

# 1. SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Virtual Campus

School of Education

# 2. Wayland Baptist University Mission Statement:

Wayland Baptist University exists to educate students in an academically challenging, learning-focused and distinctively Christian environment for professional success and service to God and humankind.

# 3**. Course Prefix, Number, & Name:**

EDAD 5337 – Application of Administrative Concepts

# 4. Term and Year:

Spring I Session – January 11, 2021 through March 6, 2021

# 5. Full Name of Instructor:

Instructor: Dr. Tim Powers, Associate Professor of Education

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# 7. Office Hours, Building, and Location:

Office Hours: By Appointment

Building: WBU – Lubbock, Texas

801 North Quaker

# 8. Class Meeting Time and Location:

This is an online virtual class. The expectation is that you are to check the Blackboard daily, for information regarding assignments. In addition, it is important that you check your email daily for announcements and/or requests from the professor.

# 9. Catalog Description:

The use of administrative concepts in the solution of problems in a simulated school; assessment of student ability to apply knowledge min the solution of practical problems; time management techniques for administrators; conflict management strategies; and school a d principal effectiveness. This is the capstone course and is taken immediately prior to the internship course.

# 10 Prerequisite:

Prerequisite: admission to professional education program and **24 hours of course work**.

# 11. Required Textbooks and Resources:

**Book:** The Principal as the Instructional Leader: A guide to Instructional Success for principal candidates and entry-level principals

**Author:** Timothy M. Powers

**Edition:** First

**Copyright:** 2020

**Publisher:** Kindle Direct Publishing – Self-Published

**Book Type:** Paperback

**ISBN:** 97986994172714

**Book:** Passing the Principal TExES Exam

**Author:** Wilmore, Elaine

**Edition:** 3rd

**Copyright:** 2019

**Publisher:** Corwin

**Book Type:** Paperback

**ISBN:** 9781452286013

*Note: VitalSource etextbooks.*

For student access:

1. Every Course in Blackboard has a link to eTextbook [Vital Source] embedded in the course menu, with basic instructions.
2. I encourage you to use this textbook.  Printed copies will NOT be available through our bookstore.  Students can purchase via Amazon or similar vendor but the cost is usually substantially more expensive.
3. Student will “register” to access your library.
4. You will be able to read and interact with your textbook from that location.

Other books/periodical resources as identified by the class professor during class.

Access to WBU Learning Resources

# 12. Optional Materials:

Additional course assignments and material will be available on the Blackboard site for this course. Students should have access to and the ability to use this material for each class session. Course announcements, if needed, will be posted on the Blackboard site for this course.

# 13. Course Outcome Competencies:

## DOMAIN I—SCHOOL CULTURE (School and Community Leadership)

**Competency 001: The entry-level principal knows how to establish and implement a shared vision and culture of high expectations for all stakeholders (students, staff, parents, and community).**

1. Creates a positive, collaborative, and collegial campus culture that sets high expectations and facilitates the implementation and achievement of campus initiatives and goals
2. Uses emerging issues, recent research, knowledge of systems (e.g., school improvement process, strategic planning, etc.), and various types of data (e.g., demographic, perceptive, student learning, and processes) to collaboratively develop a shared campus vision and a plan for implementing the vision
3. Facilitates the collaborative development of a plan that clearly articulates objectives and strategies for implementing a campus vision
4. Aligns financial, human, and material resources to support implementation of a campus vision and mission
5. Establishes procedures to assess and modify implementation plans to promote achievement of the campus vision
6. Models and promotes the continuous and appropriate development of all stakeholders in the school community, to shape the campus culture
7. Establishes and communicates consistent expectations for all stakeholders, providing supportive feedback to promote a positive campus environment
8. Implements effective strategies to systematically gather input from all campus stakeholders, supporting innovative thinking and an inclusive culture
9. Creates an atmosphere of safety that encourages the social, emotional, and physical well-being of staff and students
10. Facilitates the implementation of research-based theories and techniques to promote a campus environment and culture that is conducive to effective teaching and learning and supports organizational health and morale

**Competency 002: The entry-level principal knows how to work with stakeholders as key partners to support student learning.**

