



TCC SE MANSFIELD ISD  
**Early College High School at Timberview**

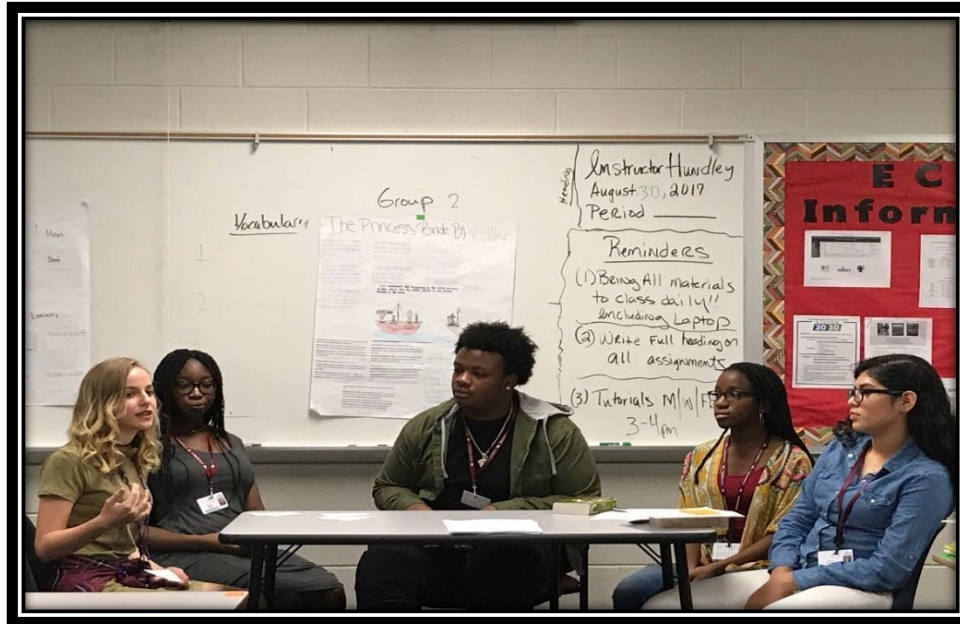
# #AREYOUUECHS

## Admission's Presentation

Families seeking entry for 2019-2020 school year.

# What is ECHS

Colleges courses in 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade



SUCCESS WITHIN REACH.

Upon graduation, early college high school students can earn their high school diploma and their associates degree (up to 60 college credit hours) free of charge.

*Transportation, tuition, textbooks and TCC testing fees waived*

# What we are really doing?



**WE ARE COMPOUNDING**

6 years of school

(4 high school + 2 college )

**INTO**

4 years of school

(high school + college)

# Where are we located?



**9<sup>TH</sup> and 10<sup>TH</sup> Grade Campus**  
Timberview High School

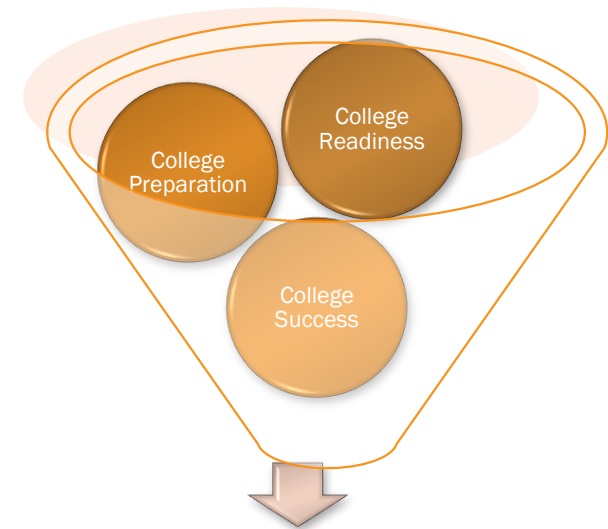


**11th and 12th Grade Campus**  
TCC Southeast Campus

\*Transportation is provided for  
all MISD learners

# How have we designed our school?

- ☞ College-Going Culture
- ☞ Up to 60 hours of TCC college credit at no cost
- ☞ Pre-AP and TCC college courses, no modified curriculum
- ☞ Small School – Family Environment
- ☞ Focus on college academic pursuit with minimal distractions
- ☞ Academic plan that focuses on earning an associate's degree
- ☞ Built in “study” periods
- ☞ Last two years of high school on community college campus



ECHS is an  
Accelerated Track to College

# What is the history of ECHS?

The ECHS model was introduced in 2006, and the number of ECHS programs in Texas increases yearly.

