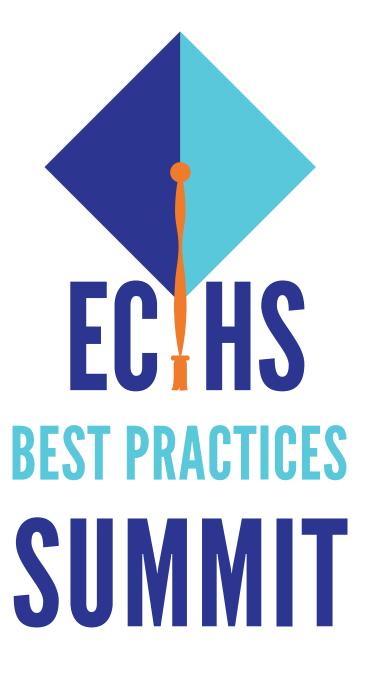
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GENERAL INFORMATION

NAME TAGS

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HANDOUTS & POWERPOINTS

All handouts and PowerPoints will be posted to the Texas ECHS website following the Summit. An email will be sent via the listsery once the materials are available.

LISTSERV

For the most current ECHS news and updates, sign up for the listserv at the registration table.

Icons & Audience Types

★ Demonstration Site Campus

Administrators

Counselors

Lead Teachers

Institution of Higher Education

Career and Technical Education

All Participants

WELCOME

It is the pleasure and privilege of the Texas Education Agency (TEA) and Education Service Center (ESC) Region 13 to welcome all Early College High Schools (ECHS) and their Institution of Higher Education (IHE) partners to this 2016 ECHS Best Practices Summit. The Summit is designed to benefit both new and existing campuses. Over the next two days, you will experience sessions by school models, panel discussions, updates from the state, and breakout sessions based on feedback from ECHS campuses. We hope you enjoy the Summit.

OVERVIEW OF SUMMIT

Early College High Schools are innovative high schools that allow students least likely to attend college an opportunity to earn a high school diploma and either an associate degree or at least 60 college credit hours toward a baccalaureate degree. An ECHS provides dual credit at no cost to students, offers rigorous instruction and accelerated courses, provides academic and social support services to help students succeed, increases college readiness, and reduces barriers to college access.

The purpose of the ECHS Best Practices Summit is to present successful ECHS models and strategies for implementing and sustaining ECHS campuses. Topics include best practices based on the ECHS Blueprint such as recruiting, enrolling, and serving the target population; dual credit readiness and support; and effective ECHS leadership teams.

According to Texas Education Agency Commissioner Mike Morath, "The early college high school concept is just one innovative approach embraced by Texas school systems to offer students an avenue for success. With more than 150 campuses, Texas continues to be a national ECHS leader in providing high school students with college credit while saving families money."

2016-2017 ECHS CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS



NEW ECHS CAMPUSES

Beaumont ISD Early College High School **Burleson Collegiate High School** Crowley Collegiate Early College High School Raul Yzaguirre School for Success Early College High

Estacado Early College High School Judson High School: An Early College IB World School Karen Wagner Early College High School Kermit Early College High School Veterans Memorial Early College High School Port Arthur Early College High School Rams Early College High School Raymondville High School Robstown Early College High School Round Rock ISD Early College High School Seagoville Pathways to Technology Early College High School at Eastfield Silsbee Early College High School



DEMONSTRATION SITE CAMPUSES

Alamo Colleges—Memorial Early College High School Bryan Collegiate High School Collegiate High School Early College Academy at Southridge Legacy Early College High School Pasadena Early College High School Pharr-San Juan-Alamo (PSJA) Thomas Jefferson T-STEM Early College High School PSJA North Early College High School Quest Early College High School Roscoe Collegiate High School Trinidad "Trini" Garza Early College High School at Mountain View College Valle Verde Early College High School Victory Early College High School

