

# Messages from our students about advanced academics...

## From a former EMS-ISD AP student:

*“The **AP program** helps prepare you for college. Even if you don't get credit for your AP tests, the curriculum and testing experience prepare you for taking courses in college. The atmosphere in AP classes is the closest thing to a college class you can get, which helps when you're transitioning from high school. Having credit for AP tests means I am able to take courses that are actually interesting to me right away.”*

## From a former CTHS dual credit student:

- *“**Dual credit** is a college course and will not only prepare you for college but actually show you what college is like. It is a route that teaches us how to be adults and abide by a strict syllabus. This teaches responsibility and self-discipline in order to prepare us for the workforce. Dual credit is a regular class with both college and high school credit awarded by passing the course rather than passing one test.”*



# CHISHOLM TRAIL HIGH SCHOOL

*Home of the Rangers!*

## ADVANCED ACADEMICS INFORMATION MEETING

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# Advanced Academic Options

## ➤ **Advanced Placement**

- College Level Courses offered in high school
- AP Exams given at end of each course measure student mastery
- Colleges award credit for students who earn qualifying scores on AP Exams 3, 4, 5
- AP Exam fee required
- Open Enrollment

## ➤ **Dual Credit**

- TCC courses offered in high school
- Students earn college and high school credit
  - Students must earn a grade of 70 to earn high school credit
- Tuition and book fees required
- Students must meet TCC admission requirements
- **OnRamps Algebra 2 and PreCalculus**
  - (Offered through UT—different criteria! )

**AP or Dual Credit? Or Both?  
The choice is yours!**

# Benefits of the AP Program



- **Build skills and confidence.**
  - Time management, study skills, problem solving, creativity
- **Get in to college.**
  - 85% of selective colleges and universities report that a student's AP experience **favorably impacts** admission decisions
- **Succeed in college.**
  - Research shows that students who receive a score of 3 or higher on AP Exams typically experience greater academic success in college and have higher graduation rate
- **Save time and money in college.**

Source:

<https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/about-ap/discover-benefits>

# Pre-AP in High School

English	Math	Science	Social Studies	Other
English I	Algebra	Biology	World Geography	Art
English II	Geometry	Chemistry		Computer Science
	Algebra II			Foreign Languages
	Pre-calculus			

Pre-AP classes in high school allow students to build the skills needed for success in junior and senior AP classes.

# High School AP Courses

English	Math	Science	Social Studies	Other
English Language	Calculus AB	Biology	Human Geography	Spanish Language
English Literature	Calculus BC	Chemistry	World History	Spanish Literature
AP Capstone Seminar	Statistics	Environmental Science	US History	French Language
AP Capstone Research		Physics I	Government	German Language
		Physics II	Economics	Art/Drawing/Photo-2D Art 3-D/Art History
			Psychology	Computer Science Computer Science Principles
			European History	Music Theory

# AP Scholar Awards

Award	Criteria
<b>AP Scholar (50 Students)</b>	Granted to students who receive scores of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams.
<b>AP Scholar with Honor (10 Students)</b>	Granted to students who receive an average score of at least 3.25 on all AP exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams.
<b>AP Scholar with Distinction (17 Students)</b>	Granted to students who receive an average score of at least 3.5 on all AP exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams.
<b>National AP Scholar (5 Student)</b>	Granted to students who receive an average score of at least 4 on all AP exams taken, and scores of 4 or higher on eight or more of these exams



# What are AP Exams like?



- Administered by schools worldwide on set dates and times.
  - 3-4 hours
  - Multiple choice
  - Free-response
    - Essay
    - Problem solving
    - Oral response
- Arrival time for students taking morning exams will be 7:15 am.

# How can you check AP credit policies for colleges and universities?

## AP Credit Policy Search

Find colleges that offer credit or placement for AP scores. For the most up-to-date AP credit policy information, check the institution's website.

Search by Course

Accepted AP Course

--Select Course--



Find Your College

[www.collegeboard.org/apcreditpolicy](http://www.collegeboard.org/apcreditpolicy)

# AP Exam Registration Info

**AP Regular Exam Cost:** \$86 per exam

**AP Capstone Exam Cost:** \$134

*\*Fee reductions are available for qualifying students*

**Exam Decision and Required Deposit Deadline:**

**\$40 per exam by October 4, 2019** (Exception: Sem 2 AP GOVT/ECON)

*\*After the exam order is placed, no refunds can be given for deposits.*

**Final Payment Deadline: February 14, 2020**

*\*Students must pay in full for all exams by this deadline. Exams not paid in full will be canceled.  
No refunds will be given for any deposit due to College Board cancellation fees.*

**Students will join the AP Classroom for the course through College Board and register for exams through Total Registration. Registration instructions and links are located on the CTHS Advanced Academics site.**

# AP Testing Dates



- **AP Testing Window**
  - May 4-15, 2020
  - Tests are administered in the morning & afternoon
- Testing dates and times are established by College Board and cannot be changed.
- For test dates, please visit the CTHS Advanced Academics website.
  - *CTHS Website > Departments > College and Career Readiness > Advanced Placement*

# Current High School Dual Credit Courses

English	Math	Social Studies	Science	Other
English Composition I	OnRamps: PreCalculus	US History	OnRamps: Intro to Geoscience	Aircraft Technology
English Composition II	<i>**Different qualification requirements.</i>	Federal Government	<i>**Different qualification requirements.</i>	Firefighter I/II
American Literature British Literature	OnRamps Algebra 2	Economics-Macro		Horticulture *Auto Tech *Audio/Video Prod. *Networking *Welding

- ❑ Students must meet TCC Admission Requirements.
- ❑ TCC professors teach these courses at EMS facilities or the TCC campus
- ❑ \$192 per semester course + books
- ❑ The TCC Dual Credit Grant Fund can help cover expenses for eligible students.
- ❑ CTE courses with (\*) are taught by HCTC instructors, free of charge to students.

