Amendment No. 2

to the
MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT
for the
Texas A&M Engineering Academy at Blinn College

This Amendment No. 2 modifies that certain original Memorandum of Agreement ("Agreement") effective as of April 1, 2015, and as amended by Amendment No. 1 dated July 28, 2016, between the Texas A&M University-College Station ("TAMU-CS"), and its College of Engineering ("CoE"), having a place of business at 3126 Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 77843-3126, and Blinn College District, having a place of business at 902 College Avenue, Brenham, TX 77833 and additional campuses at 2423 Blinn Blvd., P.O. Box 6030, Bryan, TX 77805 and 1366 Bryan Road, Bryan, TX 77807, hereinafter referred to as "Blinn" in unison and Blinn-Brenham and Blinn-Bryan when specifically differentiated by campus locations, each of the aforementioned being referred to individually as the "Party" or collectively as the "Parties".

The Parties hereto have severally and collectively agreed and by the execution hereof are bound to the mutual obligations and to the performances expressed in the original Agreement, Amendment No. 1 and subject to this Amendment No. 2.

1. Section 2 on page 1 of the Agreement is hereby amended as follows:

Delete the reference to “Karan L. Watson, Ph.D., P.E.” and replace with “Dr. Carol A. Fierke”.

Delete the reference to “Ana M. “Cha” Guzman, Ed.D. Interim District President” and replace with “Mary Hensley, Ed.D. Chancellor” for Blinn College District.

2. The FINANCIAL clause for Blinn under Section 4 of the Agreement ("RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES") and any subsequent Amendment thereto, is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the new FINANCIAL clause for Blinn under Section 4 below:

BLINN will:

a) Provide faculty, staff, and facilities to support the activities and functions of the Academy including, but not limited to, STEM faculty, academic advisors, computer labs, offices, tutors, sufficient network bandwidth capacity, faculty support resources, and the like.

b) Assume financial responsibility for all necessary equipment and supplies needed to ensure the quality of engineering courses taught by CoE faculty on Blinn campuses are comparable to that of CoE courses taught on the TAMU-CS campus including, but not limited to, projection capabilities, multiple display screens or monitors to accommodate a large classroom setting, and class space conducive to active-collaborative learning.

C) Provide a living learning community ("LLC") opportunity on the Brenham campus for a minimum of 100 Academy students.
3. Section 10 of the Agreement ("Notices") and any subsequent Amendment thereto, is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the new Section 10 below:

All notices to all Parties under this Agreement shall be in writing and sent to the names and addresses stated below. Either Party to the Agreement may change such name and address by notice to the other in accordance herewith, and any such change shall take effect immediately upon receipt of such notice.

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4. Original Appendix A of this Agreement and any subsequent Amendment thereto, is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the new Appendix A, attached hereto and beginning on the following page.

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the original Agreement and the Amendment No. 1 remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

The undersigned Parties bind themselves to the faithful performance of this Agreement.

**TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

Signed: [Signature]
Carol A. Fierke, Ph.D.
Provost and Executive Vice President
Date: 9/11/19

**BLINN COLLEGE DISTRICT**

Signed: [Signature]
Mary Hensley, Ed.D.
Chancellor
Date: 9/14/19

**TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING**

Signed: [Signature]
M. Katherine Banks, Ph.D., P.E.
Vice Chancellor and Dean of Engineering
Director, Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station
Harold J. Haynes Dean's Chair Professor
Date: 9/3/19
Appendix A

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:
The following document highlights the proposed Texas A&M Engineering Academy at Blinn-Bryan and Blinn-Brenham campuses. Key differences between the two locations are so noted.