SCHEDULE 4 AUGUST 2016

9:00 AM

WELCOME/RECOGNITIONS Education Service Center Region 13 and Texas Education Agency

	PRIMROSE D	PRIMROSE AB	PRIMROSE C	LANTANA	CAMELLIA	PLUMERIA
10:00 AM 11:15 AM	A Day in the Life of an ECHS Student	Standing Strong as a Stand Alone	Best Practices: The Best of Both Worlds	Different by Design: A Stand Alone Campus Designed to Operate with Tight Connections to the	Roscoe Collegiate HS: A Tried and True Model for Rural ECHS	Building Transitions/ Experiences of Early College High Schools
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11:30 AM

LUNCH/KEYNOTE Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Dr. Andrew Lofters-Legislative Updates

12:25 PM

FEATURED SPEAKERS Pasadena Early College High School, Pasadena ISD

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1:15 PM 2:15 PM	Early College High School: It's Not Just Dual Credit	TSI Success for All: Implementing a Support System for Student Success	Leading and Learning in Early College: Lessons Learned	SESSION CANCELED	Strategies for Obtaining and Sustaining Exemplar Status within Benchmark 2: Partnership	Establishing School Culture with Student Agency	
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SCHEDULE 5 AUGUST 2016

9:00 AM

WELCOME/KEYNOTE Sarah Croft, ECHS Designation Application

10:15 AM

ADVANCING EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP (AEL) GENERAL SESSION

11:30 AM

LUNCH/KEYNOTE Texas Education Agency, Curriculum Updates

12:25 PM

FEATURED SPEAKERS La Vega Early College High School, La Vega ISD

	PRIMROSE D	PRIMROSE AB	PRIMROSE C	LANTANA	CAMELLIA	PLUMERIA
1:15 PM 2:15 PM	Building an Early College High School Student Data Management System	MOVED TO KEYNOTE	Scheduling in Early College High School	Rising Raptor: A Model for Bringing ECHS to Primary Grades	New ECHS Principal Boot Camp	La Vega ECHS: Making It Work for Academic and CTE Preparation
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2:30 PM 3:30 PM	Palo Alto College ECHS Consortium: Three Models, One Solution	Freer Early College High School: A Different Kind of Early College	Strategies for Student Success: TSI Edition	Retain Teachers, Promote Student Success	Parent University—A Plan to Educate Parents	Creating Individualized and Sustainable Academic Support
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GENERAL SESSION

ADVANCING EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP (AEL)



Now more than ever, effective school leaders are critical to successful student outcomes. As the state of Texas implements the new Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System (T-TESS), administrators will benefit from training that provides support in the implementation of impactful strategies designed to improve instruction and student performance at the campus and district level.

Administrators must be knowledgeable in curriculum and instruction, must be skillful in data gathering and analysis, must be able to set goals, must be skillful in conducting effective conferences, must have team-building skills and conflict resolution skills, and have mentoring and coaching skills. In order to meet these expectations, the Texas Education Agency and ESC Region 13 have developed Advancing Educational Leadership (AEL). This three-day engaging and research based training is required for teacher appraisers along with T-TESS evaluation training.

FEATURED SPEAKERS

4 AUGUST 12:25 PM - 1:00 PM

Pasadena Early College High School

Pasadena Independent School District Aldo Prado, Dean of Instruction Joe Saavedra, Principal

Student Panelists:

- Mariana Prado
- · Francisco Bautista
- Alondro Moran
- Raul Arita
- Taylor McGee
- · Haleigh Conklin

5 AUGUST 12:25 PM - 1:00 PM

La Vega Early College High School La Vega Independent School District Elicia Krumnow, Director

Student Panelists:

- · Martin Dorham
- Solae Loadholt
- · Keren Guadarrama



A Administrators





Counselors Lead Teachers (HE) IHE







ALL All Participants

4 AUGUST

A Day in the Life of an ECHS Student







As a student enters the world of early college, each day can bring an encounter unlike any other. As a stand alone at the IHE model, our students cross back and forth into both the high school and college world every day. It takes an amazing team working together to provide for all the needs of an ECHS student—courses, books, transportation, instructors, registration, and let's not forget food and fun! The partnership among the staff at the IHE, the school district, and the campus itself must run efficiently and effectively to produce amazing results—a high school AND college graduate in just four short years. If you need insight and tips about how this threeway partnership works, this session is for you. Join us as we discuss all of those issues and hear from a panel of students via video conference connection as we explore A Day in the Life of an ECHS Student.