1. Acknowledges, recognizes, and celebrates the contributions of all stakeholders toward the realization of the campus vision
2. Implements strategies to ensure the development of collegial relationships and effective collaboration
3. Uses consensus-building, conflict-management, communication, and information-gathering strategies to involve various stakeholders in planning processes that enable the collaborative development of a shared campus vision and mission focused on teaching and learning
4. Ensures that parents and other members of the community are an integral part of the campus culture

## DOMAIN II—LEADING LEARNING (Instructional Leadership/Teaching and Learning)

**Competency 003: The entry-level principal knows how to collaboratively develop and implement high-quality instruction.**

1. Prioritizes instruction and student achievement by understanding, sharing, and promoting a clear definition of high-quality instruction based on best practices from recent research
2. Facilitates the use of sound, research-based practice in the development, implementation, coordination, and evaluation of campus curricular, cocurricular, and extracurricular programs to fulfill academic, development, social, and cultural needs
3. Facilitates campus participation in collaborative district planning, implementation, monitoring, and revision of the curriculum to ensure appropriate scope, sequence, content, and alignment
4. Implements a rigorous curriculum that is aligned with state standards, including college and career-readiness standards
5. Facilitates the use and integration of technology, telecommunications, and information systems to enhance learning

**Competency 004: The entry-level principal knows how to monitor and assess classroom instruction to promote teacher effectiveness and student achievement.**

1. Monitors instruction routinely by visiting classrooms, observing instruction, and attending grade-level, department, or team meetings to provide evidence-based feedback to improve instruction
2. Analyzes the curriculum collaboratively to guide teachers in aligning content across grades and ensures that curricular scopes and sequences meet the particular needs of their diverse student populations (considering sociological, linguistic, cultural, and other factors)
3. Monitors and ensures staff use of multiple forms of student data to inform instruction and intervention decisions that maximizes instructional effectiveness and student achievement
4. Promotes instruction that supports the growth of individual students and student groups, supports equity, and works to reduce the achievement gap
5. Supports staff in developing the capacity and time to collaboratively and individually use classroom formative and summative assessment data to inform effective instructional practices and interventions

## DOMAIN III—HUMAN CAPITAL (Human Resource Management)

**Competency 005: The entry-level principal knows how to provide feedback, coaching, and professional development to staff through evaluation and supervision, knows how to reflect on his/her own practice, and strives to grow professionally.**

1. Communicates expectations to staff and uses multiple data points (e.g., regular observations, walk-throughs, teacher and student data, and other sources) to complete evidence-based evaluations of all staff
2. Coaches and develops teachers by facilitating teacher self-assessment and goal setting, conducting conferences, giving individualized feedback, and supporting individualized professional growth opportunities
3. Collaborates to develop, implement, and revise a comprehensive and ongoing plan for the professional development of campus staff that addresses staff needs based on staff appraisal trends, goals, and student information/data
4. Facilitates a continuum of effective professional development activities that includes appropriate content, process, context, allocation of time, funding, and other needed resources
5. Engages in ongoing and meaningful professional growth activities, reflects on his or her practice, seeks and acts on feedback, and strives to continually improve, learn, and grow
6. Seeks assistance (e.g., mentor, central office) to ensure effective and reflective decision making and works collaboratively with campus and district leadership

**Competency 006: The entry-level principal knows how to promote high-quality teaching by using selection, placement, and retention practices to promote teacher excellence and growth.**

1. Invests and manages time to prioritize the development, support, and supervision of the staff to maximize student outcomes
2. Facilitates collaborative structures that support professional learning communities in reviewing data, processes, and policies in order to improve teaching and learning in the school
3. Creates leadership opportunities, defines roles, and delegates responsibilities to effective staff and administrators to support campus goal attainment
4. Implements effective, appropriate, and legal strategies for the recruitment, screening, hiring, assignment, induction, development, evaluation, promotion, retention, discipline, and dismissal of campus staff

## DOMAIN IV—EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP (Communication and Organizational Management)

**Competency 007: The entry-level principal knows how to develop relationships with internal and external stakeholders, including selecting appropriate communication strategies for particular audiences.**

1. Understands how to effectively communicate a message in different ways to meet the needs of various audiences
2. Develops and implements strategies for systematically communicating internally and externally
3. Develops and implements a comprehensive program of community relations that uses strategies that effectively involve and inform multiple constituencies
4. Establishes partnerships with parents, businesses, and other groups in the community to strengthen programs and support campus goals

