

**Career Schools and Colleges Chapter 807 Rules Waiver
Discussion Paper**

Background

Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) Chapter 807 Career Schools and Colleges (CSC) rule §807.4(a)(1)-(3) states that upon demonstration of extreme extenuating circumstances, a school governed by Chapter 807 may request a waiver from one or more requirements detailed in the chapter. TWC may grant a waiver only upon a specific finding of good cause establishing the following circumstances:

- Imposing the rule requirement from which the waiver is sought will cause the school undue economic hardship and negatively impact the school's ability to provide its students with the skills and knowledge required for employment;
- Granting the waiver will not diminish or sacrifice the quality of education; and
- Granting the waiver will not limit the statutorily required application approval criteria described in Texas Education Code (TEC) §132.055.

Issue

CSC staff received a request from the Training Center of Central Texas to waive §807.14(b)(2), which states the following:

§807.14. Locations.

- (b) The Agency may approve the following as exempt from applying for approval for a new or additional location, if requested at least 30 days in advance:

(2) classes at facilities used for additional classrooms for instructional services only, which are within a one-mile radius of the main campus and are dependent on the main campus for administration, supervision, fiscal control, and student services.

The Training Center of Central Texas has requested that TWC waive the rule, enabling them to add an additional training facility approximately 1.9 miles from their main campus. The waiver will allow the Training Center of Central Texas to add the training area without an additional certificate of approval. Upon reviewing the waiver request, TWC determined that the school meets the conditions and requirements listed in §807.4.

Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of the Training Center of Central Texas' request to waive §807.14(b)(2).