Presenter(s):

Kimberly Mouser **Ginger Noyes** Kimberly Klepcyk

Janette Horton Dr. Charles Ned Curriculum Facilitator, Quest Early College High School, Humble ISD

Principal, Quest Early College High School, Humble ISD

Dean of Academic Partnerships & Initiatives, Lone Star College-Kingwood

Assistant Principal, Quest Early College High School, Humble ISD

Director of Advanced Academics, Humble ISD

Room: PRIMROSE D 10:00 AM-11:15 AM



Demonstration Site Campus

Belonging and Becoming—The Power of Social-Emotional Learning in High Schools







Benchmark 4 is all about curriculum and support. We help students achieve their high school diploma and an associate degree in four years by addressing their social and emotional learning needs. In four short years, our students learn to belong, to contribute to their school and to their greater community, and to become all they aspire to be and more. Quest ECHS has three main support structures underlying our curriculum—Family, Service Learning, and College Readiness—and we strive to create a family of belonging so that students achieve more than they can imagine. Our session is titled from the book, Belonging and Becoming—The Power of Social and Emotional Learning in High Schools by Barbara Cervone and Kathleen Cushman, where Quest ECHS is featured in Chapter 3. If you need examples of how to structure your campus to support students' academic and socialemotional learning needs, this session is for you.

Presenter(s):

Kimberly Mouser Ginger Noyes Daphne Henderson Mendy Knight

Curriculum Facilitator, Quest Early College High School, Humble ISD Principal, Quest Early College High School, Humble ISD Service Learning Coordinator, Quest Early College High School, Humble ISD Lead Counselor, Quest Early College High School, Humble ISD

Room: PRIMROSE C 2:30 PM-3:30 PM





Administrators





Counselors Lead Teachers (HE) IHE







ALL All Participants

4 AUGUST

Best Practices: The Best of Both Worlds





This session will explore best practices for an ECHS model for a school within a school, as well as provide insight on best practices and advantages of an ECHS within a comprehensive high school. We will go over the background of Pasadena ECHS (PECHS) within Pasadena HS (PHS) and discuss the advantages, benefits, availability, and utilization of blended and comprehensive resources. Resources we will discuss include extra-curricular availability, PEP rallies, transportation extensions, administrative resources (discipline, nurse, attendance, library, SPED), counseling services (psychology, special programs, CIS), flexibility in scheduling, tutoring resources, college exposure (collegiate scholars course, SAT prep, college presentations and visits), collaboration with content specialists and departmental planning, professional development, nationally recognized honor societies, after-school programs and clubs, class ranking, and legacy/tradition.

Presenter(s):

Yolanda Holiday-Gourrier Spanish and AVID Elective Teacher, ninth grade team lead,

Pasadena Early College High School, Pasadena ISD

Keith Jenks AP World History/AP US History/AVID Teacher,

Pasadena Early College High School, Pasadena ISD

Room: PRIMROSE C 10:00 AM-11:15 AM



Demonstration Site Campus

Building Transitions/Experiences of Early College High Schools (A)









High school and college are both major transitions for the students who are coming into ECHS as freshmen. As a result, it becomes very important to create an environment in which there will be fewer challenges faced by the students during this transitional experience. In support of Benchmark 4, the presentation will be a blueprint of what our campus has done to support and reduce the challenge of transition. This blueprint is specific to the school's design with a focus on creating a more collegial experience within the high school component of the ECHS.

