

1 State of Arkansas  
2 95th General Assembly  
3 Fiscal Session, 2026  
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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 28

5 By: Joint Budget Committee  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES  
10 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE SOUTH ARKANSAS COLLEGE  
11 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2027; AND FOR  
12 OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE SOUTH ARKANSAS COLLEGE  
16 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2026-2027 FISCAL  
17 YEAR.  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established  
24 for the South Arkansas College for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, the following  
25 maximum number of regular employees.  
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Item		Maximum	Maximum Annual
No.	Title	No. of	Salary Rate
		Employees	Fiscal Year
			2026-2027
	<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		
	<u>ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS</u>		
(1)	President, SAC	1	\$214,799
(2)	IT Pool	3	
	Network Engineer		\$207,404
	Information Systems Manager		\$133,122



1	Computer Network Coordinator	\$132,901
2	Technical Support Staff	\$126,956
3	Coordinator, Academic Computing	\$125,461
4	Coord., Administrative Computing	\$125,461
5	Coordinator of Information Tech	\$123,806
6	Website Developer/Programmer	\$123,806
7	System Programmer/Web Developer	\$122,387
8	Computer Systems Mgr.	\$112,475
9	Database Administrator	\$110,019
10	Systems Administrator	\$108,925
11	Information Systems Security Spec.	\$106,894
12	Institution Information Tech Coord	\$104,736
13	Assistant Database Administrator	\$100,790
14	Computer Support Manager	\$100,708
15	Information Systems Coordinator	\$100,708
16	Senior Software Support Specialist	\$100,708
17	Systems Specialist	\$100,708
18	Information Technology Manager	\$99,493
19	Network Support Specialist	\$96,834
20	Senior Software Support Analyst	\$96,834
21	Tech Support/Systems Admin.	\$95,330
22	Tech Support/Applications Support	\$95,330
23	Information Systems Business Mgr.	\$93,110
24	Security Analyst	\$93,110
25	Systems Analyst	\$93,110
26	Information Technology Specialist	\$91,166
27	Computer Support Coordinator	\$89,529
28	Software Support Analyst	\$89,529
29	Systems Applications Supervisor	\$89,529
30	Computer Operations Coordinator	\$86,085
31	Systems Coordination Analyst	\$86,085
32	PC Support Specialist	\$84,480
33	Computer Support Specialist	\$82,775
34	Database Analyst	\$82,775
35	Digital Broadcast Specialist	\$79,590
36	Network Support Analyst	\$79,590

1	Website Developer		\$79,590
2	Information Systems Analyst		\$76,530
3	Info Systems Security Analyst		\$76,530
4	Computer Support Analyst		\$76,530
5	Software Support Specialist		\$73,587
6	Telecommunications Supervisor		\$73,587
7	Media Specialist		\$72,215
8	Computer Support Technician		\$70,756
9	Help Desk Specialist		\$70,756
10	Computer Operator		\$68,035
11	Network Analyst		\$68,035
12	Telecommunications Specialist		\$68,035
13	Multimedia Specialist		\$64,199
14	Information Technology Assistant		\$60,483
15	Computer Lab Technician		\$58,156
16	Multimedia Technician		\$52,766
17	Audiovisual Laboratory Assistant		\$48,785
18	(3) Vice-President for Academic Affairs	1	\$172,403
19	(4) Vice-President for Admin. Services	1	\$172,403
20	(5) Chief Information Officer	1	\$161,671
21	(6) Vice-President for Student Services	1	\$161,671
22	(7) Dir. of Occup. & Technical Educ.	1	\$152,685
23	(8) Dir. of Human Resources / Service	1	\$136,981
24	(9) Director of Institutional Research	1	\$136,981
25	(10) Dir. of Workforce Development	1	\$133,980
26	(11) Counselor	2	\$131,589
27	(12) Dir. of Public Relations/Marketing	1	\$126,161
28	(13) Registrar	1	\$126,161
29	(14) Director of Student Aid	1	\$125,910
30	(15) Dean of Students	2	\$125,372
31	(16) Project/Program Administrator	4	
32	Project/Program Director		\$124,789
33	Project/Program Manager		\$104,496
34	Project/Program Specialist		\$94,333
35	(17) Director, Admin. Computer Services	1	\$123,806
36	(18) Director of Computer Services	1	\$123,806

