District Goal 3 "Empower all students to identify post-secondary pathways..."

Tivy Early College High School Update

December 2024

Purpose

- Tivy Early College High School operates as a school within a school model.
- The primary purpose is to provide students the opportunity to earn up to 60 hours of college credit, free of charge, while attending high school.
- Any student interested is encouraged to apply for Tivy ECHS.

TIVY EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

ALAMO COLLEGES DISTRICT
Northwest Vista College

Program Highlights

Tivy's ECHS is an educational partnership between Kerrville ISD and Northwest Vista College.

- Students can earn up to 60 hours of college credits that also satisfy high school graduation requirements.

- There is no cost to the families or student enrolled in Tivy ECHS.

- Tivy ECHS students can earn an associate degree while earning their high school diploma.

- Students must meet college-readiness standards to take junior level and beyond dual credit courses.

- Tivy ECHS students are provided college support services, including college advising and career counseling
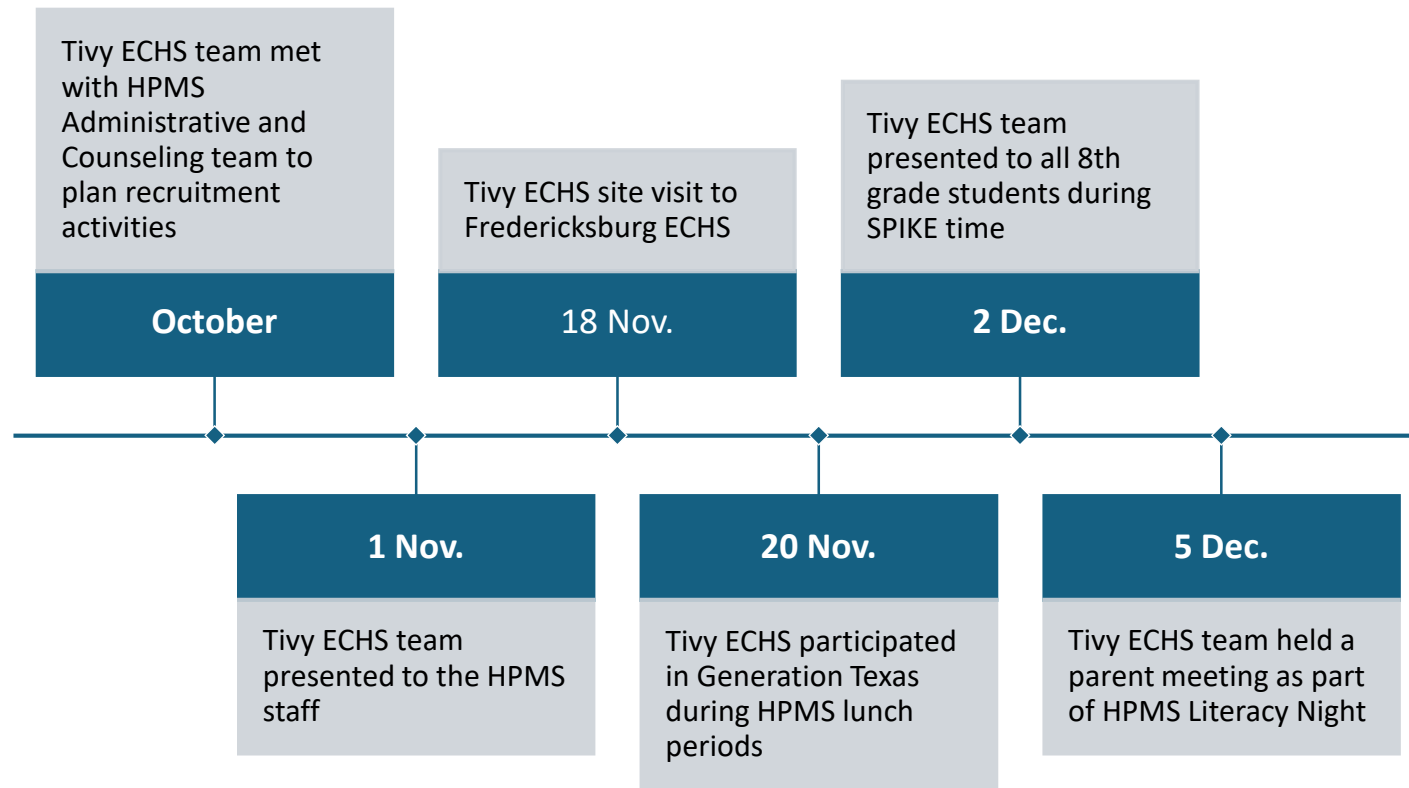
Eligibility

Tivy ECHS is available to any student entering the 9th grade in the upcoming school year that meets the criteria listed below.

- The student must have a desire to be a part of the ECHS program.

- The student's parent and/or guardian must want their child to be a part of the ECHS program.

- Both the parent/guardian and the student must agree to abide by the standards of academic and behavioral expectations of Tivy ECHS.

- Both parent/guardian and student must agree that the ultimate goal is to graduate from Tivy ECHS with college credits as individually planned.

