of 2018. He said he tried out because cheering forces him to smile and be happy, something he doesn't show while training for the Army.

Wilson entered ROTC as a first-year student, who lived at home. He said he didn't have his license yet, so his mother woke up every morning at 5 to drive him 35 minutes to physical training on campus.

He said cheering allows him to be involved in the commu-

nity-at-large and he wants other cadets to get involved.

"Leadership is all about people and so if we're not helping out the community then that's not really leadership," Wilson said.

Passing the guidon Wilson assumed his latest role Thursday evening when ROTC held the 68th Horned Frog battalion change of command ceremony honoring the outgoing commander and welcoming the senior

incoming commander.

During the ceremony, there was a transfer of the guidon, which signified trust, as LTC Janine A. Robinson-Turner received it from outgoing Commander John Donoghue and passed it on to Wilson. The guidon embodies the group's accomplishments and honor.

He said his role as commander will allow him to influence future cadets.

"It's my one chance to leave a mark on this

program from the top down," Wilson said. "Hopefully, once I leave, you can build on that legacy and make one of your own," he told the other cadets.

Ronnie Cunningham, an assistant professor of military science, said he likes the idea of cadets doing more service. He said cadets don't always take the opportunity to volunteer; however, he's looking to change that by getting them involved more in outreach programs.

"I want to make sure we're taking care of the community that's taking care of us," Cunningham said.

Wilson also has a legacy he wants to continue: to fill the shoes of his older brother, a 2010 alumnus who was a battalion command.

POLITICS

Shutdown nears 30-day mark

BY ALEXA HINES

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

The fourth week of the government shutdown is coming to a close and there is still no solution in sight.

What exactly is a government shutdown?

According to the Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget, a government shutdown is when appropriation bills for the fiscal year are not passed. Every year, Congress has to pass a budget in the form of 12 bills, and the president has to approve. If that does not take

place, a shutdown occurs.

During a shutdown, federal agencies discontinue non-essential activity. In recent days, the administration has called some people back to work - still without pay.

What are necessary and non-essential functions?

While each federal agency has its own plan in case a shutdown should occur, most necessary functions are those related to public safety. For example, border protection, air traffic control and

law enforcement are still operating, though employees are working without pay. While it sounds like the public would not be impacted, the non-essential functions that would cease are food and environment inspections by the Environmental Protection Agency and the Food and Drug Administration, benefit verification for social security and Medicare, national park operation and the IRS activity.

Note: Some FDA workers, as well as 46,000 IRS workers,

have been called back.

How are federal employees affected?

Still, thousands of federal employees are furloughed, thus not allowed to work or receive pay. Historically, these employees have received back pay for the work they missed. Congress has passed legislation authorizing retroactive pay, but Trump has yet to sign it.

When else have government shutdowns occurred?

There have been six total government shutdowns since 1990.

Only three have affected operations for more than three days, two under President Bill Clinton in 1995 and 1996 and one under President Barack Obama in 2013. This is the longest the government has ever been shut down.

What are they fighting about?

The president and congressional leaders are at odds over funding the promised border wall. President Trump wants \$5.7 billion to help build a wall at the U.S.-Mexico border. The Democrats offered \$1.6 billion

for “border security,” not specifically a wall, which House Speaker Nancy Pelosi has called “immoral.”

In the past 27 days about 800,000 federal workers have been affected by the shutdown according to the New York Times. A typical federal worker has missed \$5,000 in pay so far.

Even without pay, many workers continue to show up for many reasons, including a ban on government workers striking and strong beliefs in what they do.



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A government shutdown is threatening President Trump and Congress as they try to reach an agreement.

Horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

for Thursday, Oct. 4, 2018

This year you present yourself as social and generally upbeat.

You always seem ready to have a talk or share information.

You naturally express your personality. If you are single, you find that whether you are conscious of it or not, you like being a free agent. Be honest about your likes and desires. If you are attached, you enjoy your significant other to no end. The two of you spend a lot of time together. LEO likes to party with you!

