

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

A Bill

SENATE BILL 44

4
5 By: Joint Budget Committee
6
7

For An Act To Be Entitled

8
9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
10 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE SOUTHEAST ARKANSAS
11 COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2027; AND
12 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
13

Subtitle

14
15
16 AN ACT FOR THE SOUTHEAST ARKANSAS COLLEGE
17 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2026-2027 FISCAL
18 YEAR.
19

20
21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
22

23 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established
24 for the Southeast Arkansas College for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, the
25 following maximum number of regular employees.
26

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, SEAC	1	\$214,799
(2)	IT Pool	6	
	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) Chief Academic Officer	1	\$172,403
19	(4) Chief Fiscal Officer	1	\$161,671
20	(5) Chief Student Officer	1	\$161,671
21	(6) Dir. of Human Resources/Services	1	\$136,981
22	(7) Director of Institutional Research	1	\$136,981
23	(8) Director of Workforce Development	1	\$133,980
24	(9) Counselor	2	\$131,589
25	(10) Dir. of Public Relations & Mktg.	1	\$126,161
26	(11) Registrar	1	\$126,161
27	(12) Director of Financial Aid	1	\$125,910
28	(13) Project/Program Administrator	2	
29	Project/Program Director		\$124,789
30	Project/Program Manager		\$104,496
31	Project/Program Specialist		\$94,333
32	(14) Executive Asst. to the President	1	\$124,242
33	(15) Director of Computer Services	1	\$123,806
34	(16) Business Manager	1	\$120,931
35	(17) Controller	1	\$120,931
36	(18) Director of Development	1	\$117,086

1	(19)	Director of Physical Plant	1	\$116,722
2	(20)	Director of Police & Public Safety	1	\$116,722
3	(21)	Dir. of Admissions & Enroll. Mgmt.	1	\$115,020
4	(22)	Coord. of Student Recruitment	1	\$114,927
5	(23)	Director of Retention & Advising	1	\$110,897
6	(24)	Coord. of Grants and Special Prgms.	1	\$109,103
7	(25)	Coord. Advising/Testing/Records	1	\$106,296
8	(26)	Workforce Specialist	1	\$96,033
9	(27)	Distance Learning Specialist	1	\$95,881
10	(28)	Fiscal Support Pool	5	
11		Fiscal Support Manager		\$95,029
12		Fiscal Support Supervisor		\$78,106
13		Accountant II		\$75,103
14		Accountant I		\$72,215
15		Fiscal Support Analyst		\$69,437
16		Fiscal Support Specialist		\$61,729
17		Accounting Technician		\$57,071
18		Fiscal Support Technician		\$52,766
19	(29)	Public Safety Pool	2	
20		HE Public Safety Commander III		\$93,110
21		Director Public Safety I		\$91,374
22		HE Public Safety Commander II		\$89,529
23		HE Public Safety Commander I		\$86,085
24		HE Public Safety Supervisor		\$76,530
25		Public Safety Officer		\$73,587
26		Public Safety Officer II		\$68,035
27		Security Officer Supervisor		\$64,199
28		Public Safety/Security Officer		\$58,156
29		HE Public Safety Dispatcher		\$48,785
30		Parking Control Supv.		\$48,785
31		Security Officer		\$48,785
32		Parking Control Officer		\$46,909
33		Watchman		\$40,098
34	(30)	Education Counselor	1	\$81,232
35	(31)	Assistant Dir. of Financial Aid	1	\$75,103
36	(32)	Budget Specialist	1	\$75,103