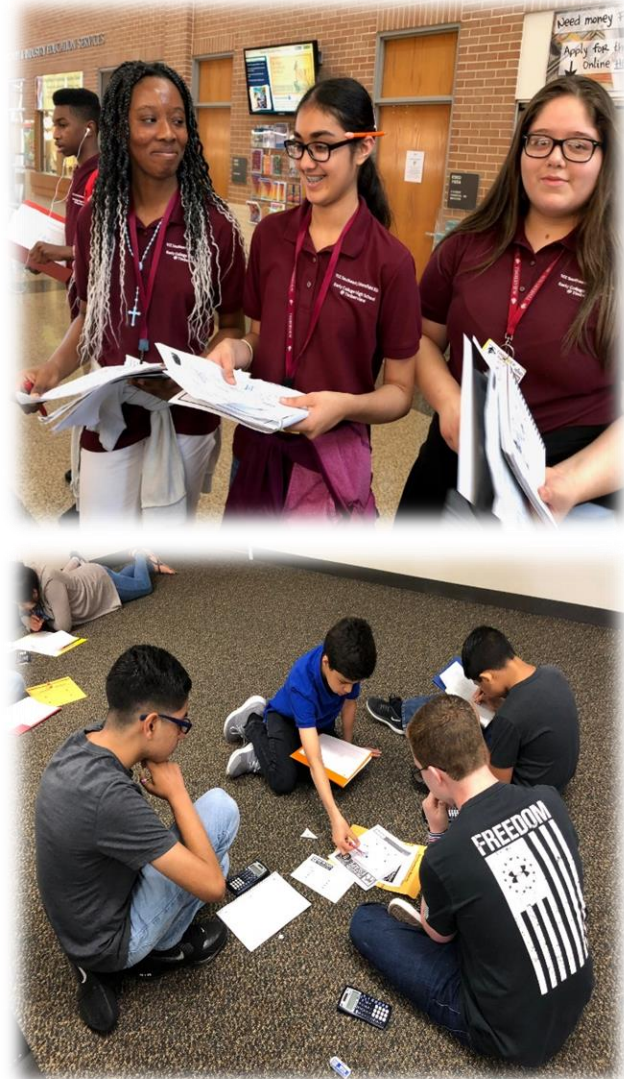
The reason is simple:

- + serious commitment
- + minimal distractions
- + small community
- + rigorous learning environment
- = high school graduates with brighter futures and prepared for a 4 year university/college

**Nearly 200 ECHS in Texas**



# What is a sample schedule for 9<sup>th</sup> Graders?



Mon/Wed	Tues/Thurs	Friday
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Advisory</li><li>2. *PAP Algebra I</li><li>3. AVID I</li><li>4. PAP ELA I</li><li>5. PAP Biology</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>6. Advisory</li><li>7. PAP Algebra I</li><li>8. College Prep</li><li>9. TCC Drama</li><li>10. W. Geography</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Study Hall</li><li>2. PAP Algebra</li><li>3. AVID I</li><li>4. PAP English I</li><li>5. PAP Biology</li><li>6. W. Geography</li><li>7. TCC College Study</li></ol>

School Day Begins: 7:25am

School Day Ends: 2:55pm

# Distinguished Level of Achievement – Required Credits

∞ English – 4.0

∞ Mathematics – 4.0

(Algebra II must be included)

∞ Science – 4.0

∞ Social Studies – 3.0

(4th credit recommended)