1	(19)	Director, Distance Learning	1	\$123,717
2	(20)	Controller	1	\$120,931
3	(21)	Director of Development	1	\$117,086
4	(22)	Director of Physical Plant	1	\$116,722
5	(23)	Dir., Systems Prog./Database Svc.	1	\$115,338
6	(24)	Dean Stu. Affairs-Enrollment Svcs.	1	\$115,019
7	(25)	Administrator of Grants & Contracts	1	\$109,104
8	(26)	Assistant to the President	1	\$107,799
9	(27)	Director of Public Safety	1	\$104,496
10	(28)	Workforce Specialist	2	\$96,033
11	(29)	Distance Learning Specialist	1	\$95,881
12	(30)	Fiscal Support Pool	6	
13		Fiscal Support Manager		\$95,029
14		Fiscal Support Supervisor		\$78,106
15		Accountant II		\$75,103
16		Accountant I		\$72,215
17		Fiscal Support Analyst		\$69,437
18		Fiscal Support Specialist		\$61,729
19		Accounting Technician		\$57,071
20		Fiscal Support Technician		\$52,766
21	(31)	Public Safety Pool	5	
22		HE Public Safety Commander III		\$93,110
23		Director Public Safety I		\$91,374
24		HE Public Safety Commander II		\$89,529
25		HE Public Safety Commander I		\$86,085
26		HE Public Safety Supervisor		\$76,530
27		Public Safety Officer		\$73,587
28		Public Safety Officer II		\$68,035
29		Security Officer Supervisor		\$64,199
30		Public Safety/Security Officer		\$58,156
31		HE Public Safety Dispatcher		\$48,785
32		Parking Control Supv.		\$48,785
33		Security Officer		\$48,785
34		Parking Control Officer		\$46,909
35		Watchman		\$40,098
36	(32)	Accounting Coordinator	1	\$87,860

1	(33)	Payroll Services Coordinator	1	\$81,232
2	(34)	Academic Advisor	5	\$79,653
3	(35)	Assistant Director	1	\$79,653
4	(36)	Director	1	\$79,653
5	(37)	Skilled Trades Pool	10	
6		Skilled Trades Foreman		\$76,530
7		Skilled Trades Supervisor		\$73,587
8		Skilled Tradesman		\$70,756
9		Skilled Trades Helper		\$53,769
10		Apprentice Tradesman		\$47,801
11	(38)	Administrative Support Pool	12	
12		Administrative Assistant		\$69,437
13		Administrative Analyst		\$69,437
14		Administrative Support Supervisor		\$64,199
15		Administrative Specialist III		\$61,729
16		Administration Support Specialist		\$61,729
17		Administrative Specialist II		\$54,877
18		Administrative Support Specialist		\$54,877
19		Administrative Specialist I		\$48,785
20		Extra Help Assistant		\$40,098
21	(39)	Assistant Registrar	1	\$69,437
22	(40)	Financial Aid Analyst	2	\$69,437
23	(41)	Library Support Pool	3	
24		Library Supervisor		\$69,437
25		Library Specialist		\$59,355
26		Library Technician		\$54,877
27		Library Support Assistant		\$50,737
28	(42)	Payroll Services Specialist	1	\$69,437
29	(43)	Financial Aid Specialist	1	\$64,199
30	(44)	Student Recruitment Specialist	3	\$64,199
31	(45)	Admissions Analyst	1	\$54,877
32	(46)	Institutional Services Shift Supv.	1	\$50,737
33	(47)	Institutional Services Supervisor	1	\$45,105
34	(48)	Institutional Services Assistant	10	\$43,370
35		<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		
36		<u>ACADEMIC POSITIONS</u>		

