

Early College High School

Admission Policy

Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Independent School District Early College High Schools (ECHS) vision is to create a positive, respectful, and safe environment that provides all students equitable opportunities to learn at high academic levels, while modeling high expectations through rigorous instruction that is knowledge-based, promotes life-long learning, and career readiness.

Early College High Schools (ECHS) are innovative high schools that allow students least likely to attend college an opportunity to earn a high school diploma and 60 college credit hours.

Early College High Schools:

- Engage first-generation college attendees
- Provide dual credit at no cost to students
- Offer courses that mirror a college setting, with academic counseling to help students develop the skills needed for post-high school success
- Increase college enrollment and success rates for all students
- Strengthen connections between middle schools, high schools and higher education institutions to promote a culture of college readiness

All Pharr-San Juan- Alamo Independent School District Early College High Schools (ECHS) are open enrollment campuses, as designated school wide model, all students entering 9th grade in PSJA ISD are admitted. Students from underrepresented backgrounds (i.e. at-risk, low income and/or first-generation college attendees) are targets for designated ECHSs; however, students of all backgrounds are encouraged to attend.