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Your temper seems to be close to the surface. You might have had some experience taming the anger within, which makes it less likely that you will explode. Be forgiving if someone starts acting out or simply becomes wild. Tonight: Off doing your thing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★ A domestic issue emerges that could put you deep into thought. Reverie might not be appropriate at work! Extremes seem to mark your day. Connect with others, and express your concerns. You are able to flourish once you get past a hassle. Tonight: Go with the moment.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ You have a way of expressing yourself and your needs. You might want to take a break from the immediate situation. Go off and take a walk, then share your thoughts openly. Tonight: Visit with a neighbor or close friend who has been knocking on your door.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ Build yourself up. Consider taking a class, or schedule more frequent gym visits. Be careful when dealing with a partner. Stay centered,

and do not allow yourself to be thrown off-kilter. A conversation helps you put together the big picture. Tonight: Choose a favorite stress-buster.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You beam and draw others toward you. As a result, your positive attitude goes far. Others tend to reveal much more when you are open with them. Watch a tendency to be excessive in your self-expression, no matter what you do! Listen to feedback. Tonight: Do what

you want.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ You could be dealing with more than your share of details and issues. You also have a lot of information to digest. You will have a new beginning if you decide to change certain patterns. Think deeply about a minor revision of a segment of your life. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Get down to basics when having a discussion. You cannot avoid a conversation for long -- and the sooner you have it, the better. Your anger is close to the surface. Try to avoid an eruption of fury. Be careful if you feel hot under the collar. Tonight: Follow your friends.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ You decide to have a long-overdue conversation with a higher-up. You could have difficulty getting a situation under control, especially as you might be harboring some undefined resentment or anger. Honor your differences. Tonight: Out and about, strutting your stuff.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ When trying to piece together a problematic situation,

Carpe Diem by Niklas Eriksson



Dustin by Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



Intelligent Life by David Reddick



detach and try to imagine what it is like to be in the other person's shoes. Identifying with others helps you come up with a reasonable solution for all parties involved. Tonight: Go see a movie with a loved one.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You are able to look

at a problem from a unique perspective. As a result of your unusual view, you see what others don't. In fact, a solution might not be needed, but rather understanding and empathy toward each other. Ask questions, if necessary. Tonight: Opt to be a team.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

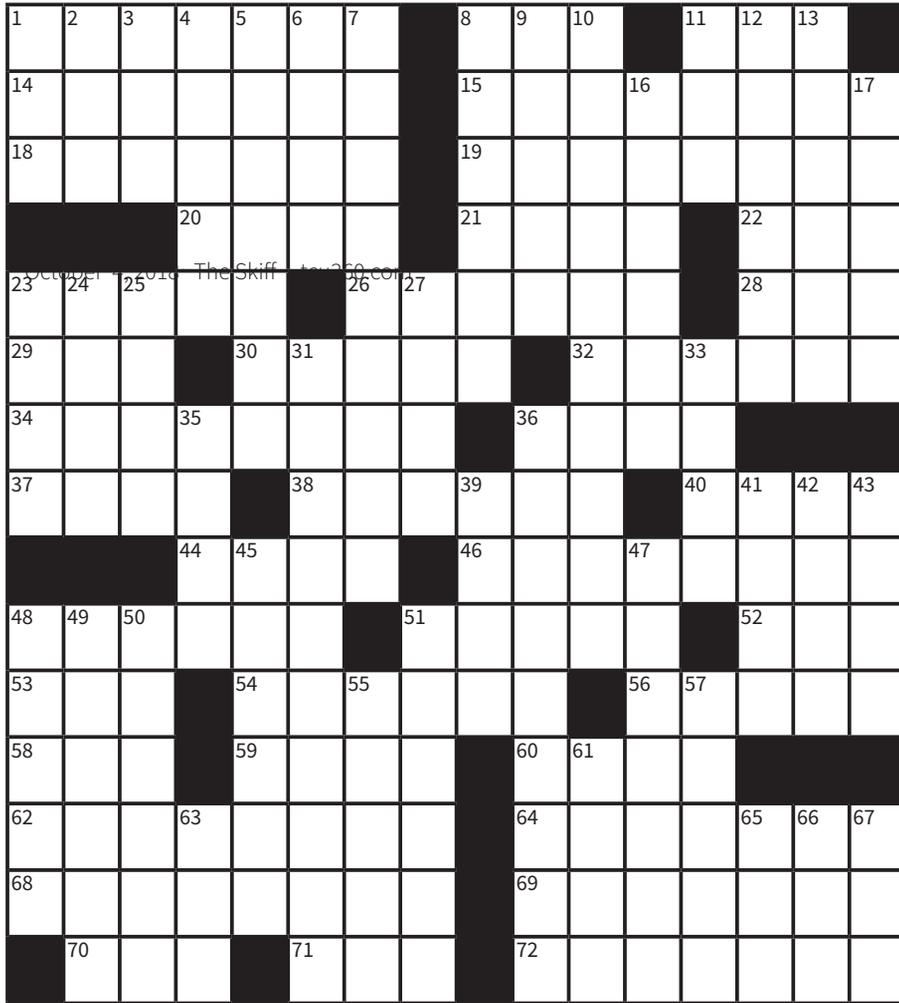
★★★★ Defer to others, and let them clearly express their agendas. You are unlikely to lose yourself if you allow another person to dominate for a while. You also might understand why you do not like being as passive as you are. Tonight: At a favorite spot with favorite people.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Deal with a work-related matter. Your schedule might be intense and very busy. You could wonder what way would be best to present a new idea. You might want to wait for now. Ask a close loved one if you are projecting negativity. Tonight: Know when to call it a night.