- The student must complete an application to attend Tivy ECHS and meet all deadlines set forth by both Northwest Vista and Tivy ECHS for admissions.
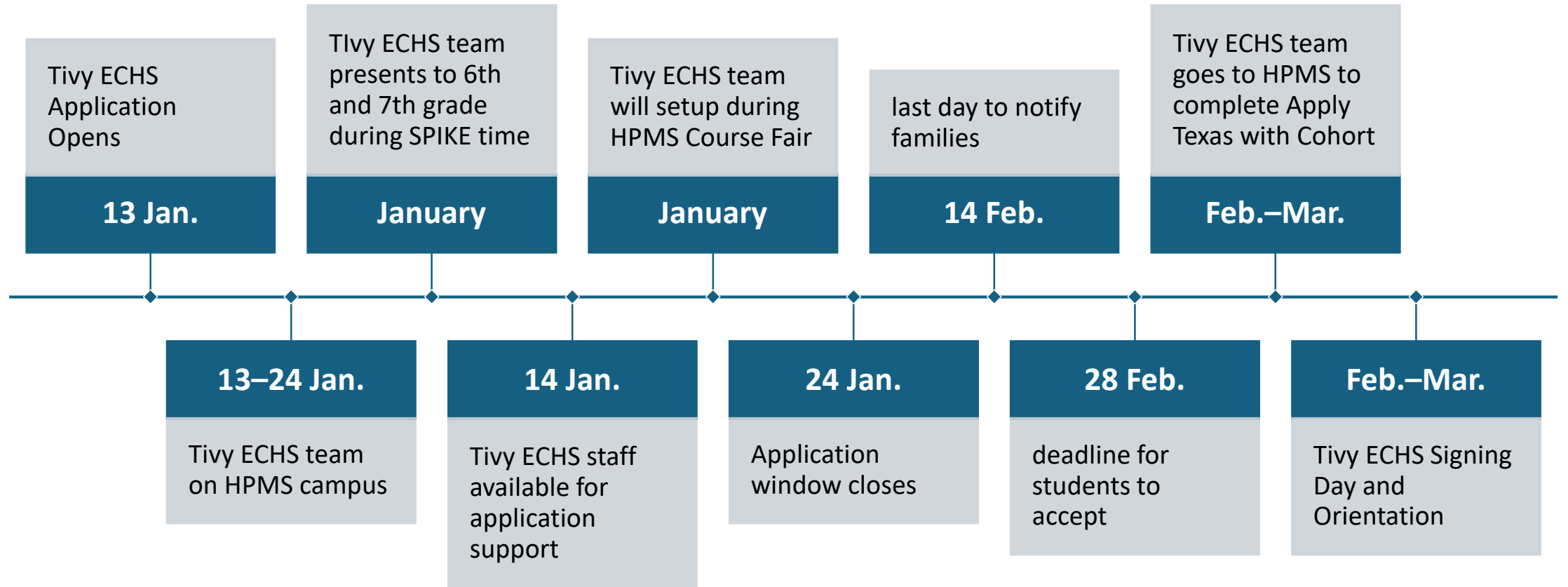
  *In accordance with Texas Education Agency, academics, discipline, state assessments and/or teacher recommendations cannot be considered in the selection process.

Recruitment Events

Tivy ECHS team met with HPMS Administrative and Counseling team to plan recruitment activities

October

Tivy ECHS site visit to Fredericksburg ECHS

18 Nov.

Tivy ECHS team presented to all 8th grade students during SPIKE time

2 Dec.

1 Nov.

Tivy ECHS team presented to the HPMS staff

20 Nov.

Tivy ECHS participated in Generation Texas during HPMS lunch periods

5 Dec.

Tivy ECHS team held a parent meeting as part of HPMS Literacy Night

Upcoming Events

13 Jan.	January	January	14 Feb.	Feb.–Mar.
Tivy ECHS Application Opens	TIvy ECHS team presents to 6th and 7th grade during SPIKE time	Tivy ECHS team will setup during HPMS Course Fair	last day to notify families	Tivy ECHS team goes to HPMS to complete Apply Texas with Cohort

13–24 Jan.	14 Jan.	24 Jan.	28 Feb.	Feb.–Mar.
Tivy ECHS team on HPMS campus	Tivy ECHS staff available for application support	Application window closes	deadline for students to accept	Tivy ECHS Signing Day and Orientation

Application Process

- The student and parent/guardian will attend an informational session held at HPMS to gain an understanding of the Tivy ECHS expectations and benefits to the student.

- Student will submit a completed Tivy ECHS application for the 2025-2026 school year.

- The Tivy ECHS selection committee will blindly review all applications for completeness. "Blindly" is defined as all identifying information is hidden from the selection committee.

- Complete applications that meet all requirements are placed in a weighted lottery pool if needed, based upon the number of applicants. Students are chosen by a computer-generated process to become a member of the future Tivy ECHS cohort

- Selected applicants and their families are notified by the administration of Tivy Early College High School within two weeks of the selection process.

- Parents/Guardians have up to two weeks to notify the Tivy ECHS administration of acceptance or denial to enter into the Tivy ECHS cohort.

- If it becomes necessary, a waitlist will be in place to fill vacancies.

Selection and Lottery Process

- Fall 2025 Cohort enrollment goal- 10% of 8th grade class (35 students)

- Admission is based on a computer-generated selection process. Students will be given the following weights based on the criteria below. For each qualification, the student's name will be added to the lottery. For example, if a student qualifies in one area, their name will be added one more time. If a student qualifies in two areas, their name will be added two additional times.

- First Generation College Students

- At Risk

- Economically Disadvantaged

- Children of district employees

NINTH GRADE

9th Grade Course Sequence

FALL	SPRING	THS	NWV
English 1	English 1	1	
Algebra 1 or Geometry	Algebra 1 or Geometry	1	
Biology	Biology	1	
World Geography	World Geography	1	
Spanish 1 or 2	Spanish 1 or 2	1	
Elective	Elective	1	
EDUC 1300- Learning Framework	SPCH 1315- Public Speaking	.5/.5	6

Opening Fall 2025

Questions?