



Road Map to Success: High School/College Planning

GRADUATION PLANS

Foundation + Endorsements 24 Credits

English	4
Math	3
Social Studies	4
Science	3
Foreign Language	2
Fine Arts	1
Speech	0.5
Electives	5.5
PE	1

⊛ STAAR (End Of Course) Complete

⊛ 1 Endorsement (Recommended)

Distinguished Level of Achievement

27 credits + Other District Requirements

English	4
Math*	4
Social Studies	4
Science	4
Foreign Language	3
Fine Arts	1
Speech	0.5
Electives	5.5
PE	1

⊛ STAAR (End Of Course) Complete

⊛ 1 Endorsement (Required)

⊛ Performance Acknowledgment (Recommended)

*Must Include an Advanced Math Course

Distinguished Level of Achievement with Collegiate Honors

28 credits + Other District Requirements

English	4	Fine Arts	1
Math*	4	Speech	0.5
Social Studies	4	Electives	6.5
Science	4	PE	1
Foreign Language	3	College Hours	42+

⊛ STAAR (End Of Course) Complete

⊛ 1 Endorsement (Required)

⊛ Performance Acknowledgment (Required)

*Must Include an Advanced Math Course

ENDORSEMENTS/CAREER PROGRAMS

- STEM
- Public Services
- Multidisciplinary
- Business & Industry
- Arts & Humanities

CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

- STC Associates
- STC Certificates
- High School Programs of Study
- Opportunity to earn Industry Based Certifications

PERFORMANCE ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

- Outstanding Performance Dual Credit Courses (12 hrs. College Credit with a B+)
- Bilingualism and Biliteracy (See TEA Requirements)
- Outstanding Performance on College Board AP (3+)
- Outstanding Performance on PSAT, PreACT, ACT, SAT (Meets Benchmarks)
- Nationally or internationally recognized business or industry certification or license

TESTING DATES FOR 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

State Testing <https://tea.texas.gov/student-assessment/testing/student-assessment-testing-calendar-24-25.pdf>
STAAR (End Of Course) Testing Dates*

TEST	FALL 2024	SPRING 2025	SUMMER 2025
Algebra I	Dec. 3-13, 2024	April 22-May 2, 2025	June 17-27, 2025
Biology	Dec. 3-13, 2024	April 15-25, 2025	June 17-27, 2025
English I	Dec. 3-13, 2024	April 8-18, 2025	June 17-27, 2025
English II	Dec. 3-13, 2024	April 8-18, 2025	June 17-27, 2025
US History	Dec. 3-13, 2024	April 15-25, 2025	June 17-27, 2025

*Dates subject to change

SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE

Student Enrollment Process Requirements

1. **Decide** - Choose a major that aligns with your high school endorsement.
2. **Apply** - Complete the online application for Admission to South Texas College at www.goapplytexas.org
3. **Qualify** - You may be exempt based on ACT, SAT or PSAT scores, or you can qualify with TSI and STAAR EOC.

TSIA 2.0 Assessment	
ELAR	CRC \geq 945 AND Essay \geq 5 OR CRC $<$ 945 AND Diagnostic Level \geq 5 AND Essay \geq 5
Math	CRC \geq 950 OR CRC $<$ 950 AND Diagnostic Level = 6
STAAR (Level 1 End of Course Exam)	
Algebra I	4000 & passing score in Algebra 2 high school course
English II	4000

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY

Admissions Criteria

1. Be classified as a Junior or Senior in High School
2. Graduating under the Foundation with Endorsement or Distinguished Plan
3. Meet one of the following requirements:
 - Ranked top 10% OR
 - Have a 90 GPA or higher OR
 - Composite score of ACT-22 or SAT-1030 (CR&M)
 - Students can only enroll in Core Curriculum courses (some require pre-requisites)

ASSOCIATE DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

South Texas College offers 120+ degree and certificate program options.

Find them at <https://catalog.southtexascollege.edu/programs/>

Fields of Study Available

School of Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM)

- Biology Academy
- Computer Science Academy
- Cybersecurity Academy
- Electrician Assistant Technology Academy
- Mathematics Academy
- Renewable Energy Academy
- Veterinary Technician Academy

School of Business & Industry

- Automotive Maintenance & Light Repair Academy
- Carpentry Academy
- Culinary Arts Academy
- Diesel Technology Academy
- Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, & Refrigeration Technology (HVAC) Technology Academy
- Plumbing & Pipefitting Academy
- Real Estate Academy
- Welding Technology Academy

School of Public Service & Health Services

- Criminal Justice Academy
- Cosmetology Academy
- Dental Assistant Academy
- Education Academy
- EKG Technician Academy
- Emergency Medical Technology (EMT) Academy
- Fire Science Technology Academy
- Nurses Aide Academy
- Pharmacy Technician Academy
- Phlebotomy Technician Academy

School of Arts & Humanities

- Graphic Arts Academy

For more detailed information, please contact your campus counselor or the Counseling & Guidance Department at 956.354.2088