The New York Times

Edited by Will Shortz



PUZZLE BY GRANT THACKRAY

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SOLUTION FROM 9/27

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TCU Trivia

Study Abroad: There are seven TCU-In study abroad programs. **True or False?**

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TCU TRIVIA ANSWER

- 42 Sainted English historian
- 43 Roast
- 45 Doing grown-up things, in modern lingo
- 47 Endearingly awkward, in slang
- 48 Easily angered sort
- 49 Colored body part
- 50 Event that looks like its first letter?
- 51 Put in the trash
- 55 Lip-smacking
- 57 Bloom who wrote “The Closing of the American Mind”
- 61 Actress Falco
- 63 People whom it’s helpful to know
- 65 Black ___
- 66 Secretive org.
- 67 King Arthur’s foster brother

True! TCU has seven TCU-In programs.

Gary Patterson Foundation awards \$325,000 in grants to FW schools

BY GARRETT PODELL
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The Patterson impact on the city of Fort Worth has extended past the football field, as the Gary Patterson Foundation awarded \$325,000 in grants to 38 elementary schools within Fort Worth Independent School District.

The grant was funded to update their libraries and library collections.

It was the largest grant in the foundation's history and presented by Kelsey Patterson at Worth Heights Elementary, approximately three miles east of TCU's campus.

"It's really exciting that we were able to grant everything that they asked for, up to

\$10,000 per school, which is nice," said Patterson, a Fort Worth native and Western Hills High School graduate. "We wanted to give the librarians the ability to be creative, something that they want to do, but when the finances are going toward books or maintenance, we're hoping that they'll be able to do something they wouldn't normally be able to do with an ISD budget."

The grant opportunity was introduced in mid-September to any elementary school within the Fort Worth Independent School District, and included an application for up to \$10,000 per school for library updates. Those updates were offered

within the following categories:

- books & media (print, audio, e-books, magazines, video & online subscription resources)
- furniture & fixtures (furniture, shelving/display, specialized seating & work stations)
- technology & equipment (computers, mobile devices, production equipment, makerspace kits)
- general supplies (book tape, labels, shelf markers, bookmarks, maker space supplies, signage for library, promotional materials, paint & hardware)

The foundation partnered with the Education Foundation for Fort Worth Schools (EF4FW) to coordinate

the distribution of the grant funds.

While the Pattersons spend most of their time working with college students at TCU, they are aware of the significance of pouring into the younger generations.

"[Fort Worth ISD superintendent Dr. Kent Scribner] will say, from birth to third grade, you learn to read and then from third grade on, you read to learn," said Patterson. "If you don't have the basic building blocks of reading by third grade, you're missing out on math and science and all the other things."

Worth Heights Elementary, the site of the check presentation, will use the funding to increase their English and Spanish collections



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Kelsey Patterson (far left) presents a \$325,000 check on behalf of the Gary Patterson Foundation to Fort Worth ISD for 38 elementary schools.

utilized for their dual-language classes as well as updating their S.T.E.M book offerings and biographies in their library.

"The funding will give the students up-to-date information, which is what they deserve," said Kathleen Hickey, the Worth Heights school librarian. "They will have more resources to

support their learning when it comes to research, and hopefully books they will enjoy reading which will support their love for reading which will translate into their ability to read."

The grant opportunity will be available again in spring 2019 to schools who did not receive a fall 2018 grant.

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