FAQs 2018-2019 Parking Fees

See the **Parking Map**

How much will our parking fees be for the next five years?

Please see this <u>five-year fee schedule</u>.

Why are parking fees increasing?

To fund facilities to accommodate projected growth in all our programs, including:

- A new \$6 million deck on the east garage that will add about 175 spaces, which will be financed over several years.
- Creation of about 40 more spaces in lots 1, 6, 8 and street parking on Haskell Street and Mattison Avenue.
- Improved technology and security.
- Increased parking facility maintenance needs.

State funds cannot be used to construct or maintain parking facilities. We have been fortunate in recent years to have acquired additional parking facilities from the former hospital where the MET building now is located. But now, it's time to invest in additional facilities.

Debt service on a \$6 million parking deck addition would cost approximately \$400,000 per year. About half the cost will be covered by the additional revenue generated from the new parking fees, with the remaining portion funded by revenue generated from leasing some of our parking space to the City of Fort Worth during the annual Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo (during non-business hours).

This is the first significant fee increase of all parking fees since 2007.

Who determined the new fees?

The new fee schedule was created by a task force with members from the President's Built Environment Council, the President's Finance and Budget Council, UNTHSC Police and the Campus Master Plan group. They gathered extensive input from faculty, staff and students during the master planning process.

UPDATED!

What changes have been made to parking in Garage 4 and Lot 6?

- Garage 4 and Lot 6 have been designated as "premium" parking facilities, and they
 have the highest rates. Neither of these facilities will be oversold, and these permit
 holders can be assured a parking spot will always be available in the facility they
 choose.
 - Every campus community member will be able to purchase permits for Lot 6 on a first-come, first-served basis, including current permit holders.
 - Every campus community member will be able to purchase permits for Garage 4 on a first-come, first-served basis, but permit sales for Garage 4 will open to faculty members 72 hours before opening to staff and students.
 - Waiting lists for "premium" parking facilities will be established as needed through the parking software system.

What other changes have been made to the fees?

- Garage parking will cost about one-third more than surface-lot parking. Garage
 parking facilities cost more than surface lots, and they provide the benefit of
 additional protection from the elements. Most universities reflect this in their
 parking fees.
- All fees have been increased to help finance new parking facilities related to projected growth in all our programs.

NEW!

If I purchase a 2018-2019 premium parking permit for Garage 4 or Lot 6, will I be able to keep the premium permit for 2019-2020?

After this year, all premium parking permits will continue to be sold on a first-come, first-served basis at the beginning of each annual parking permit cycle. Faculty will have a 72-hour advance purchase period for Garage 4 at the beginning of every parking permit cycle.

How do our fees compare with similar organizations?

- Our rates still are among the lowest in the state; please see this comparison.
- Most organizations charge 50 percent more for garage vs. surface parking; we are charging about one-third more.

NEW!

If I buy a permit for Lot 6 or a surface lot permit, will I be able to park in any of the parking garages?

Lot 6 permit holders will be able to park in a garage (except for Garage 4). Surface lot permit holders will not be able to park in a garage.

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If I buy a permit for garage parking, will I still be able to park in a surface lot?

Yes.

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What if I buy a surface lot permit, and there are no surface lot spaces available?

We did encounter this during the spring when we had a number of construction contractors on campus. However, the Parking Office is better managing contractor parking. The Parking Office will be monitoring the sale of permits to mitigate this situation.

How does the availability of parking at UNTHSC compare with others?

The industry standard is to have parking available for 36 percent of the user population at any given time. We have enough spaces for 46 percent at any given time, more than the industry standard.

Is parking available at any remote lots?

UNTHSC will not be selling permits to any remote parking lots. Most of these lots either exclude parking during the Fort Worth Stock Show or cost \$50 per space per month (or more).

NEW!

Is it still possible to park in the Will Rogers Parking Lot?

Yes, but UNTHSC Parking Office does not sell permits for this lot. You may work directly with Standard Parking, which handles Will Rogers parking. Information is available here, but Standard Parking prefers you to contact Crissy Nunez or Victor Cavazos by phone at 817-392-2000 to make arrangements. Please note, you will be restricted from parking in that lot during the Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo and will need to make other parking arrangements during that time.

How much will vendors, contractors and others who are not UNTHSC employees pay?

They will pay \$800 per space annually.

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Will day passes be available?

Yes, at the current price of \$2 per day. Day passes may be purchased in unlimited quantities. In addition, the ParkMobile app is available.

When can I buy my parking permit?

We will begin selling 2018-2019 permits online in mid-August. Watch Daily News for details.

Can I pay my parking fee monthly if the entire amount is a hardship?

Monthly payroll deduction is still available for faculty and staff members.



With my accessibility hang tag or license plate, where can I use an accessible space -- does it need to be in the lot or garage that corresponds to my UNTHSC parking permit?

You may park in the accessible spaces that correspond to the lot or garage for your permit.

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Where can I find accessible parking near the CBH building?

The closest accessible parking to the CBH Building is in Garage 5.

What about the electric car charging stations? Do I need to purchase a permit for the lot or garage where a charging station is located?

Yes, you will need a permit for the lot or garage for where a charging station is located.

What improvements in the parking permit process are planned for the future?

This year, our parking stickers will include an RFID chip. In future years, you will be able to renew this permit without replacing your parking decal, saving the university significant processing and shipping costs.

When and where are the in-person Parking Information Sessions?

We will be hosting two brown bag information sessions (with drinks and dessert provided):

- Wednesday, June 6, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Everett Hall (RES 100)
- Wednesday, July 18, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., MET 109-111

No RSVPs are needed.

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May I purchase a second permit for my secondary vehicle?

Yes, the purchase cost will be \$5. This second permit will be an RFID hangtag.

Where can I send my questions?

Please email Parking@unthsc.edu.