An Invitation from President Dr. Clark Harris

Thank you for your consideration of support for NOC’s Presidential Partners Program.

I am deeply honored to be part of the NOC family. Faculty, staff and students at our three locations and the many members of our communities that I have met have been incredibly welcoming and have shared their passion for the success for Northern Oklahoma College. YOU are what make up the NOC family, including the alumni with great success stories and donors that have been touched as they see how their contributions change lives.

Northern Oklahoma College provides life changing experiences for our students through the Presidential Leadership Class, campus clubs and organizations, and through student activities that help our students grow as leaders. Your support of the Presidential Partners Program supports these efforts as well as provides professional development opportunities for faculty and staff, unique campus activities, and enhances recruitment and promotion of the college. We want to be able to continue these activities as they are what make our college special, one of the top community colleges in the nation. The Presidential Partners Program is vital to enhancing the college mission.

Our students that become actively involved on campus today and become campus leaders will be the leaders of our communities in the near future. The impact of your investment in the Presidential Partners Program will be seen in our college and our communities for years to come. Your investment in the Presidential Partners Program is an investment in OUR future.

Sincerely,

Clark Harris, Ph. D.
President, Northern Oklahoma College

Why should I join?

Presidential Partners provide the resources that create opportunities for individuals and groups to be involved in activities that enhance their classroom learning beyond their everyday activities.
Presidential Partners provide the resources to create opportunities for individuals and groups to be involved in activities that enhance their classroom and work environment beyond their everyday experiences. In 2020-2021, Presidential Partners Program awarded nearly $70,000 to support the NOC campuses, NOC students and NOC employees during the ever changing environment that was created during the COVID-19 pandemic. Below are some highlights of how the program was utilized during the last academic year:

- **President’s Leadership Council (PLC)** — Provided funds to President’s Leadership programs at Tonkawa, Enid and Stillwater to support activities as well as promotional items for PLC scholarship students during the 2020-2021 academic year.

- **NOC Employees** — Provided funds at Tonkawa, Enid and Stillwater to support employee professional development opportunities and enhancements, and NOC employee Christmas gifts during 2020-2021 academic year.

- **NOC Institution** — Fully funded four new defibrillators installed in the Renfro Center and Kinzer Performing Arts Center at NOC Tonkawa, the Gantz Center at NOC Enid and the NOC Classroom Building at NOC Stillwater.

- **Nursing** — Provided funding for new lab coats for all nursing faculty and a training defibrillator to be used by the Nursing Program.

- **Language Arts** — Provided funds for honors composition students to work with online-learning students during the COVID-19 Pandemic. This project, which focused on gratitude, consisted of writing letters to individuals saying what they are grateful for, reading books, and creating a book of their own.

- **NOC Alumni Relations** — Virtual Spirit Week was sponsored by NOC Alumni Relations during the week leading up to graduation. Special events were held on NOC social media to highlight past alums and new alums. During the week, graduates were encouraged to post how NOC was life changing for them.

- **NOC Recruiting and Retention Mini Grants** — New for the 2020-2021 year, NOC employees were asked to submit grants as a way to boost recruiting and retention efforts. The grant committee selected twenty-three proposals to award $25,000 that was earmarked for this program. Some examples of these grants were updating institution, campus and division recruiting totes, an NOC podcast series, #NOCSocialMedia - student run social media platforms, and expansion of the faces of NOC campaign.