∞ Health – 0.5

∞ Professional

Communications– 0.5

Fine Arts – 1.0

Physical Education – 1.0

Foreign Language – 2.0

Endorsement– 4.0

Electives – 2.0

Total = 26 credits

Many high school requirements will be satisfied with college courses



# How to earn graduation requirements?

High School Requirement	Course Pathway & TCC Offerings
English - 4 credits	Eng I, Eng II, *TCC Eng III, *TCC Eng IV
Math - 4 credits	Alg I, Geom, Alg II, Precal, *TCC Precal, TCC Stat, TCC Cal
Science - 4 credits	Biology, Chemistry, Physics, TCC Bio, TCC Geo
Social Studies - 3 credits, 4 <sup>th</sup> recommended	World Geography, *TCC Sociology, *TCC Texas Government, *TCC US History, *TCC Economics, *TCC Federal Government
Health - 0.5 credit	*TCC Physical Fitness & Wellness
Speech - 0.5 credit	* TCC Intro to Public Speaking
Fine Arts - 1 credit	*Intro to Theater Arts
Physical Education - 1 credit	*TCC Kinesiology, 2 semesters) (Dance, Aerobics, Basketball, Conditioning, etc)
LOTE - 2 credits	Online LOTE, TCC LOTE
Endorsement - 4 credits	* TCC Courses (Multidisciplinary, STEM, Arts & Humanities)
Electives - 2 credits	*TCC Courses

# What is the Associate of Arts Degree?

<p><b><u>Composition</u></b> 6 credits <i>Comp I</i> <i>Comp II</i></p>	<p><b><u>Speech</u></b> 3 credits <i>Public Speaking</i></p>	<p><b><u>Mathematics</u></b> 3 credits <i>Depends on student major, program of study</i></p>	<p><b><u>Life/Physical Science</u></b> 8 credits <i>Depends on student major, program of study</i></p>
<p><b><u>Creative Arts</u></b> 3 credits <i>Intro to Theatre Arts</i></p>	<p><b><u>Language, Culture, Philosophy</u></b> 3 credits <i>British Literature</i></p>	<p><b><u>American History</u></b> 6 credits <i>US History I</i> <i>US History II</i></p>	<p><b><u>Government &amp; Political Science</u></b> 6 credits <i>Federal Govt.</i> <i>Texas Govt.</i></p>
<p><b><u>Social or Behavior Science</u></b> 3 credits <i>Macroeconomics</i></p>	<p><b><u>Health &amp; Wellness</u></b> 1 credit <i>Introduction to Physical Fitness</i></p>	<p><b><u>Electives</u></b> 18 credits <i>British Literature II</i> <i>College Transition</i> <i>Psychology</i> <i>Sociology</i> <i>Beginning Spanish I</i> <i>Beginning Spanish II</i></p>	<p><b><u>TOTAL</u></b> 60 credits</p>

# What exams will my student possibly take in High School?

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EOC  
English I

EOC  
English II

EOC  
Algebra I

EOC  
Biology

EOC  
US History

PSAT

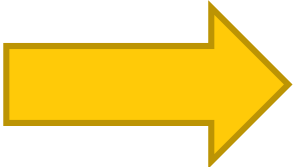
SAT/ACT

AP

# Do TCC credits transfer to any college?

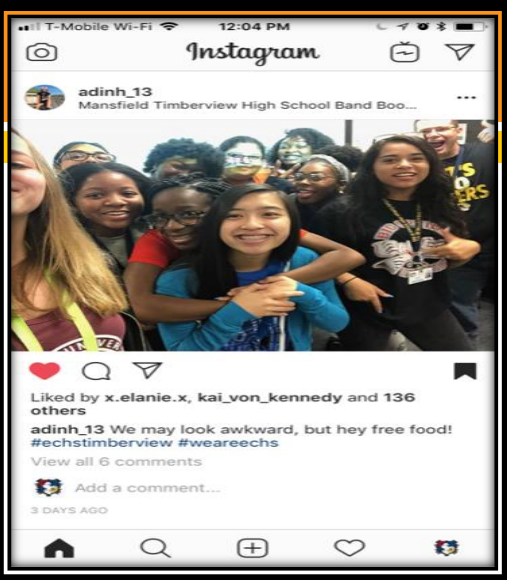
TCC college credit is transferrable to state four year college & universities in Texas and some out of state institutions.

Many Ivy League and selective universities may not accept Advanced Placement, dual enrollment and CLEP, but those universities want to know if a student was highly successful in the most rigorous courses offered at the high school. ie. AP or dual enrollment. These courses are a gateway to being admitted into selective colleges. Also these colleges may offer placement exams in the summer before a student's freshmen year.