Presenter(s):

Dr. Tracie Rodriguez Director for Early College Programs and Workforce Development, Collegiate High

School & Harold T. Branch Academy for CTE, Corpus Christi ISD

Social Studies Specialist, Collegiate High School & Harold T. Branch Academy for Dr. Kandace Chapman

CTE, Corpus Christi ISD

Sara Garza English Specialist, Collegiate High School & Harold T. Branch Academy for CTE,

Corpus Christi ISD

Room: PLUMERIA 10:00 AM-11:15 AM



4 AUGUST

College Readiness: It's More Than Just a Test







Early College Academy relies on David Conley's *Four Keys to College Readiness* as a guide to preparing students beyond the Texas Success Initiative (TSI). Once students become college ready based on TSI scores, the real work begins. Utilizing Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) schoolwide, rigor in the classroom, and campus initiatives; Early College Academy students are given opportunities to strengthen their skills to prepare them for what happens once they step into a college classroom.

Presenter(s):

Kristine Guidry Academic Dean, Early College Academy at Southridge, Spring ISD

Diane Erwin Student Support Specialist, Early College Academy at Southridge, Spring ISD

April McAdoo AVID Teacher, Early College Academy at Southridge, Spring ISD

Joseph Nehila AP World History Teacher, Early College Academy at Southridge, Spring ISD

Room: PRIMROSE AB 2:30 PM-3:30 PM



Demonstration Site Campus

Different by Design: A Stand Alone Campus Designed to Operate with Tight Connections to the IHE and the ISD







The presentation will describe and give examples of best practices of stand alone campuses. We will address how to best ensure students have access to college facilities, programs, and services and at the same time have excellent service on the high school side. We will highlight collaboration between the IHE liaison and the principal, and we will show how this collaboration is central to designing systems that result in high performance.

Presenter(s):

Dr. Rene GargantaPrincipal, Early College Academy at Southridge, Spring ISDCynthia RodriguezCTE Teacher, Early College Academy at Southridge, Spring ISDZ. AhmedPhysics Teacher, Early College Academy at Southridge, Spring ISDEnrique SolisSpanish Teacher, Early College Academy at Southridge, Spring ISD

Room: LANTANA 10:00 AM-11:15 AM



Demonstration Site Campus

Early College High School: It's Not Just Dual Credit







The basis for a successful partnership between the higher education partner and the school district is a shared vision based on the early college high school concept. This session will explore the critical issues of design and sustainability including the sharing of data, curriculum, professional development, and scheduling. Participants will have the opportunity to share common pitfalls that endanger the development of a strong partnership.

<u>Presenter(s):</u>

Rosemary Kelly Principal, Legacy Early College High School, Taylor ISD

Room: PRIMROSE D 1:15 PM-2:15 PM





A Administrators



Counselors Lead Teachers HE IHE







All All Participants

4 AUGUST

Establishing School Culture with Student Agency





Early College High School is a school reform model that targets students who are primarily at risk, low income, ESL, and first generation college-goers. In support of Benchmark 6, Collegiate High School staff build school culture by giving our students a voice and a choice, which builds student agency. As with everything, when people care about their culture and their environment, then they do everything they can to contribute to its growth and well-being. It takes a team to be successful. A community cannot grow if the growth depends on one person. Our team is all-inclusive: administrators, counselor, teachers, and staff. Each role is vital to our school's culture. This session will present and discuss strategies to help give students a voice and a choice in order to establish a healthy school culture, including administrators who allow for student feedback, counselors who allow for student choice, and teachers who allow students to make decisions about their lessons.