**Competency 008: The entry-level principal knows how to focus on improving student outcomes through organizational collaboration, resiliency, and change management.**

1. Demonstrates awareness of social and economic issues that exist within the school and community that affect campus operations and student learning
2. Gathers and organizes information from a variety of sources to facilitate creative thinking, critical thinking, and problem solving to guide effective campus decision making
3. Frames, analyzes, and creatively resolves campus problems using effective problem-solving techniques to make timely, high-quality decisions
4. Develops, implements, and evaluates systems and processes for organizational effectiveness to keep staff inspired and focused on the campus vision
5. Uses effective planning, time management, and organization of work to support attainment of school district and campus goals

## DOMAIN V—STRATEGIC OPERATIONS (Alignment and Resource Allocation)

**Competency 009: The entry-level principal knows how to collaboratively determine goals and implement strategies aligned with the school vision that support teacher effectiveness and positive student outcomes.**

1. Assesses the current needs of the campus, analyzing a wide set of evidence to determine campus objectives, and sets measurable school goals, targets, and strategies that form the school’s strategic plans **(Not taught in this course)**
2. Establishes structures that outline and track the progress using multiple data points and makes adjustments as needed to improve teacher effectiveness and student outcomes **(Not taught in this course)**
3. Allocates resources effectively (e.g., staff time, master schedule, dollars, and tools), aligning them with school objectives and goals, and works to access additional resources as needed to support learning **(Not taught in this course)**
4. Implements appropriate management techniques and group processes to define roles, assign functions, delegate authority, and determine accountability for campus goal attainment

**Competency 010: The entry-level principal knows how to provide administrative leadership through resource management, policy implementation, and coordination of school operations and programs to ensure a safe learning environment.**

1. Implements strategies that enable the physical plant, equipment, and support systems to operate safely, efficiently, and effectively to maintain a conducive learning environment **(Not taught in this course)**
2. Applies strategies for ensuring the safety of students and personnel and for addressing emergencies and security concerns, including developing and implementing a crisis plan **(Not taught in this course)**
3. Applies local, state, and federal laws and policies to support sound decisions while considering implications related to all school operations and programs (e.g., student services, food services, health services, and transportation) **(Not taught in this course)**
4. Collaboratively plans and effectively manages the campus budget within state law and district policies to promote sound financial management in relation to accounts, bidding, purchasing, and grants
5. Uses technology to enhance school management (e.g., attendance systems, teacher grade books, shared drives, and messaging systems)
6. Facilitates the effective coordination of campus curricular, cocurricular, and extracurricular programs in relation to other school district programs to fulfill the academic, developmental, social, and cultural needs of students **(Not taught in this course)**
7. Collaborates with district staff to ensure the understanding and implementation of district policies and advocates for the needs of students and staff **(Not taught in this course)**
8. Implements strategies for student discipline and attendance in a manner that ensures student safety, consistency, and equity and that legal requirements are met (e.g., due process, SPED requirements) **(Not taught in this course)**

## DOMAIN VI—ETHICS, EQUITY, AND DIVERSITY

**Competency 011: The entry-level principal knows how to provide ethical leadership by advocating for children and ensuring student access to effective educators, programs, and services.**

1. Implements policies and procedures that require all campus personnel to comply with the Educators' Code of Ethics (TAC Chapter 247) **(Not taught in this course)**
2. Models and promotes the highest standard of conduct, ethical principles, and integrity in decision making, actions, and behaviors **(Not taught in this course)**
3. Advocates for all children by promoting the continuous and appropriate development of all learners in the campus community **(Not taught in this course)**
4. Implements strategies to ensure that all students have access to effective educators and continuous opportunities to learn **(Not taught in this course)**
5. Promotes awareness and appreciation of diversity throughout the campus community (e.g., learning differences, multicultural awareness, gender sensitivity, and ethnic appreciation) **(Not taught in this course)**
6. Facilitates and supports special campus programs that provide all students with quality, flexible instructional programs and services (e.g., health, guidance, and counseling programs) to meet individual student needs **(Not taught in this course)**
7. Applies legal guidelines (e.g., in relation to students with disabilities, bilingual education, confidentiality, and discrimination) to protect the rights of students and staff and to improve learning opportunities **(Not taught in this course)**

