

Welcome Class of 2026
Parents and Students
Senior Parent Night - September 3, 2025
Barbers Hill High School

Topics for This Evening
Post-Secondary Plans
Things to consider when making decisions
College-Bound Students
Steps to applying
for college
Military
Steps to joining the military
Trade Programs
Steps to applying to a trade program

We're Here to Help!

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Students must meet the following requirements to graduate and earn a BHISD Diploma:

Graduation Requirements
Complete the required 26 credits for the Distinguished Achievement Diploma
(*Including Algebra 2 and an Endorsement)

Pass all sections of EOC Assessments
(English I, English II, Algebra I,
Biology, US History)

Distinguished
Achievement Plan
English
(4 Credits)

Math
(4 Credits)
Science
(4 Credits)
Social Studies
(3 Credits)
English 1
English 2
English 3
English 4
Algebra 1
Geometry
Algebra 2
4th Adv. Math
Biology
Chemistry
2 Adv. Sciences
W Geo or W History
US History
Govt/Eco
LOTE (2 credits) Physical Education (1 Credit) Fine Arts (1 Credit) Electives (7 Credits)

26 Credits for Distinguished Achievement Plan

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

End-Of-Course Exams
Speech
Proper Interaction with Peace Officer
Cardiopulmonary
Resuscitation
FAFSA

Endorsements

Students must have 4 Math and 4 Science for any Endorsement.
Students must complete a minimum of 26 Credits.
Students can complete more than one Endorsement.

POST-SECONDARY PLANNING

What Could You
Work On Right Now?
Interest Inventories
Campus Visits
College & Career Fair
Short inventories to narrow down career choices based on interest
Visit different campuses
Colleges, Military, and Trade programs will be represented
September 25th
6-8 pm
BHHS Cafeteria

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COLLEGE-BOUND STUDENTS

COLLEGE VISITS

Students receive TWO college visit days their junior and senior years.
Students must schedule their visits with the College Visitor Center on the campus they are visiting.

See Mrs. Kimble in the College and Career Center BEFORE you take your visit.
Return completed form to Mrs. Kimble.

POINTS TO CONSIDER WHEN CHOOSING A COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY

Location
Size
Athletics & Extracurriculars
Admission
Requirements
Cost of Attendance
Religious
Affiliation

APPLICATION PLATFORMS

Apply Texas
Common Application
Applications are not complete until your transcripts, test scores, and all required documents are submitted.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Brag Sheets are located on the Student Hub.
Choose recommenders that know you well.
Don't send more than the requested amount.
Give recommenders a two-week minimum to write a letter.
Consider a recommender outside of school.

FINANCIAL AID

Grants
FREE Money!
Scholarships
A gift of money
Loans
Military Benefits
Money that needs to be paid back
Benefits passed on to a child from a parent that served in the military
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FINANCIAL AID: FAFSA

Getting Started

State graduation requirement as of 21-22
Opt-Out Forms available tonight
FREE Application for Federal Student Aid
<https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>
Don't be scammed
Complete the application if you do not think you will qualify
Requirement for some merit-based aid
Lee College has offered free books and free college hours in the past
Use 2024 Tax Return
Males that are 18 years old must register for the Selective Service to be eligible
Grants, loans, work-study
Opens October 2025

FINANCIAL AID:

FAFSA - Key Changes
The FSA ID is more important than ever.
Both parent & student need an FSA ID.
The questions are different.

The parent included on FAFSA could change.
There are significant terminology changes.
Contributor-Someone required to report their information on the FAFSA
Direct Data Exchange- replaced IRS Data Retrieval Tool
FAFSA Submission Summary- replaced Student Aid Report
Student Aid Index (SAI)- replaced Expected Family Contribution (EFC)
The SAI formula NO LONGER accounts for siblings in college.
Consenting to DDX (Direct Data Exchange) is required.
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FINANCIAL AID: FAFSA

FAFSA Workshop
October 22, 2025
5:30 pm
BHHS Cafeteria
Grad Cafe
www.gradcafe.org
Educational Opportunity Center
www.lee.edu/eoc