# OnRamps

## The Challenge

- The brain learns through experiences
- Colleges have about a 40% graduation rate
- 65% of the jobs our current students will occupy haven't been invented yet.

## The Response

- OnRamps immerses students in the discovery of mathematics & science
- Learning Communities will equip students with college and career skills
- **Bonus:** The chance to earn 3 hours of credit from UT!

# Cost Comparison

Source: College Board-Big Future

University	Tuition Only – 12 credit hrs
<b>Texas Tech University</b>	\$3,372.00
<b>Texas A&amp;M University</b>	\$3,036.00
<b>University of North Texas</b>	\$3,456.00
<b>AP Exam Fees (4 exams)</b>	\$344.00

University	Tuition Cost for One (3 hour) Course
<b>University of North Texas</b>	\$864.00
<b>Tarrant County College (Dual Credit)</b>	\$192.00
<b>OnRamps</b>	\$149.00

# College Entrance Exams

## ➤ SAT

- Sections
  - Reading
  - Writing & Language
  - Math
  - Essay (Optional)
- No penalty for incorrect answers
- Scores from 400-1600
- [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

## ➤ ACT

- Sections
  - English
  - Math
  - Reading
  - Science
  - Essay (optional)
- No penalty for incorrect answers
- Scores from 1-36
- [www.act.org](http://www.act.org)

- These should be taken in the spring of junior year and again in the fall of senior year if a better score is desired—look at college admission and scholarship requirements
- Each test is offered multiple times during the school year!
- Juniors will be able to select one test for FREE!



# The PSAT/PreACT

➤ Offered to 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students

➤ 2019 PSAT Cost: \$16

➤ 2019 PreACT Cost: \$12

➤ 10<sup>th</sup> grade students can select one test to take for free!

➤ 11<sup>th</sup> grade students are eligible to enter National Merit Scholarship Contest based on a qualifying PSAT score!

## PSAT/P-ACT

Ready for your future?

**TEST FOR FREE**

- Opportunity to take ONE of these two test for **FREE**.
  - EMS ISD pays for the PSAT. You can also take the P-ACT for \$12.
  - OR
  - EMS ISD pays for the P-ACT. You can also take the PSAT for \$16.

**Something for EVERYONE**

**PSAT**  
**OCTOBER 16**

- Cost - \$16
- Subjects tested:
  - Reading
  - English
  - Math

**VS**

**P-ACT**  
**OCTOBER 29**

- Cost - \$12
- Subjects tested:
  - Reading
  - English
  - Math
  - Science

**10<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**

**Why 9<sup>th</sup> grade?**

- Additional layer of practice for the college entrance exams.
- Cost to student is price listed at right.

**Why 11<sup>th</sup> grade?**

- PSAT is the qualifying test for the *National Merit Scholarship*
- Additional layer of practice for the college entrance exams you would begin taking in the Spring.
- Cost to student is price listed at right.

**11<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**

Register online and bring payment to the CTHS Counseling Center!

Online Registration Link:  
<https://ems.isd.net/psat>

Or, scan the QR code using a QR Reader, Snapchat, or iPhone camera to register.



**EMS ISD**

**Deadline for either test is September 13**

# Preparing for College Entrance Exams

## ➤ Free Online Practice

### ➤ SAT

➤ <https://www.khanacademy.org/sat>

### ➤ ACT

➤ <https://academy.act.org/>

## ➤ Test Prep Sessions at CTHS

➤ DATE & COST TBD

➤ Sessions will focus on ACT, SAT, or TSI skills

➤ Will be offered before school, after school, and designated Saturdays

➤ Information will be posted on the CTHS website when available!



# COLLEGE AND CAREER CENTER

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OPEN MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS DURING LUNCH

LOCATED IN FRONT OF THE 400 HALLWAY

LOOK FOR SPECIAL EVENT OPPORTUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

Explore  
careers!



Register for ACT & SAT  
exams!



Learn  
about/apply to  
colleges!

Learn about Dual Credit & AP  
options!



Identify scholarship  
opportunities!

Investigate career and technical education (CTE) classes  
offered at CTHS and the HCTC that will help you in pursuing  
your career goals!



Tarrant  
County  
College

Sam Houston  
STATE UNIVERSITY



UNT  
UNIVERSITY OF  
NORTH-TEXAS



TEXAS  
Wesleyan  
UNIVERSITY



# Visit the CTHS College and Career Readiness Website for info and resources!



We offer assistance with...

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2019 CTE Survey

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Advanced Placement

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Career & Technology Education

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Career Preparation Student Handbook

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Dual Credit Classes/Registration for TCC

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FAFSA, Financial Aid, & Scholarships

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G-Force College & Career Mentors

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PSAT & Pre-ACT

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SAT & ACT

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TSI Information & Testing

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# Questions?

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