H. Articulates the importance of education in a free, democratic society **(Not taught in this course)**

# 14. Attendance Requirements:

As stated in the Wayland Catalog, students enrolled at one of the University’s external campuses should make every effort to attend all class meetings. All absences must be explained to the instructor, who will then determine whether the omitted work may be made up. When a student reaches that number of absences considered by the instructor to be excessive, the instructor will so advise the student and file an unsatisfactory progress report with the campus executive director. Any student who misses 25 percent or more of the regularly scheduled class meetings may receive a grade of F in the course. Additional attendance policies for each course, as defined by the instructor in the course syllabus, are considered a part of the University’s attendance policy.

# 15. Statement on Plagiarism and Academic Dishonesty:

Wayland Baptist University observes a zero tolerance policy regarding academic dishonesty. Per university policy as described in the academic catalog, all cases of academic dishonesty will be reported and second offenses will result in suspension from the university.

# 16. Disability Statement:

“In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), it is the policy of Wayland Baptist University that no otherwise qualified person with a disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under any educational program or activity in the university. The Coordinator of Counseling Services serves as the coordinator of students with a disability and should be contacted concerning accommodation requests at (806) 291- 3765. Documentation of a disability must accompany any request for accommodations.”

# 17. Course Requirements and Grading Criteria:

## First Wednesday Assignment:

You will have a brief assignment that we use to verify your attendance. Please complete this by the time listed on the assignment.

## Student Information Sheet:

You will find this form under “Course Content” in Blackboard™. Please compete and return this to me via **Blackboard** by noon on the first Saturday.

## Passing the TExES Exam Assignments:

Students will read pages assigned and complete the assignments for submission.

## Constructed Response Assignments:

Constructed Response questions are a new part of the 268 TExES Principal Exam. For this course, you will be assigned three Constructed Response questions from the 268 Principal Preparation Manual.

## The Principal as the Instructional Leader Assignments:

Students will read the pages assigned in the syllabus listed below and complete the questions related to each week’s assigned reading. Assignments are due by noon each Saturday according to the schedule listed below.

## Final Exam:

Students will complete a final examination of the course material. The exam will be spiraled and comprehensive, based on the material that has been administered throughout the student’s coursework. The final exam will be available to you online on any computer that has an internet connection, at an online website that will be open to you on Blackboard on the date listed in the schedule below. The cost for the 268 TExES Principal Practice Exam is $10.00. You will pay by credit card once you enroll to take the practice exam.

The purpose of the final exam is for the student to demonstrate proficiency of the competencies and learning objectives outlined in this syllabus. The final exam will count as the **practice test** administered by Wayland prior to being given permission to take the official TExES 268 Principal exam. If you pass (80% or above) your final exam for this course (268 Principal TExES Online Practice Exam) on the first attempt, you move up one letter grade if you are below 90. If you FAIL (79% or below) your final exam on the first attempt, you drop one letter grade. **Once you take the practice exam online within the dates listed below, be sure to submit a copy of the screen shots of the results at the designated place on Blackboard to verify your score for the exam and class.** If you fail to send a copy of the screen shots of your results within the dates listed below, then you automatically drop one letter grade, regardless of the score you make. If you fail to turn in your scores by the end of the term, you will receive an incomplete for the course until the score is reported as described above.

**NOTE:** Students must *pass* the online practice exam (80% or above) and *attempt the state exam* at least once **prior to enrolling in EDAD 5348 – Principal Intern 1.** It is important that students study in this course with the intention of passing the practice exam AND the state exam.

If you do not make an 80% or above on the online practice exam, you will be sent a Study Log and required to complete **50** additional hours of study on Certify Teacher prior to retaking the online practice exam for which you will have to pay an additional $10.00. Once you have sent in the Study Log with 50 hours of study, you will be given permission to retake the online practice exam.

## Collaborate Session:

I have pre-recorded a collaborate session to go over the course requirements and expectations in detail and to give you an opportunity to ask questions using an open forum discussion on the discussion board in Blackboard, to answer any questions I did not cover in the collaborate session. A link has been added to the Blackboard “CONTENT” tab for you to watch and listen to at your convenience. Once you have viewed the pre-recorded session, you will need to complete and sign the form and submit under the appropriate portal in Blackboard, to receive credit.