**\*FAMILIES, MUST RESEARCH THE  
TRANSFER ELIGIBILITY OF TCC CLASSES  
PRIOR TO APPLICATION. THIS IS A  
FAMILY RESPONSIBILITY!**

# WHAT IS AN ECHS STUDENT?



Academic  
Potential

Resilient

Problem  
Solver

Risk Taker

College  
Focus

Hardworker

Innovative

Mature

Passionate  
Learner



# Understands the benefit



# What makes a good student candidate?

GOOD CANDIDATES FOR ECHS ARE STUDENTS WHO MEET ONE OR MORE AREAS:

- ∞ WORK HARD AND HAVE A GOOD ATTITUDE
- ∞ May need extra support to accelerate learning
- ∞ Have a good discipline and attendance record
- ∞ Are mature enough to work well with others
- ∞ May be experiencing challenges that prevent them from making a smooth transition into college
- ∞ Immense focus to pursue college and career earlier
- ∞ Desires to attend and are not being forced to attend
- ∞ Are willing to give up participation in school sponsored athletics or fine arts (ECHS has no athletic teams or fine arts programs we do have student clubs and organizations)

# WHO ECHS IS FOR?

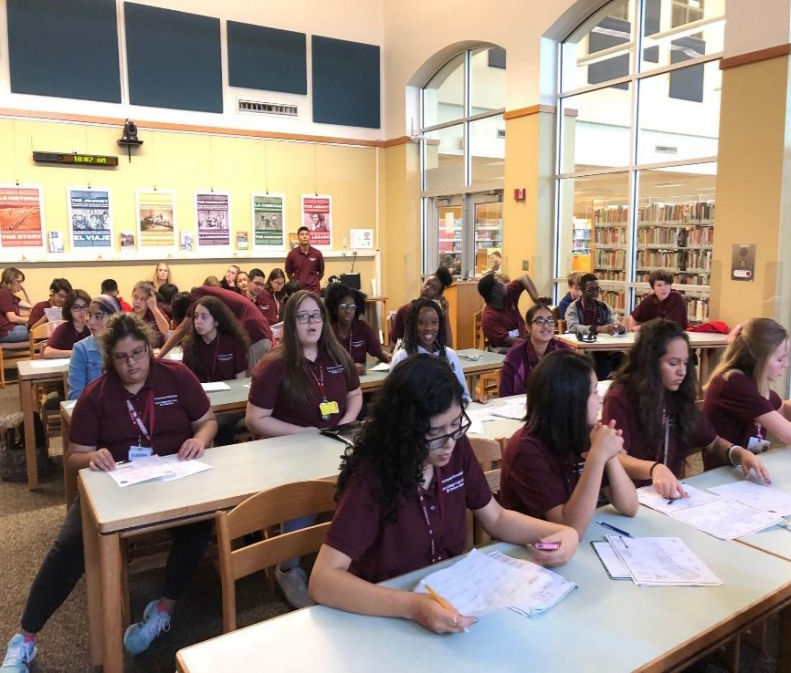
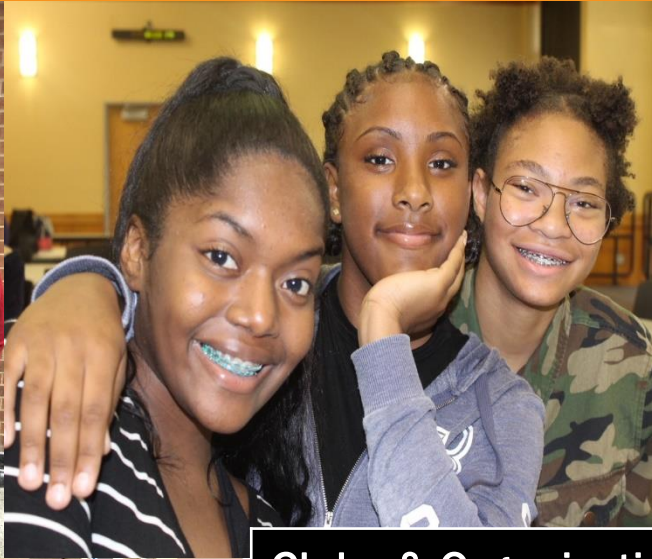
- ∞ All current 8<sup>th</sup> grade students with interest are encouraged to apply
- ∞ ALL students interested in the demand of advanced high school classes and college classes should apply.

