



S.T.E.M.

EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

HARLANDALE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
ALAMO COLLEGES/PALO ALTO COLLEGE



Application for Admission

Eligibility: Students entering the ninth grade in the fall 2019

Submission Deadline: February 1, 2019

Part I: School Overview

The Harlandale ISD STEM Early College High School – Alamo Colleges at Palo Alto College is an educational opportunity provided through the collaboration of the Harlandale Independent School District, Palo Alto College, Texas A&M University San Antonio, and Educate Texas. This unique school is specifically designed to provide students a rigorous course of study focused on a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) model. Students enrolled in the school will be provided advanced coursework that enables each student to attain an Associate’s Degree while completing his/her high school diploma, or earn college credit hours towards an Associate’s Degree. The school redefines the typical comprehensive high school experience into an academically oriented personalized school setting.

Part II: Applicant Information (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)

- Name: _____
Last First Middle
 - Date of Birth: ____/____/____ *Gender: F M Student School ID# _____
Month Day Year
 - Address: _____
House Number and Street Name Apt. Number Zip Code
 - Home Phone: () _____ Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Work Phone: () _____
Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Cell Phone: () _____
- Student e-mail address: _____
- Parent(s)/Guardian(s) e-mail address: _____
- Name of person student lives with: _____ Relationship _____
- *Has anyone in your immediate family received a college degree (i.e. brother, sister, mother, or father)?
 No Yes If yes, what is the highest degree achieved? _____
 - What career would you like to pursue? _____
 - Name of current school you attend: _____ School Phone: () _____
 - Current counselor’s Name: _____
 - Student’s Signature: _____ Date: _____
 - Parent/Guardian’s Name: (PLEASE PRINT) _____
 - Parent/Guardian’s Signature: _____ Date: _____

*Information needed for reporting purposes only—not for admission.

Part III: Applicant Criteria, Important Information, and Selection Process (PLEASE READ CAREFULLY)

The criteria for selecting and retaining students into the Harlandale STEM ECHS are as follows:

- The student must be an incoming 9th Grade Student in the fall of 2019.
 - The applicant must meet ALL requirements for promotion from eighth grade to ninth grade (including 90% attendance; grades—70% overall GPA in 8th grade core subjects).
 - The applicant MUST attend and participate in the “Essay Writing” activity. Dates to be given at a later time.
 - Students selected to attend the Harlandale STEM ECHS MUST attend a one-week Summer Bridge Program in the summer of 2019 (dates are pending).
 - The applicant must have submitted the application for admission to his/her HISD Middle School Counselor or mailed/delivered to the Harlandale STEM ECHS Principal (see address below) by the deadline of **February 1, 2019**. Applications received after the deadline will be accepted, but will be placed on a waiting list.
 - The student must score at *College Level* on the Reading TSI (Texas State Initiative) Exam. A score of 78 or higher must be obtained by each student by July 2019, in order to have his/her school transfer renewed for the 2019-2020 school year. Students who have not met this criteria by the end of the school year will be required to attend the instructional portion of the 2019 Summer Bridge Program and score at *College Level* on the TSI in order to remain enrolled in the Harlandale STEM ECHS.
 - If a student does not qualify for college classes prior to the start of the 9th grade year, but meets the standard during the 9th grade year, he/she will be required to attend summer classes prior to the 10th grade year to make up the college level credits missed.
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- While attending the Harlandale STEM ECHS, if the student experiences issues with attendance, tardies, discipline, low grades due to lack of effort, or lack of parent/guardian cooperation, the Harlandale STEM ECHS teachers and staff will provide all the support necessary to assist the student. However, if the teachers and staff see that the student is not putting in the full effort to improve in any area deemed deficient, the administration reserves the right to recommend that the student’s transfer to the Harlandale STEM ECHS be revoked and the student be returned to their home campus.
 - The applicant and guardian must be aware that the Harlandale STEM ECHS does not have lockers; therefore, the students are required to carry their books/supplies, etc., in a district allowed backpack and be responsible for their own items.
 - To protect a student’s GPA (grade point average), a student may only leave the program willingly at the end of a semester and **ONLY AFTER** following the dismissal process established by the Harlandale STEM ECHS.
 - Competitive sports and fine arts are NOT offered to students at the Harlandale STEM ECHS campus.
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The process for selecting students for admission into the Harlandale STEM ECHS is as follows:

- A lottery process will be used to select the students for admission if more than 125 qualified applications are received.
- Only a total of 125 students will be admitted per school year.

**REMINDER: Turn in your completed application to your HISD Middle School Counselor or mail/deliver to:
Harlandale STEM ECHS Main Office at 4040 Apollo, San Antonio, Texas 78214**