



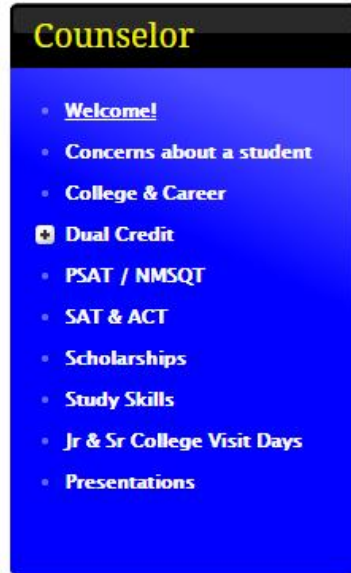
LHS

Junior Parent Meeting

2019 - 2020

Counselor's Website

- Information
- Helpful links
- Presentations



Lipan ISD ▸ Staff Sites ▸ Counselor



Graduation Plan

Foundation plan with an endorsement (area of interest)

- 4 English credits
- 4 Math credits
- 4 Science credits
- 3 – 4 History credits (depends on endorsement)
- 2 Foreign Language credits (must be the same language)
- 1 PE/Athletic credit
- 1 Fine Art credit
- + Elective credits

Total of **26 credits**

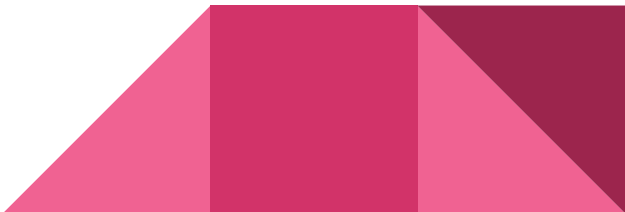
Pass all 5 EOC tests: ENG 1, ALG, BIO, ENG 2, and USH



Attendance is required to earn credit

- “90% Rule” is law
- A student **must** be in attendance for **each period 90%** of the time the course is offered within a semester
- If a student exceeds unexcused absences, credit will be **denied** regardless of grade and a **zero** will be calculated into the student’s GPA.
- It is critical that students turn in notes promptly to the office
- Example: Semester 1 has 84 days
 - A student may only miss 10% = 8 school days
 - Student passes a class with a grade of 75, the credit is denied if more than 8 absences
 - The student **must** makeup the hours owed or will have to **re-take** the course

Plans after high school

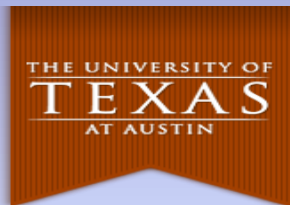
- What are the student's interests or goals?
 - Options: ASVAB, Collegeboard, interest inventories, etc.
 - There are many different pathways
 - Military, Technical/Training school, Community College, University, or workforce?
 - Each of these have different requirements
 - Military - ASVAB
 - Technical/Training school or Community College - TSI
 - University - SAT/ACT
 - Workforce - Training
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Visit school websites!

www.shsu.edu

www.collegeforalltexans.com



www.utexas.edu



www.wc.edu



www.tccd.edu



www.sfasu.edu



www.tarleton.edu



www.unt.edu



www.tcu.edu



www.txstate.edu



www.tamu.edu



www.ttu.edu



www.tstc.edu



www.baylor.edu



Search for majors and degrees



www.collegeforalltexas.org



<http://www.princetonreview.com>



Search engines: **Google** or **Yahoo**

www.mymajors.com

www.college.gov



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 **CollegeBoard** connect to college success

<http://www.collegeboard.org>

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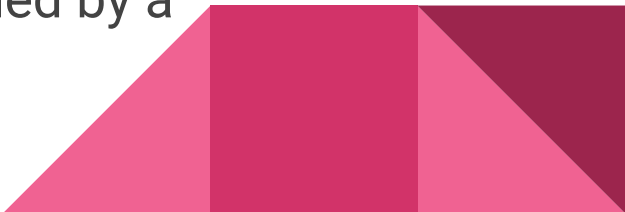


<http://online.onetcenter.org>

<http://www.myfuture.com>




College or Military Visits

- Junior & Senior students are allowed two (2) school days per year to visit college campuses or military offices. Days that are not used within the year do not roll over.
 - A college/military visit form can be requested from the office.
 - The visit form will need to be signed by the teachers and parent and kept on file.
 - For the visit to be an **excused absence**, the student **must turn in a note** to the attendance office. The note must be on **official letterhead** showing the day of the visit and signed by a college/military representative.
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Official campus visit

- **Meet with an Admissions Counselor**
- **Verify Admission requirements**
- **Determine actual college costs**
- **Ask about financial aid opportunities**
- **Take a campus tour**
- **Investigate the academic programs**
- **Attend a class**
- **Talk with students and faculty**
- **Discuss your chances for success:**
 - admission
 - graduation
 - placement

