

Clear Horizons Early College High School

Guidance & Counseling

2020-2021

Clear Horizons' Mission Statement

The mission of Clear Horizons, the premier Early College High School in the state of Texas, is to equip all students for post-secondary success with an associate degree and to embolden all students to be contributing members of society by offering an advanced academic environment, individualized instruction, personal accountability, meaningful relationships, and service learning, while celebrating diversity.



Rising to the challenges of tomorrow, today.

Guidance & Counseling Team

9th & 10th Grade

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Student Guidance and Counseling Services

We are committed to providing our students with a comprehensive guidance and counseling program to include:

Guidance curriculum to assist students with the development of essential core values and self-management/social skills needed to enhance their personal-social, educational, and career growth. Topics included are:

- Bullying Prevention
- Character Education/CCISD Core Values
- Personal Safety
- Cultural Diversity
- Healthy Relationships/Dating Violence
- Drug and Alcohol Awareness
- Suicide Prevention
- Youth Mental Health

Responsive services to intervene on behalf of those students whose immediate personal concerns or problems put their continued personal-social, career, and/or educational development at risk.

Individual planning to guide all students as they plan, monitor, and manage their own educational, career, and personal-social development.

System support to link faculty, staff, and community members in our education programming and school improvement planning.

Personal Counseling

The school counselor is available to assist students with a wide range of personal concerns, including but not limited to areas such as social and emotional needs, mental health issues, family or peer concerns, or substance abuse. A student who wishes to meet with the school counselor should request to visit the school counselor's office. As a parent, if you are concerned about your student's mental or emotional health, please speak with the school counselor. The school counselor can provide you with a list of community resources that may be available to provide additional support for your student.

Student Support Groups

In order to meet the personal needs of students, school counselors may offer support groups on a recurring basis. If a parent/guardian does not want their student to participate in a support group, written documentation of denial of services will need to be provided to the school counselor.

Virtual Counseling

Virtual counseling support may occur throughout the school year with Clear Connections or during an intermittent school to home closure. Virtual counseling supports may include itslearning messaging/chat, video conferencing, guidance lessons, in coordination with your student's teacher, or support groups via Teams, etc.. If a counselor wants to schedule a Teams meeting with a student, the counselor will first contact the parent to gain permission as well as review the limits of confidentiality.

Our first priority is our students. We readily make ourselves available to students in need of guidance and counseling throughout the school day. To ensure all students are well-served with the time and attention they deserve, we ask that parents/guardians make an appointment with their student's counselor to allow adequate scheduling and preparation.

Each member of the CHECHS Guidance and Counseling Team is certified by the Texas State Board for Educator Certification as a School Counselor.

<http://www.tea.state.tx.us/>

Clear Connection Students

Students participating in Clear Connections can reach out to their counselors via email, itslearning, or 'Request to See Counselor,' online form. Microsoft Teams meetings can be arranged between the students and their counselor. Parents are also encouraged to reach out to the counselors via email or by phone to speak to their student's counselor for any assistance.

Planning for High School and Beyond

We are committed to our Superintendent’s goal of ensuring that every student has a post secondary plan leading to college or a career.

Plan to attend these district sponsored events with your student.

- **Financial Aid Night**
September 30, 2020
Virtual Event
- **College & Career Fair**
November 18, 2020
Virtual Event

CCISD/CHECHS in partnership with San Jacinto College South provides over 130 dual credit courses where students can earn an associate’s degree while earning their high school diploma. College electives provide opportunities for students to explore career pathways in preparation for a four-year degree.

You can find more information about the CHECHS Guidance and Counseling

Program on our webpage at CHECHS.ccisd.net as well as the district Student Personnel Services webpage:

www.ccisd.net/departments/guidance_and_counseling



Getting Connected with Naviance

CCISD is pleased to provide *Naviance Student*, a web-based service designed especially for students and parents. *Naviance* offers a comprehensive website that you and your student can use to help in making decisions about courses, colleges, and careers.

student.naviance.com/clearhorizons

Use your *Naviance* account to:
-View and manage your high school course planning.

-Prepare for the ACT/SAT test with free test preparation provided by Method Test Prep.

-Research colleges and universities, sign up for visits with college reps in the CHECHS Counseling Center, and explore scholarship opportunities.

-Investigate career interests and options using the Personality Inventory and Career Interest Profiler.

-Update your profile, including your parents’ or guardians’ email address so parents/guardians can have their own account.

For more information or assistance with your Naviance Account, please contact Judith Sutphin at jsutphin@ccisd.net.

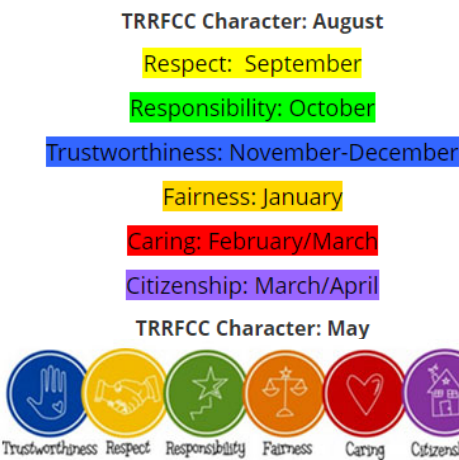
Note that you and your student will have separate accounts.

CCISD Core Values

CCISD has six core values, or standards of behavior, that we have adopted from the Character Counts 6 Pillars. Clear Horizons integrates these core values daily into their school community, not only modeling but teaching students how to demonstrate these values. The CCISD core values are:

- Trustworthiness** – Act with honesty in all that you do
- Respect** – Value yourself and others
- Responsibility** – Own your choices
- Fairness** – Play by the rules and consider the needs of others
- Caring** – Be kind to others
- Citizenship** – Work to improve your school, community, and country

CCISD Core Values Timeline, 2020-2021



Stay Connected with these Helpful Links

- Clear Creek ISD**
ccisd.net
- Clear Horizons ECHS**
CHECHS.ccisd.net
- ACT**
actstudent.org
- Apply Texas**
applytexas.org
- College Board (SAT, PSAT & AP Exams)**
collegeboard.org
- The Common Application**
commonapp.org
- FAFSA**
fafsa.ed.gov
- Naviance Family Connection**
student.naviance.com/clearhorizons
- NCAA**
<https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/>
- CCISD Guidance & Counseling**
ccisd.net/departments/guidance_and_counseling
- FastWeb**
Fastweb.com
- Texas Vertan’s Commission**
tvc.texas.gov/Hazelwood-Act.aspx