1. ADMISSION PROCESS:
   Blinn-Bryan Campus
   a) First time in college students will complete the ApplyTexas application (https://www.applytexas.org/) for TAMU-CS.
   b) The student must select an engineering major as a first and second choice major to be considered for the holistic review process for engineering. It is through this process that students are offered admission into the Academy.
   c) The CoE will set Academy enrollment goals for the Bryan Campus each academic year. Texas A&M University ("TAMU") Admissions office, based on anticipated yield, will invite a percentage of students from each of the following two categories to meet that goal;
      a. Fully admitted TAMU-CS students not offered full enrollment in the CoE due to limited capacity. These students can accept the offer to join the Academy or choose to select another open major at TAMU-CS prior to May 1st or during their New Student Conference. If these students decide to participate in the Academy, they will retain their full admission to TAMU-CS. These students will be allowed to request a change of curriculum as per TAMU student rule 5.
      b. Students not offered full admission to TAMU-CS, but who were offered admission to the Academy based upon holistic review. These students can accept the offer to join the Academy, but they do not have the option of changing to another open major at TAMU-CS prior to May 1st or during their New Student Conference. They do have the option of changing to the Texas A&M Blinn Transfer Enrollment at A&M ("TEAM") program prior to May 1st or during their New Student Conference or requesting a change after beginning the Academy provided they are in satisfactory academic standing.
   d) If, after the May 1 deadline, space in the Academy remains, students participating in TEAM with an academic interest of pursuing engineering may be invited to participate in the Academy until capacity is reached. The Office of Admissions will handle the process to invite the students from TEAM to participate in the Academy.
   e) An option to be considered for early entrance into a CoE degree-granting major is available for students who have completed a minimum of two math, two science, and two engineering courses approved by the CoE and have earned a minimum cumulative GPA ("CGPA") of 2.0 at TAMU and a minimum CGPA of 2.5 at Blinn by the end of the term in which they seek entrance. The CGPA will be calculated by TAMU-CS and in accordance to how TAMU-CS calculates CGPA. The option to apply for early entrance into an engineering degree-granting major is available each fall and spring term beginning with the students second semester.
      a. Academy students may be eligible for automatic entrance into their highest ranked major provided they have completed a minimum of two math, two science and two engineering courses approved by the CoE and have earned a minimum 3.5 CGPA at both institutions as calculated by TAMU-CS by the end of the term in which they seek entrance. This automatic entry option is only available for students applying for entrance into a CoE degree-granting major during their second term if they start the Academy calculus ready and during their third term if they start the Academy in pre-calculus.
b. Students who receive entry into a CoE major prior to completion of the two-year program must complete the entire calculus sequence required for the admitted major prior to the semester of full enrollment.

c. Students who receive entry into a CoE major prior to completion of the two-year program may retain their offer while continuing the two-year co-enrollment program.

f) Students can secure entry into a degree-granting major at TAMU through early entry, a change of curriculum or program completion as outlined in the ‘Timely Completion’ section.

g) Students who do not earn entry into a degree-granting major by the end of the first summer term following their second year will not be able to continue their enrollment at TAMU, but may be eligible for admission as a returning student after the next fall semester (subject to current readmission criteria.)

Blinn-Brenham Campus

a) Students applying for admission into Blinn-Brenham will complete the ApplyTexas application (https://www.applytexas.org) for Blinn and an Academy at Blinn-Brenham supplemental application.

b) Continuing students at Blinn-Brenham who wish to participate in the Academy will complete a TAMU Academy application consisting of all the information collected on the ApplyTexas application [Biographical information, educational background and information, test scores, residency information, extracurricular and volunteer activities, employment information, custom questions for the institution, etc.].

c) An additional application fee payable to TAMU may be charged to students seeking consideration of co-enrollment through the Academy program.

d) Blinn-Brenham will select pre-calculus or calculus ready students from their applicant pool who are interested in pursuing an engineering degree through the Academy. This applicant pool can consist of both “first-time-in-” and continuing college students.

e) Blinn-Brenham will pre-qualify students and provide the pre-qualified students instructions to access the TAMU Engineering Academy application. Blinn-Brenham and TAMU-CS will agree on a desired applicant pool for each admission term.

f) The CoE will set Academy enrollment goals for the Brenham Campus each academic year. The TAMU-CS Admissions office, based on anticipated yield and the holistic review, will invite a percentage of these talented students to participate in the Academy.

g) Admission to the Academy will require participation in the LLC, requiring all Academy students to live on the Brenham campus. Students may choose to appeal this requirement on the basis of financial or medical needs.

h) An option to be considered for early entrance into a CoE degree-granting major is available for students who have completed a minimum of two math, two science, and two engineering courses approved by the CoE and have earned a minimum CGPA of 2.0 at TAMU and a minimum CGPA of 2.5 at Blinn by the end of the term in which they seek entrance. The CGPA will be calculated by TAMU-CS and in accordance to how TAMU-CS calculates CGPA. The option to apply for early entrance into an engineering degree-granting major is available each fall and spring term beginning with the students second semester.

a. Academy students may be eligible for automatic entrance into their highest ranked major provided they have completed a minimum of two math, two science and two engineering courses approved by the CoE and have earned a minimum 3.5 CGPA at both institutions as calculated by TAMU-CS by the end of the term in which they seek entrance. This automatic entry option is only available for students applying for entrance into a CoE
degree granting major during their second term if they start the Academy calculus ready and during their third term if they start the Academy in pre-calculus.