1	(33)	Maintenance Coordinator	1	\$75,103
2	(34)	Administrative Support Pool	12	
3		Administrative Assistant		\$69,437
4		Administrative Analyst		\$69,437
5		Administrative Support Supervisor		\$64,199
6		Administrative Specialist III		\$61,729
7		Administration Support Specialist		\$61,729
8		Administrative Specialist II		\$54,877
9		Administrative Support Specialist		\$54,877
10		Administrative Specialist I		\$48,785
11		Extra Help Assistant		\$40,098
12	(35)	Library Support Pool	2	
13		Library Supervisor		\$69,437
14		Library Specialist		\$59,355
15		Library Technician		\$54,877
16		Library Support Assistant		\$50,737
17	(36)	Maintenance Supervisor	1	\$69,437
18	(37)	Purchasing Specialist	1	\$69,437
19	(38)	Financial Aid Specialist	2	\$64,199
20	(39)	Human Resources Specialist	1	\$64,199
21	(40)	Maintenance Technician	1	\$64,199
22	(41)	Student Recruitment Specialist	1	\$64,199
23	(42)	Maintenance Specialist	1	\$61,729
24	(43)	Payroll Technician	1	\$61,729
25	(44)	Cashier	2	\$52,766
26	(45)	Maintenance Assistant	3	\$52,766
27	(46)	Shipping & Receiving Clerk	1	\$46,909
28	(47)	Institutional Services Supervisor	1	\$45,105
29	(48)	Institutional Services Assistant	7	\$43,370
30		<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		
31		<u>ACADEMIC POSITIONS</u>		
32	(49)	Division Chairperson/Dean	4	\$150,880
33	(50)	Librarian	1	\$136,981
34	(51)	Director of Respiratory Care	1	\$124,154
35	(52)	Special Instructor	10	\$114,926
36		<u>NINE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		

1		<u>ACADEMIC POSITIONS</u>		
2	(53)	Faculty	67	\$114,926
3	(54)	Part-Time Faculty	195	\$57,840
4		<u>TWELVE MONTH AUXILIARY ENTERPRISES</u>		
5		<u>POSITIONS</u>		
6	(55)	Athletic Director	1	\$124,789
7	(56)	Project/Program Administrator	1	
8		Project/Program Director		\$124,789
9		Project/Program Manager		\$104,496
10		Project/Program Specialist		\$94,333
11	(57)	Athletic Admin. & Support Pool	8	
12		Coach		\$108,248
13		Asst. Coach		\$57,839
14		Athletic Trainer		\$43,298
15	(58)	Child Care Director	1	\$78,106
16	(59)	Day Care Teacher	2	\$61,729
17	(60)	Child Care Technician	<u>2</u>	\$46,909
18		MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	375	

19

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

21 the Southeast Arkansas College for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, the following

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

23 Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: two hundred

24 (200) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to

25 exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or

26 its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

27

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

29 appropriated, to the Southeast Arkansas College, to be payable from the

30 Southeast Arkansas College Fund, for personal services and operating expenses

31 of the Southeast Arkansas College for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027,

32 the following:

33				
34	ITEM			FISCAL YEAR
35	<u>NO.</u>			<u>2026-2027</u>
36	(01)	REGULAR SALARIES		\$5,193,802

1	(02)	EXTRA HELP	576,604
2	(03)	PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,600,000
3	(04)	MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
4		(A) OPER. EXPENSE	88,440
5		(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
6		(C) PROF. FEES	0
7		(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
8		(E) DATA PROC.	0
9	(05)	CONTINGENCY	<u>372,942</u>
10		TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$7,831,788</u></u>

11
 12 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - CASH FUNDS. There is hereby appropriated,
 13 to the Southeast Arkansas College, to be payable from cash funds as defined
 14 by Arkansas Code 19-4-801, for personal services and operating expenses of
 15 the Southeast Arkansas College for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the
 16 following:

18	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR	
19	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>	
20	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$2,000,000	
21	(02) EXTRA HELP	1,000,000	
22	(03) OVERTIME	200,000	
23	(04) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,800,000	
24	(05) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
25		(A) OPER. EXPENSE	5,000,000
26		(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	500,000
27		(C) PROF. FEES	1,500,000
28		(D) CAP. OUTLAY	20,000,000
29		(E) DATA PROC.	0
30	(06) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	5,000,000	
31	(07) DEBT SERVICE	1,500,000	
32	(08) FUND TRANSFERS, REFUNDS AND		
33	INVESTMENTS	<u>1,200,000</u>	
34	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$39,700,000</u></u>	

35
 36 SECTION 5. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds

1 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
2 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
3 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
4 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
5 Procedures and Restrictions Act, the Higher Education Expenditure Restriction
6 Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of this State, where
7 applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and
8 Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in
9 disbursement of said funds.

10
11 SECTION 6. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
12 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
13 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
14 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
15 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
16 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
17 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
18 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

19
20 SECTION 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
21 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
22 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
23 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2026 is essential to the operation of
24 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
25 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
26 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2026 could work irreparable harm
27 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
28 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
29 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
30 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2026.

31
32
33 **APPROVED: 4/22/26**
34
35
36