# Again, who is ECHS for?

...the motivated student

We are here to **INSPIRE** average, underachieving and well-prepared high school students to work hard and stretch themselves intellectually. **But learners must WANT to be here. This cannot be a forced option.**

# What Clubs & Organization do we have?



## Clubs & Organizations

Student Council  
Fashion & Art Club  
Spoken Word  
AVID Club  
Christian Club  
Gaming Club  
National Honor Society  
UIL Academics  
Breakfast Club

Muslim Student Association  
Key Club  
Drama Club  
Maroon Platoon  
Girl Power  
Zombie Apocalypse  
TCC Clubs & Organization



# What type of teenager “things” will students be able to participate in?

☞ Prom

☞ THS Pep Rallies

☞ MISD Football Games

☞ Graduation

☞ Clubs & Organization

☞ College Field Trips

☞ Community Service

☞ Making Friends

☞ Traveling

☞ Lunch with THS & ECHS students





# High School & College Standards

Our high school standards	College standards
Attendance – 90% rule	Instructor Discretion – drop student at any time
Behavior – HS teachers can manage students. Schools can suspend.	Behavior – College instructors do not have to manage. They will remove students from class.
Will teach note taking for success - AVID	Must know how to take notes
Grading: A – F percentage	Grading: up to professor ie. percentage, points
Teachers teach and break down information	College instructors give information. Students must teach information to self.
Tutorial Hours	Conference Time
Parent can reach out to teacher	Student must reach out to professor
Teacher <u>encourages</u> learning and accountability and will teach what that looks like.	Professors expect learning and accountability, but will not teach what that looks like.
HS provide structure, discipline and reminders	College provides freedom and independence because it is assumed that students can discipline self.

# WHAT WILL MY CHILD EXPECT?

- ✎ No cost to tuition or textbooks for TCC courses taken the first time.
- ✎ College advisement
- ✎ AVID class
- ✎ Rigorous instruction and accelerated courses
- ✎ Small school "feel"
- ✎ Content experts: teachers and college instructors
- ✎ Clubs organizations
- ✎ Study nightly (2 – 3 hours)
- ✎ Laptop
- ✎ Resources to think and act as a college student

# Family Commitment

Organization

Encouragement

Attendance

Parent visibility  
& engagement

Place to  
study



Monitor Grades

# Can a student be removed from ECHS?

- ☞ Students accepted into the program must adhere to the attendance, grade and discipline policies set in place by MISD and TCC. The ECHS encourages a safe and collaborative community of learners.

## The following may result in removal from ECHS:

- ☞ Excessive absences
- ☞ Reoccurring failing grades
- ☞ Disruptive behavior

## Student Withdrawal

Families who do not want to be apart of the school can also withdrawal from school with an exit conference by the end of the semester or before the 90% attendance rule takes an effect.

# What's the difference between ECHS and other schools?

## Traditional School

- ✎ UIL Athletics & UIL Fine arts
- ✎ Traditional, Advanced Classes and Ben Barber option
- ✎ Can earn 24 - 48 hours of college credit. Pay \$65 a class after sophomore year
- ✎ Larger school environment
- ✎ Student select courses based on career and extra-curricular involvement

## ECHS

- ✎ No participation in UIL Athletics & UIL Fine Arts
- ✎ Pre-AP, AP, College courses with accelerated track.  
No modified curriculum
- ✎ Earn up to 60 hours, earn an associate's degree with free tuition, books and testing fees.
- ✎ Smaller school
- ✎ Everyone take AVID
- ✎ Associate's degree pathway dictates our courses



# What is the Value of an ECHS Education?

Students can graduate with up to 60 hours of college credit for FREE, possibly earning an *Associate's degree*

