



# Early College High School

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2020-2021 Profile

*Transforming Dreams into Realities*

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## National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence

• **2020**



• **2014**

### ACCOLADES

2X National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence for Exemplary High Performance

99 (2019) – TEA Accountability rating;  
97 (2018) rating

~82% earn Associates degrees

1105 Campus SAT Test score average with all 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> graders taking the exam (171)

2020 Horatio Alger Scholar

2018 National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholar

40 hours of community service required prior to graduation

100% HS grad rate for the past five years

## ECCHS Designation in 2006

In 2006, Early College High School was one of fifteen Texas public schools designated as a model early college high school established in the Texas High School Project. A memorandum of understanding between Brookhaven College and the Carrollton Farmers Branch ISD provided a pathway for students to earn an associate degree and a high school diploma free of charge. ECCHS is a four-year public high school enrolling 345 students in grades 9–12. Texas Education Agency guidelines for early college high schools stipulate the campus must serve At-Risk’ students who are first generation college attenders and who come from families with limited economic resources.

## Academic Success Pillars

The four pillars for ECCHS academic success are 1) a campus-wide focus on literacy and critical thinking, 2) an AVID school-wide curriculum, 3) strong parent and community partnerships, and 4) a commitment to serve others. All teachers focus on the development of student literacy.

The AVID school-wide four-year program focuses heavily on college readiness. In this class students complete college applications, learn how to take notes, use metacognition and self-reflections to draft formal tutorial requests for help, collaborate daily with 6-7 classmates to complete core subject assignments, complete FAFSA/TAFSA and ApplyTexas government forms, and polish scholarship essays. Over the past three years, scholarship awards have skyrocketed from \$5.3 million to \$8.6 million.

Every year 100% of graduating seniors earn a College and Career Military Readiness (CCMR) designation simply because they take at least three college courses directly from Brookhaven College, the site of the high school campus. Three courses earn them nine credits. Typically, the first nine credits come from the Health, Art, a foreign language or a Business Integrated Management courses (learn the Microsoft Suite). Approximately 80% of the graduating class graduate with either an Associates of Arts or an Associates of Science degree. For the 20% that do not receive the college diploma they still walk out of the high school experience with at least nine college credits.

### Career Internships and Industry Certifications:

Brookhaven Campus Activities Board (paid)

College mNiTERN program

Patient Care Technician Program

Phlebotomy, EKG and Clinical Nurse Aide (clinical component)

### Graduation Credits (26) (Foundation Plan plus Endorsements)

4 credits English	4 credits Mathematics
4 credits Science	4 credits Social Studies
1 credit PE	1 credit Fine Arts
5.5 credits in Electives	.5 credit Health
2 credits World Language or Computer Programming	

