

I go to Lonestar College and iSchoolHigh. Both of those institutions give certain services that the students and faculty are given. Lonestar college in particular gives a large amount of on campus resources such as: Advising, Financial Aid, Degree Planning, Tutoring, Libraries, Cafeteria, Campus Store, STAR Bundle, Study zones, Stress free zones, and many more. These services are also expanded by companies that work with the college and others. For example, Spotify, the number one Music Provider, gives a large discount to students. Another example is gyms like Planet Fitness that also give large student discounts. iSchool High gives free Lonestar tuitions for its students allowing them to get Associate degrees at the local Lonestar Colleges which gives them all the services that Lonestar students have.

Lonestar and iSchool also have a President/Chancellor and a board administration. For Lonestar they have these positions picked by vote within a Board of Trustees along with the Chancellor after the extensive interviewing process. In particular the Chancellor is usually from deep inside of the system except for Dr. John E. Pickelman who came from outside of the system. For iSchool, the higher administration is fully picked internally decided by the board themselves, but lower administration like Campus Directors and Counselors move up from their superiors retiring or their Superiors themselves moving up. Lonestar's Chancellor and the Presidents of the Campuses are actually quite diverse although they have all mostly stayed quiet about their religion, their race and ideals are quite public and they are very openly diverse and have nearly every opinion, race, and ideology represented. On the side of iSchool the higher administration is quite cleanly divided when it comes to race mostly being black and white and nearly all of them identifying as Christian. Locally though the campuses are led by a more spread out demographic having a large amount of White, Hispanic, Indian, and Black leadership, but still most either being Christian, non-publically displayed, or Non-Religious. This does leave a gap for the large number of Muslims in the system, but the group is protected and given the prayer times their religion is required to have. So although they aren't that represented they are quite happy, and don't currently have a problem with the administration.

Another aspect of these institutions is how they are funded and where does the money you give to them actually go? For Lonestar your tuition fees particularly are based on Classes which can be enrolled for multi-campus options, so the money you pay for classes are given up to the integrated system as a whole which annually decided to be spread among the campuses. This gives the campuses more equal funding for the services each campus gives out to their students. While iSchool collects money based on donations, campus enrollment, attendance, and overall student performance. This money is then given based on how much each campus needs depending on their student amounts because of the campus diversity of some only having around a few dozen students per class with others in the low hundreds per class.

Now how do I personally feel about the current situation at both Lonestar and iSchool? I personally have had zero bad experiences in either and both have given me great opportunities that I am so thankful for. If I went to a normalized public school I wouldn't have a chance to get an associates degree like I do now which will be able to help me throughout my life. I'm also thankful for Lonestar as they give me so many different resources to be able to perfect my craft and grow as a student as well as a person.

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