b. Will complete the entire calculus sequence at Blinn-Brenham required for the admitted major prior to the semester of full enrollment.

c. Students who receive entry into a CoE major prior to completion of the two-year program may retain their offer while continuing the two-year co-enrollment program.

i) Students who do not secure early entry into a degree-granting major by the end of the first summer term following their second year but who fulfill program completion requirements as noted in the ‘Timely Completion’ section of this Agreement will be automatically admitted to TAMU-CS for the following fall term. These students can then apply for a change of curriculum into a degree-granting major in the CoE. If a student fails to gain a change of curriculum into their engineering major of choice, Academy advisors will help the student identify another major in or outside of the CoE.

j) Students who do not earn entry into a degree-granting major by the end of the first summer term following their second year will not be able to continue their enrollment at TAMU, but may be eligible for admission as a transfer student after the next fall semester (subject to current transfer admission criteria.)

2. MATH PLACEMENT EXAM (“MPE”) AND MATH REQUIREMENTS:

Blinn-Bryan Campus

a) Academy students will be required to take the TAMU-CS MPE and will be placed into their mathematics course according to that result.

b) Academy students that earn early entrance into a major in the CoE must complete their calculus sequence (Calculus I, II, and III) or the required calculus for their admitted major prior to beginning full time enrollment in the engineering major at TAMU.

Blinn-Brenham Campus

a) Academy students will be required to take the Blinn MPE. After acceptance into the Academy and at the discretion of the Academy administrators, students may be required to take the TAMU-CS MPE.

b) The Blinn MPE will be used to place students in the appropriate math course at Blinn.

c) Academy students must be pre-calculus or calculus ready.

d) Academy students that earn early entrance into a major in the CoE must complete their calculus sequence (Calculus I, II, and III) or the required calculus for their admitted major at Blinn-Brenham prior to beginning full time enrollment in the engineering major at TAMU.

3. ENROLLMENT GUIDELINES:

Blinn-Bryan campus: Academy students must meet the following:

a) An Academy student must enroll for a minimum of 12 credit hours each fall and spring semester. Three to six credit hours will be at TAMU-CS (including one academic course), and the remainder will be at Blinn. Exceptions to these guidelines will be reviewed and approved by both institutions only under extenuating circumstances. The three to six TAMU credit hours must include at least one course that satisfies a degree requirement in the CoE.

b) The maximum credit hour enrollment for Summer I and II sessions is seven per term at Blinn and seven at TAMU. The maximum credit hour enrollment for 10-week summer sessions is 10 at Blinn and 14 at TAMU. The maximum combined enrollment limit for Academy students in summer school is 14 credit hours.
c) An Academy student who drops or withdraws from his/her TAMU-CS course(s) and Blinn courses and falls below one credit hour across both campuses will be withdrawn from TAMU-CS for that semester, thus forfeiting all TAMU-CS student privileges for the remainder of the term (i.e. use of campus facilities, residence halls, sports tickets, etc.) Unless otherwise prohibited, the student may continue in the Academy the subsequent semester.

d) Academy students will not be given priority registration privileges by virtue of their participation in the Academy, however they will be placed in cohort sections (math, science, and engineering) during their first academic year to enhance academic success. As with all TAMU-CS students, continuing Academy students will be assigned pre-registration times at TAMU-CS and they will not be guaranteed seats in particular classes.

e) A student appealing academic or disciplinary decisions will be directed to the institution under whose jurisdiction the matter falls and will follow established procedures at that institution.
   a. A student not allowed to continue at Blinn will also not be allowed to continue at TAMU in the Academy program.
   b. A student removed from the TAMU for either academic or disciplinary reasons will no longer be eligible to continue enrollment at TAMU, however the student may continue at Blinn with the approval of Blinn officials and pursue future readmission to TAMU subject to the then current readmission criteria.

f) An Academy student must plan his/her course schedule to ensure completion of the Academy in a timely manner, as required under the 'Timely Completion' section of this document. An Academy student must apply (upon eligibility) for reverse transfer to receive their Associate Degree from Blinn.

g) Co-enrollment at both TAMU and Blinn provides enrolled students the option to participate in all student services, student activities, student organizations, etc., and to the fullest extent possible at both institutions. However, participation in NCAA Division I sports is not allowed for Academy students.

