

## Strategic Affiliation Monthly Newsletter

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### FHSU Expands the Gateway Partnership

A new program that expands on FHSU's Gateway Program offers Fort Hays Tech | North Central and Fort Hays Tech | Northwest students access to FHSU events, programs, and services while they complete their program of study at their tech college. The Gateway Program has been offered for several years, providing housing and student resources to students of Fort Hays Tech | North Center, Hays campus.

"Students love having the opportunity to utilize our student health center, attend athletic events free of charge, counseling services, student organization opportunities, and fitness center to name a few," said Joey Linn, FHSU Vice President for Student Affairs. "Now that we are affiliated with both Fort Hays Tech | North Central, and Fort Hays | Northwest, we have expanded the opportunities to all students at each location.

In addition to helping ensure that students from the technical colleges feel fully welcome at FHSU, the program expansion avoids the duplication of services at the affiliate campuses.

"Ultimately, this program provides added value to students who want to take advantage of services and or housing possibly not offered on their respective campus," Linn said.

"The expansion of the Gateway Partnership is another excellent example of collaboration among the three affiliate partners," FHSU President Tisa Mason stated. "Even more importantly, it's evidence of the Affiliation initiative's focus on improving the experience of our students in and outside of the classroom."



Starting in the fall of 2026, students in Beloit and Goodland, as well as Hays, will enjoy an unprecedented level of access to FHSU resources, including:

- On-campus housing options at FHSU
- Academic Advising and Career Exploration guidance
- Mental and physical healthcare services at the Student Health Center
- Tebo Library resources
- Free access to regular-season FHSU Tiger athletic events
- Student Engagement opportunities, including student government, fraternity and sorority life, organizational leadership, and community engagement and service.
- Several on-campus dining options
- Intramural sports and the Tiger Fitness and Aquatic Centers
- Tiger Tots preschool and childcare center for children ages two-and-a-half to six