1	(49)	Division Chairperson	4	\$150,880
2	(50)	Librarian	1	\$136,981
3	(51)	Director of Allied Health	3	\$132,703
4	(52)	Director of Adult Education	1	\$131,590
5	(53)	Instructor-Nursing & Allied Health	20	\$124,155
6		<u>NINE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		
7		<u>ACADEMIC POSITIONS</u>		
8	(54)	Faculty	64	\$114,926
9	(55)	Part-Time Faculty	80	\$57,840
10		<u>TWELVE MONTH AUXILIARY ENTERPRISES</u>		
11		<u>POSITIONS</u>		
12	(56)	Conference Center Director	1	\$126,161
13	(57)	Athletic Director	1	\$124,789
14	(58)	Project/Program Administrator	6	
15		Project/Program Director		\$124,788
16		Project/Program Manager		\$104,496
17		Project Program Specialist		\$94,333
18	(59)	Campus Store Manager	1	\$108,248
19	(60)	Events Planner	1	\$108,248
20	(61)	Athletic Admin. & Support Pool	6	
21		Coach		\$108,248
22		Asst. Coach		\$57,839
23		Athletic Trainer		\$43,298
24	(62)	Fiscal Support Pool	2	
25		Fiscal Support Manager		\$95,029
26		Fiscal Support Supervisor		\$78,106
27		Accountant II		\$75,103
28		Accountant I		\$72,215
29		Fiscal Support Analyst		\$69,437
30		Fiscal Support Specialist		\$61,729
31		Accounting Technician		\$57,071
32		Fiscal Support Technician		\$52,766
33	(63)	Skilled Trades Pool	2	
34		Skilled Trades Foreman		\$76,530
35		Skilled Trades Supervisor		\$73,587
36		Skilled Tradesman		\$70,756

1	Skilled Trades Helper		\$53,769
2	Apprentice Tradesman		\$47,801
3	(64) Food Service Pool	5	
4	Food Preparation Manager		\$66,767
5	Food Preparation Supervisor		\$59,355
6	Food Preparation Coordinator		\$52,766
7	Food Preparation Specialist		\$45,105
8	Food Preparation Technician		\$41,702
9	(65) Residential Life Coordinator	<u>1</u>	\$59,719
10	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	302	

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12 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for

13 the South Arkansas College for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, the following

14 maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra

15 Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: one hundred

16 seventy-five (175) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of

17 pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and

18 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate

19 classification.

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21 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby

22 appropriated, to the South Arkansas College, to be payable from the South

23 Arkansas College Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the

24 South Arkansas College for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the

25 following:

27	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
28	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>
29	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$4,372,011
30	(02) EXTRA HELP	214,227
31	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,339,930
32	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
33	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,452,411
34	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
35	(C) PROF. FEES	0
36	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0

1	(E) DATA PROC.	0
2	(05) CONTINGENCY	<u>368,929</u>
3	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$7,747,508</u></u>

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5 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - CASH FUNDS. There is hereby appropriated,  
 6 to the South Arkansas College, to be payable from cash funds as defined by  
 7 Arkansas Code 19-4-801, for personal services and operating expenses of the  
 8 South Arkansas College for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the  
 9 following:

10	11 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
12	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>
13	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$6,500,000
14	(02) EXTRA HELP	400,000
15	(03) OVERTIME	50,000
16	(04) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	2,645,000
17	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
18	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	7,801,664
19	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	217,389
20	(C) PROF. FEES	100,000
21	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	500,000
22	(E) DATA PROC.	0
23	(06) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	14,896,454
24	(07) DEBT SERVICE	1,000,000
25	(08) FUND TRANSFERS, REFUNDS AND	
26	INVESTMENTS	100,000
27	(09) PROMOTIONAL ITEMS	<u>63,465</u>
28	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$34,273,972</u></u>

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30 SECTION 5. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds  
 31 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency  
 32 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and  
 33 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and  
 34 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
 35 Procedures and Restrictions Act, the Higher Education Expenditure Restriction  
 36 Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of this State, where

1 applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and  
2 Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in  
3 disbursement of said funds.  
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5 SECTION 6. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General  
6 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
7 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for  
8 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
9 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
10 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
11 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
12 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.  
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14 SECTION 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
15 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
16 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the  
17 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2026 is essential to the operation of  
18 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
19 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the  
20 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2026 could work irreparable harm  
21 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental  
22 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act  
23 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health  
24 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2026.  
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