**Blinn-Brenham campus:** Academy students must meet the following:

a) An Academy student must enroll in a minimum of 12 total credit hours each fall and spring semester. The 12 credit hours each semester must consist of at least 2-5 credit hours of engineering specific courses offered through TAMU-CS and taught by CoE faculty on the Brenham campus while the remaining credit hours will be offered through Blinn-Brenham. Exceptions to these guidelines will be approved only under extenuating circumstances.

b) The maximum credit hour enrollment for Summer I and II sessions is 7 at Blinn and 7 at TAMU. The maximum credit hour enrollment for 10-week summer sessions is 10 at Blinn and 14 at TAMU. The maximum combined enrollment limit for Academy students in summer school is 14 credit hours.

c) An Academy student who drops or withdraws from his/her TAMU-CS course(s) and falls below one credit hour will be withdrawn from TAMU-CS for that semester, thus forfeiting all TAMU-CS student privileges for the remainder of the term (i.e. use of campus facilities, sports tickets, etc.). Unless otherwise prohibited, the student may continue in the Academy the subsequent semester.

d) Academy students will not be given priority registration privileges by virtue of their participation in the Program, however they will be placed in cohort sections (math, science, and engineering) during their first academic year to enhance academic success.

e) A student appealing academic or disciplinary decisions will be directed to the institution under whose jurisdiction the matter falls and will follow established procedures at that institution.
   a. A student not allowed to continue at Blinn will also not be allowed to continue at TAMU in the Academy program.
b. A student removed from TAMU for either academic or disciplinary reasons will no longer be eligible to continue enrollment at TAMU, however the student may continue at Blinn with the approval of Blinn officials.

f) An Academy student must plan his/her course schedule to ensure completion of the Program in a timely manner, as required under the 'Timely Completion' section of this document. An Academy student must apply (upon eligibility) for reverse transfer to receive their Associate Degree from Blinn.

g) Co-enrollment at both TAMU and Blinn provides enrolled students the option to participate in all student services, student activities, student organizations, etc., and to the fullest extent possible at both institutions. Participation in NICAA Division I sports is allowed at the Blinn-Brenham campus only if enrolled full-time with Blinn (12-credit hours).

4. GRADE AND CREDIT REQUIREMENTS:
   Blinn-Bryan and Blinn-Brenham
   a) Courses taken at Blinn must be appropriate for the student’s preferred major at TAMU-CS. Other course may not be counted toward meeting the minimum required hours.

b) Any college level credits accepted by TAMU that were earned by a student prior to beginning the Academy program shall apply toward the Blinn program completion credit hour requirements as noted in the 'Timely Completion' section of this Agreement.

c) After a student begins the Academy, only credits earned from Blinn will count toward the Blinn program completion credit hour requirements as noted in the 'Timely Completion' section of this Agreement.

d) A student in the Academy program shall be permitted to transfer course credits from TAMU to Blinn in accordance with the policies of Blinn. The use and application of these credits at Blinn shall be determined by the student’s Associate Degree program.

5. GPA CALCULATION:
   Blinn-Bryan and Blinn-Brenham
   A GPA will be calculated as per TAMU GPA student rule 10, which states the following:
   - 10.13.2: The hours for which a student receives a grade of "satisfactory" shall not be included in the computation of the student’s semester or cumulative grade point ratio; a grade of "unsatisfactory" shall be included in the computation of the student’s grade points per credit hour as an F. A grade of "satisfactory" will be given only for grades of C and above; a grade of "unsatisfactory" will be given for grades D and F.
   - 10.22: A student repeating a course completed at TAMU in which a grade of B or better has been earned will not receive grade points for the repeated course, unless the catalog states the course may be repeated for credit.

6. TIMELY COMPLETION:
   Blinn-Bryan and Blinn-Brenham
   Students participating in the Academy must satisfactorily complete the requirements within a period that begins with the fall semester of the year of admission to the Academy, and ends with the completion of the first summer session following the second year of enrollment in the Academy. Students must make appropriate progress on passed hours and GPA to remain in the Academy.
Blinn-Bryan campus
Successful and timely completion of the Academy requires that students have fulfilled one of the following:

a) Secured early entrance into a CoE degree-granting major as noted in Appendix A, Blinn-Bryan section 1.e.

b) They have earned a change of curriculum to a major outside the CoE during the two-year co-enrollment program.
   a. Students with full admission to TAMU-CS that selected to begin in the Academy will retain their full offer of admission. These students may apply to a degree-granting major via the TAMU Change of Curriculum process during the two-year co-enrollment program as per TAMU student rule 5.0.
   b. Students whose only offer of admission to TAMU was to the Academy may apply to a degree-granting major via the TAMU Change of Curriculum process if the student has completed a minimum of two terms and maintained a minimum 2.5 CGPA at both institutions.

c) They have fulfilled program completion requirements.
   a. Program completion requires that students have a minimum CGPA of 2.5 on at least 45 credit hours of transferable coursework for Blinn and a minimum CGPA of 2.5 on at least 15 credit hours from TAMU-CS.
   b. At least 12-15 credit hours offered by TAMU-CS, must be in three or four credit-hour courses that satisfy TAMU Core Curriculum or Degree requirements (exceptions to the credit hour requirement include 2 credit hour engineering courses required for Academy students.)