## Course Requirements:

Evidence of the ability to express your knowledge of educational concepts and theories within the conventions of academic discourse will be assessed through both oral presentations and written assignments. Written work in this course must be word processed and prepared according to APA style.

The student will attend class well prepared, having read all assigned materials, participate in class discussions and activities and will act in a professional manner.

## Grading Criteria:

Grades for courses shall be recorded by the symbols below:

A 90-100 Cr for Credit

B 80-89 NCR No Credit

C 70-79 I Incomplete\*

D 60-69 W for withdrawal

F 59 & below WP Withdrawal Passing

WF Withdrawal Failing

X No grade given

IP In Progress

A grade of “CR” indicates that credit in semester hours was granted but no grade or grade points were recorded.

\*A grade of incomplete is changed if the work required is completed prior to the date indicated in the official University calendar of the next long term, unless the instructor designates an earlier date for completion. If the work is not completed by the appropriate date, the “I” is converted to the grade of “F.” An incomplete notation cannot remain on the student’s permanent record and must be replaced by the qualitative grade (A-F) by the date specified in the official University calendar of the next regular term.

Students shall have protection through orderly procedures against prejudices or capricious academic evaluation. A student who believes that he or she has not been held to realistic academic standards, just evaluation procedures, or appropriate grading, may appeal the final grade given in the course by using the student grade appeal process described in the Academic Catalog.

Appeals may not be made for advanced placement examinations or course bypass examinations. Appeals are limited to the final course grade, which may be upheld, raised, or lowered at any stage of the appeal process. Any recommendation to lower a course grade must be submitted through the Executive Vice President/Provost to the Faculty Assembly Grade Appeals Committee for review and approval. The Faculty Assembly Grade Appeals Committee may instruct that the course grade be upheld, raised, or lowered to a more proper evaluation.

# 18. Tentative Schedule:

*The course professor reserves the right to amend this tentative calendar at any time.*

**TE** = TExES Exam: Keys to Certification and School Leadership by Elaine L. Wilmore

**PLL** = Principal as the Learning Leader

**CRA** = Constructed Responses Assignment

| **Check Blackboard** | **Assignment Due** | **Assignments** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| January 11 | January 16th  (short week)  There assignment is due **WED.** | Attendance Assignment – Due **Wed**.  TE Assignment 1: – Chapters 1-3  PLL Assignment 1: Intro thru Chapter 2  Student Information Sheet  Collaborate Session Submission |
| January 16th | January 23rd | TE Assignment 2: Chapter 4  PLL Assignment 2: – Domain II thru Chapter 4  CRA 1 due |
| January 23rd | January 30th | TE Assignment 3: Chapters 5-7  PLL Assignment 3: Domain III thru Chapter 6 |
| January 30th | February 6th | TE Assignment 4: Chapters 8-9  PLL Assignment 4: Domain 4 thru Chapter 8  CRA 2 due |
| February 6th | February 13th | TE Assignment 5: Chapters 10-11  PLL Assignment 5: Domain V thru Chapter 11 |
| February 13th | February 20th | TE Assignment 6: Chapters 12-13  PLL Assignment 6: Part II (Intro), Chapter 14  CRA 3 due |
| February 20th | February 27th | TE Assignment 7: Chapters 14-15  PLL Assignment 7: part III |
| February 27th | March 4th (Thursday) | **Final Exam to be Completed\*** |
| **\***The 268 TExES Principal practice exam (your final exam) will be administered online at the website listed on Blackboard. **Test information will be available Saturday, February 27th. Make sure you follow the instructions for the online practice exam. The exam needs to be completed and results must be submitted on Blackboard by Thursday, March 4, at noon.** | | |

# 19. Assignments:

| **Student Task** | **Points/Percent** |
| --- | --- |
| First Wednesday Attendance Verification Assignment | 2 |
| Student Information Sheet | 2 |
| View Collaborate Session | 3 |
| Passing the Principal TExES Exam Assignments | 28 |
| Principal as the Learning Leader | 28 |
| Constructed Response Assignments | 12 |
| Final Exam (Practice Exam – Must make 80%) | 25 |
| **TOTAL PERCENTAGE POINTS** | 100 |

## May God bless each of you!