# How much does TCC cost?

## Minimum Cost for Traditional TCC Student

Price per credit hour:@60.00 = 3,600.00

Books:@150.00 = 3,150.00

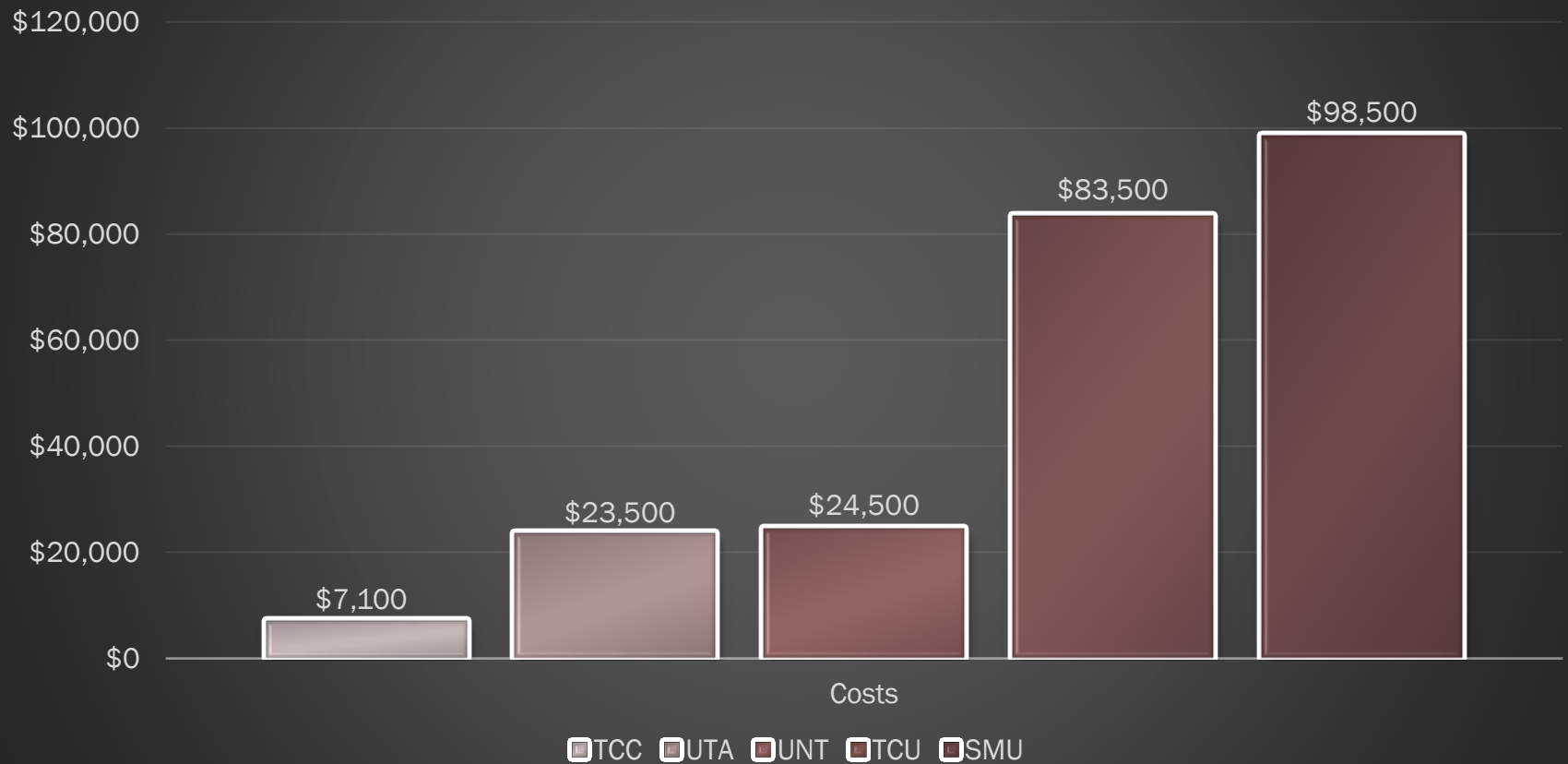
Food and transport = Varies

Fees (testing, lab, etc...) = 350.00

**Total amount for TCC Associate Degree to the public  
= \$7,100.00**

# The Value of An ECHS Education

## Comparison of 60 hours of college credit



# General Application Information

- No attendance boundaries; open to learners within MISD district boundaries or who are attending MISD schools

## Opened Fall 2017

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Year 1 - 2017-2018: 75 9<sup>th</sup> graders