Consider College Characteristics

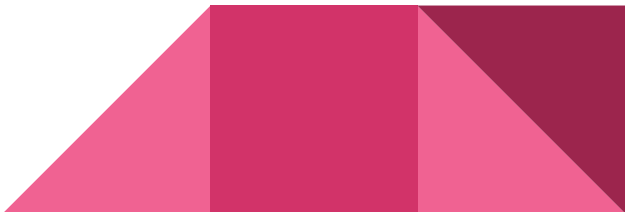
- ☐ **Majors & educational programs**
 - ☐ **Type of schools & degrees offered**
 - ☐ **Admission policy**
 - ☐ **Housing**
 - ☐ **Locations and size**
 - ☐ **Cost & financial aid**
 - ☐ **College affiliation and accreditation**
 - ☐ **Campus activities**
 - ☐ **Support services**
 - ☐ **Retention & graduation rates**
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Family Considerations

- Family Expectations

 - Type of college**

 - Location**

- Student's abilities and interests
 - Length of time family support will last and additional requirements for continued support
 - Financial limitations
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Applying for admissions - *Observe deadlines**

Narrow your choices, review entrance test requirements, and submit application materials.

Complete Application for admission (www.applytexas.org)

Application fees – Waivers may be available if you qualify.

Supplements (counselor/teacher)

High school transcript – Request through the counselor's office

SAT/ACT test results – Students must submit scores through testing site

Recommendations – Give plenty of advance time and information about yourself.



Applying for the FAFSA - during Senior year

- You can apply starting in October
- LHS will offer sessions for help with the FAFSA in the fall
- Financial aid can include: scholarships, grants, loans & work study
- Start early to understand the process



Plans to finance your education

Determine college costs & Investigate ALL possible resources

- * Parents/Relatives**
- * Savings**
- * Summer earnings**

Other sources

- * Financial aid: scholarships, grants, loans & work study**

October 1st - FAFSA opens for the Fall enrollment

**Do Not Eliminate any school before receiving
Financial Assistance Information**

Scholarships - Start making lists

www.collegeforalltexans.com

www.fastweb.com

www.scholarships.com

www.collegeanswer.com


**Set up a separate
email account to
use for scholarship
searches.**

**Search scholarships through car insurance,
Electric, Water or other companies**

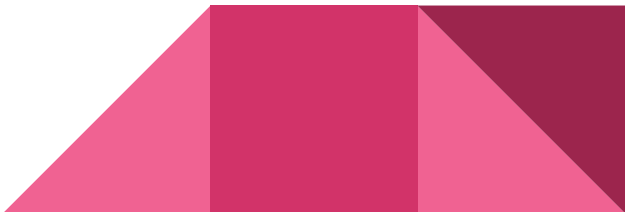
Scholarship list available on counseling website

Top 10% Rule

To be eligible for automatic admission, a student **must**:

- Graduate in the **top 10 percent** of his or her class; **Except** for UT – Austin Top **6%**.
 - On the Foundation Plan, graduate with a Distinguished Level of Achievement (includes 4 science & 4 math-including ALG 2)
 - Enroll in college no more than two years after graduating from high school; Submit an application to a Texas public university for admission before the institution's application deadline
 - Students are required to provide SAT or ACT scores. Students must also take the TSI test, unless exempted from the TSI test requirement.
 - Admission to a university ***does not guarantee acceptance into a particular college of study or department***, however.
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TSI Assessment

- Subject areas include: Reading, Writing, and Math
 - Required for Technical/Training School, and Community Colleges
 - Required for dual credit college courses
 - Basic assessment of skills to indicate “college ready”
 - Available at many locations
 - Tarleton State University
 - Ranger College
 - Weatherford College - Granbury or Weatherford
 - At LHS in the spring
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College Entrance Exams

SAT[®]



The **SAT Reasoning Test** is a timed exam which contains:

Reading, Writing & Language

Math

Writing (Optional but recommended)

Register online:

www.collegeboard.org

LHS School Code: **444195**

****Use a good email that you will check; not school email account**

Fee waivers available in counselors office and can be a benefit when applying to college.

The **ACT** is a timed exam which contains:

**English, Math, Science, Reading and
Writing Sections (Writing optional but
recommended)**

Register online:

www.actstudent.org

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Test Prep

SAT www.collegeboard.org

ACT www.actstudent.org

Tips for taking the exams and online practice exams

Free online SAT and ACT prep is available at www.khanacademy.org

*Proven to help improve scores

Other online resources are available for SAT and ACT prep for a fee. The prices will vary.

PSAT test booklets
and score reports

Athletes - NCAA Eligibility



Register with NCAA Eligibility
Center and review academic
requirements

www.eligibilitycenter.org


Selective Service



All males must register within 30 days of their 18th birthday.

Registration forms are available at any Post Office or online at www.sss.gov

A registration card will be sent to your home address. Keep this card.



Reminders

- Fall Festival Duties: Fri, Oct. 25th
- Concession Stand Duties
- Prom Planning
- EOC Testing Requirements
- Senior Course Selections: Spring 2020