FINANCIAL AID: SCHOLARSHIPS
Need-Based vs. Merit-Based
Local scholarships available in March
College Financial Aid Office
Class of 2026 Google Classroom
Other resources:
Minnie Stevens Piper Foundation
Going Merry
Fast Web
Bold
Scholly

The TSI is a statute that requires all Texas public institutions of higher education to determine the readiness of all non-exempt, entering undergraduate students to enroll in freshman-level academic courses (see TEC, 51.336).
Texas Success Initiative
(TSI 2.0)

TSIA2 → Assessment instrument used to determine college readiness in math, reading, and writing
Must be considered "College Ready" in order to take college credit bearing courses
TSIA2 is not an entrance/admissions exam
Required by Texas public colleges and universities (2 and 4 year schools; must check requirements for out-of-state schools)

Texas Success Initiative Assessment 2.0

TSIA 2 ELAR

TSIA 2 MATH

TSIA2 Testing Exemptions
Exam
Score
SAT
EBRW - 480

Math - 530
ACT
EBRW

Prior to Feb. 15, 2023: EBRW 19, Composite 23

After Feb. 15, 2023:
Combined score of 40 on the E+R Tests
Math

Prior to Feb. 15, 2023: Math 19, Composite 23

After Feb. 15, 2023:
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Completed a qualifying Dual Credit course on campus
***TSIA 2.0 exemptions for Dual Credit courses are different than for College Credit courses.

Official test scores must come from the test company
SAT - collegeboard.org
ACT - actstudent.org
If you are planning to retest, do so SOON!
Fee waivers are located in College & Career Center
SAT/ACT

2025
SAT Testing Dates
Test Dates
Registration
Deadline
October 4, 2025
September 19, 2025
November 8, 2025
October 24, 2025
December 6, 2025
November 21, 2025

2025-2026
ACT Testing Dates
Test Dates
Registration
Deadline
October 18, 2025
September 12, 2025
December 13, 2025
November 7, 2025
February 14, 2026
January 9, 2026

Students in Top 10% are eligible for automatic admission to any Texas public college or university.
Exception: UT Austin → Top 5%
Must graduate with Distinguished Level of Achievement to be eligible for automatic admission.
Automatic College Admissions

Must register with the NCAA Eligibility Center at www.ncaa.org before the recruitment process can begin.
Have official transcript sent.
Have test scores sent.

Prospective College Athletes

Great way of collecting and organizing academic, extracurricular, and job-related experiences.
Designed to keep your information organized and in one place.
This information is used for applications for colleges, scholarships, and employment.
Resumes

Transcripts are sent through the Registrar's Office.
Complete transcript request form:

<https://hs.bhisd.net/campus-departments/counselor>
Transcripts

Military

Enlistment- Direct military commitment out of high school.
ROTC Scholarship- Participate in a ROTC program at a college campus and enlist upon completion of university degree.
Academy Appointments- Must be nominated by state representative.
Reservist- smaller commitment, same benefits

Military Options

Take ASVAB
Offered on campus
November 4, 2025
February 10, 2026
Or anytime at a recruiting office
Meet with a recruiter
Recruiters are at lunch weekly
Offices are located in Greater Houston area

Military: Getting Started

Trade Programs

Offer intensive training in a particular areas
Ex. Automotive Tech, Welding, Cosmetology
The length of time needed to complete these programs can vary from several months to two years
Your skills are focused and don't easily allow you to adapt your skill set to a different career path
Some are privately owned and run for a profit. Do your research!

Trade/Technical School

AP Exam Ordering
Prom: April 11, 2026
Graduation: May 22, 2026
Senior Conferences - Sign Up
Final Reminders

Register to Vote
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We are looking
forward to a great
Senior Year!

Parental Consent

Beginning Sept. 1, 2025, we cannot provide counseling services to students without a signed parent consent form.

Take a few minutes to log in to Skyward Family Access and click on the tile marked "Action Required: District Forms." There you can quickly review and submit your consent form.

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Sign up for your Senior Conference with Mrs. Kellam

<https://genakellam.youcanbook.me/>

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