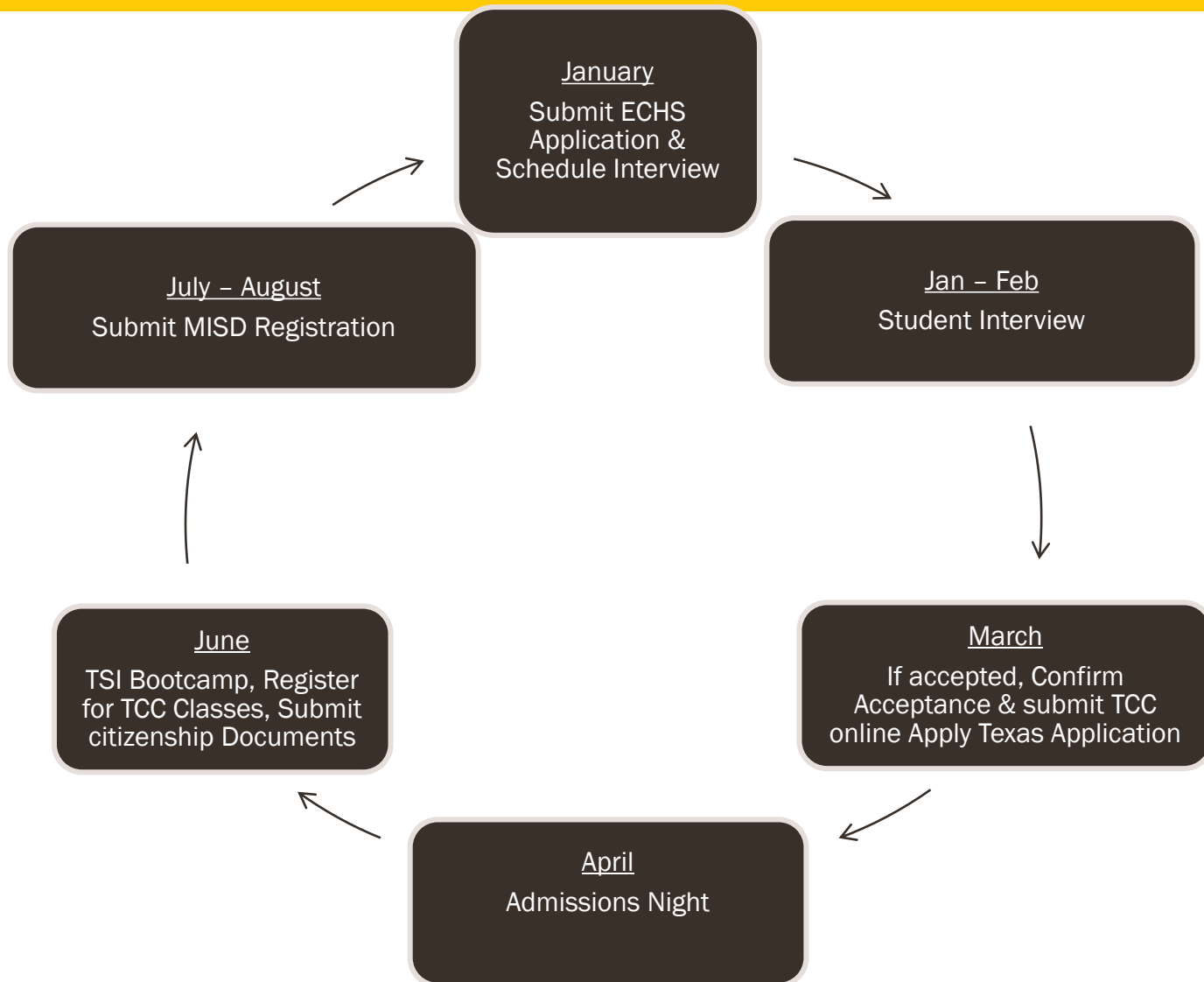
Year 2 - 2018-2019 9<sup>th</sup> graders  
10<sup>th</sup> graders

Year 3 - 2019-2020 9<sup>th</sup> graders  
10<sup>th</sup> graders  
11<sup>th</sup> graders

Year 4 - 2020 - 2021 9<sup>th</sup> graders  
10<sup>th</sup> graders  
11<sup>th</sup> graders  
12<sup>th</sup> graders

- 300 – 400 student capacity; 9-12 grade students
- Arrival and dismissal times may follow MISD high school hours
- Academic calendar will share MISD and TCC dates
- Transportation will be provided to and from ECHS

# What's the Admission Process?





# What's on the Application?

## Application Sections:

- ☞ General Student & Parent Information
- ☞ 4 Short responses for student
- ☞ 1 Student essay
- ☞ Student Agreement of Understanding
- ☞ Parent Agreement of Understanding
- ☞ 1 Parent response

# Application Process

There are two rounds of the application process

- ⌘ **Round 1:** Review Completed Applications \**Must be complete*
- ⌘ **Round 2:** Parent & Student Interviews @ ECHS
- ⌘ Applicants move to digital lottery system to select 100 candidates.