Blinn-Brenham campus
Successful and timely completion of the Academy requires that students have fulfilled one of the following:

a) Secured early entrance into a CoE degree-granting major as noted in Appendix A, Blinn-Brenham section 1.h.

b) They have fulfilled program completion requirements.
   a. Program completion requires that students have a minimum CGPA of 2.5 on at least 48 credit hours of transferable coursework for Blinn and a minimum CGPA of 2.5 on at least 9 credit hours from TAMU-CS.
   b. At least 9 credit hours offered by TAMU-CS, must be in three of four credit-hour courses that satisfy TAMU Core Curriculum or Degree requirements (exceptions to the credit hour requirement include 2 credit hour engineering courses required for Academy students.)

7. REMOVAL FROM THE ACADEMY:
Blinn-Bryan and Blinn-Brenham
A student removed from the Academy for either academic or disciplinary reasons will not be permitted continued enrollment nor guaranteed admission to TAMU-CS; continued enrollment at the partner institution will be at the discretion of the partner institution officials.

8. FEES AND DEADLINES:
Blinn-Bryan and Blinn-Brenham
a) Students accepted to the Academy will be required to pay the respective tuition and fees separately at both institutions, pro-rated as appropriate based on the semester credit hours
enrolled at each institution, by the established deadlines. Both institutions agree to work on a single billing solution for the Academy during the subsequent years of this Agreement.
b) Students who meet Academy requirements to fully transition to TAMU-CS will not be required to pay an additional application fee for transition.

9. FINANCIAL AID:
Blinn-Bryan Campus
The Blinn-Bryan financial aid structure will remain with TAMU-CS processing as the responsible party. Due to federal regulations, only coursework that counts towards the student's degree may be used in determining the hours of enrollment for financial aid purposes. Thus, only coursework from both Blinn and TAMU that counts towards an engineering degree may be used in determining the hours of enrollment for financial aid purposes.

Blinn-Brenham Campus
Blinn-Brenham will be responsible for processing financial aid as the home institution under a financial aid consortium Agreement for Academy students on their campus. TAMU-CS will provide registration, course withdrawal, and any other information necessary to process financial aid under the consortium. Academy students only need to apply for financial aid at Blinn-Brenham.

10. ELIGIBILITY:
Blinn-Bryan Campus
Students must submit the TAMU-CS freshman admission application and all required credentials to be considered for admission to the Academy.

Blinn-Brenham Campus
a) Continuing students are not required to take the SAT or ACT, however they will be required to demonstrate pre-calculus readiness to apply.
b) Direct admit from high school students are required to take the SAT or ACT to apply for the Academy.

11. ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS:
Blinn-Bryan and Blinn-Brenham
A minimum enrollment, agreed upon by both institutions, is required to begin each academy cohort.

12. REVERSE TRANSFER:
Blinn-Bryan and Blinn-Brenham
An Academy student, upon eligibility, will be reviewed for reverse transfer to receive their Associate Degree from Blinn. The reverse transfer process will be continually reviewed and administratively enhanced by the CoE to maximize the number of Associate Degrees awarded to Academy students.

13. APPEAL OPTIONS:
Blinn-Bryan and Blinn-Brenham
An appeal process will be created by mutual agreement between the Parties administrators. One item of possible appeal is shown below, however this list is not all-inclusive and is subject to change as the Academy evolves:
• Required LLC participation can be appealed for extenuating circumstances such as financial and/or medical reasons.
14. EXCHANGE OF STUDENT RECORDS:
Academy students' academic and disciplinary records will be maintained and kept current on both campuses with appropriate periodic exchange of information between Blinn and TAMU-CS. To facilitate the exchange of student records and the appropriate application of coursework toward the fulfillment of degree requirements, Academy students will be required to permit the release of their academic records and allow the bilateral sharing of those records between Blinn and TAMU-CS. This includes exchange of student transcripts each term between Blinn and TAMU-CS. No money will be exchanged between the parties for services under this Agreement.