# Where and when do I submit application?

Submit complete [online](#) application  
or submit paper application to:

MISD Student Services office  
609. E. Broad Street  
Mansfield TX 76063

**Application Open:** November 26, 2018

**Application Deadline:** January 11, 2018  
by 4:30pm

# What am I agreeing to as an ECHS family?

- ☞ I believe I am able to complete the Associate's Degree plan offered at the Early College High School and have researched the transferability of the Texas Core Curriculum to the college and/or university of my choice.
- ☞ I understand that we offer Pre-AP and TCC courses. We do not offer a SpED modified curriculum.
- ☞ I understand that ECHS is a small learning community looking for mature students who will lead and contribute to building the collegiate culture of the school.
- ☞ I will maintain high academic and behavior standards and understand that failing courses or exhibiting behavior that jeopardizes the learning environment could result in removal from the ECHS.
- ☞ I understand that I am enrolling into an AVID school-wide site and will abide by the expectations of the AVID program.
- ☞ I agree to maintain academic integrity by not cheating, plagiarizing, or using anyone else's work as my own.
- ☞ I understand I must turn in all assignments on time and monitor grades and attendance.
- ☞ I understand that college courses are graded differently than high school courses and will read course syllabi.
- ☞ I understand that I will need to update my parent(s) on my college grades.
- ☞ I understand that I will have access to tutorials and study labs, but I may be subject to mandatory tutorials if class grades or exam scores show need for improvement.
- ☞ I understand I am to attend an orientation with my parent or guardian.
- ☞ I will not be able to compete in UIL Athletics and UIL Fine Arts, but will have access to ECHS, Timberview and TCC extracurricular activities.
- ☞ I will exhibit the following character traits: trustworthiness, respect, fairness, honesty, caring and citizenship.
- ☞ I understand that the TCC/MISD Early College High School will operate on both the MISD calendar and the TCC calendar.
- ☞ I understand that I must devote a minimum of two hours each evening to homework and studying.
- ☞ I understand that I will be afforded an opportunity to complete the MISD and Tarrant County College requirements to earn both a high school diploma and two-year associate's degree or transferable credits.
- ☞ I agree to attend a summer bridge program and understand that any absences during this program could result in removal from the ECHS.
- ☞ I agree to handle the freedoms and scheduling of a college setting, understanding that my presence on the college campus is a privilege, not a right.
- ☞ I understand I must follow all rules and regulations established by the MISD, TCC and the ECHS.

# What is the Application and Recruitment Timeline?

Dates	Events
Nov 26 – Jan 1	ECHS Application Window
Jan 11 by 4:30pm	ECHS Application Deadline
Jan – Feb	Parent & Student Interview Window @ ECHS
March 8	Notify applicants of status by this date
April 3	*ECHS Admission's Night
June	Summer Bridge - Bootcamp

- \* ECHS Admission's Night: Orientation and TCC Apply Texas application
- Summer Bridge – TSI Bootcamp – Texas Success Initiative – college readiness placement exam preparation and first time assessment



**Mission** To inspire and educate students to be productive citizens.

A destination district committed to excellence. **Vision**

**Values**

- Students First
- Continuous Improvement
- Integrity
- Communication
- Positive Relationships
- Resiliency

**Motto** MISD: A great place to live, learn, and teach.

**Guiding Statements**

1. Students will read on level or higher by the beginning of third grade and will remain on level or higher as an MISD student.
2. Students will demonstrate mastery of Algebra I by the end of ninth grade.
3. Students will graduate with 24+ college hours and/or industry certification or a certificate.
4. Students will participate in an extra or co-curricular activity.
5. Our parents and students will have choices with educational opportunities.

2. Exceed mastery of Algebra I with TSI Math and College Math

3. Earn up to 60 hours of college credit

4. Can participate in ECHS, TCC and Timberview clubs

5. Can select dual credit courses that cover core and career electives

# ECHS Contact

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