Presenter(s):

Principal, Collegiate High School & Harold T. Branch Academy for CTE, Dr. Tracie Rodriguez

Corpus Christi ISD

Vidal Anzaldua Counselor, Collegiate High School, Corpus Christi ISD Teacher, Collegiate High School, Corpus Christi ISD **Krystal Watson**

Room: PLUMERIA 1:15 PM-2:15 PM



Demonstration Site Campus

Leading and Learning in Early College: Lessons Learned



"Early colleges are a rapidly spreading effort to increase students' access to post-secondary education." (Edmunds, Kappan, February 2016). What is an early college high school? What are the specific processes to consider in order to become designated? How is the early college movement "shaking it up?" The Texas early college high school model is a successful innovation for first time, under-represented college-goers as they move toward college readiness and post-secondary success. Using the Early College High School Blueprint (which models how schools and their districts can start the process of building an early college), Trinidad "Trini" Garza ECHS will share lessons learned in the process of developing an early college. As an identified Demonstration Early College site, Garza ECHS will also share our story of success on state accountability metrics and on the ACT; Garza ECHS won the 2016 ACT College Readiness Transition award for the state of Texas. Our lessons learned in developing this innovation are "shaking it up through a seismic shift in leading and learning."

Presenter(s):

Dr. Janice Lombardi Jazmin Greenwood **Monica Crawford**

Principal, Trinidad "Trini" Garza Early College High School, Dallas ISD School Counselor, Trinidad "Trini" Garza Early College High School, Dallas ISD School Counselor, Trinidad "Trini" Garza Early College High School, Dallas ISD

Room: PRIMROSE C 1:15 PM-2:15 PM

4 AUGUST

People. Partnership. Performance: The Measure of Unity



Together with passion, Pharr San Juan Alamo (PSJA) North ECHS & South Texas College (STC) have established trust and transparency by creating a national model focused on partnerships that has attracted educators from across the state and nation. During this session, you will learn about how PSJA ISD & STC have collaborated to set logistics for innovation, dedication, and technology through a current signed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

Presenter(s):

Linda Carrillo Principal, PSJA North Early College High School,

PSJA ISD

Adriana Garcia Early College High School Director, PSJA North Early College High School,

PSJA ISD

Corina Lopez-Garcia PSJA/STC College Transitional Specialist, PSJA North Early College High School,

PSJA ISD

Matthew Hebbard Dean of Enrollment Services and Registrar, South Texas College

Room: CAMELLIA 2:30 PM-3:30 PM



Demonstration Site Campus

Purposeful and Adaptable School Design









Presenters will get to know the audience, the schools participating, and what they hope to learn from the session. This will allow the presenters to gear the presentation and conversation toward the audience needs. Memorial ECHS (MECHS) will highlight how it has progressed in Benchmark 6 for each indicator and where our strengths and areas of growth are. We will share the products and the thinking behind them, and highlight our use of data to inform decisions as well as strong professional development. In addition, MECHS will share the evolving relationship with the IHE in meeting the needs of MECHS while MECHS supports the vision and mission of the IHE. Participants will identify strategies they currently use and share strategies with each other so that each ECHS leaves with at least three new "change ideas" or strategies that help solidify Benchmark 6.

<u>Presenter(s):</u>

Meredith Pappas Assistant Principal & Instructional Coach, Alamo Colleges-Memorial Early

College High School, Comal ISD

Tia WeidenfellerCounselor, Alamo Colleges-Memorial Early College High School, Comal ISD

Jessica Flores College Coordinator of High School Programs, St. Philip's College–Alamo Colleges

Room: PLUMERIA 2:30 PM-3:30 PM





Administrators





Counselors Lead Teachers HE IHE







ALL All Participants

4 AUGUST

Roscoe Collegiate HS: A Tried and True Model for Rural ECHS



The Roscoe Collegiate High School (RCHS) Director of ECHS and principal will walk through the transformation of RCHS from a conventional, small, rural school to a leader in college readiness. For the last two years, 90% of RCHS's senior cohorts earned associate degrees at the time of high school graduation.

Presenter(s):

Jacob Tiemann Director of ECHS/STEM, Roscoe Collegiate HS, Roscoe ISD

Room: CAMELLIA 10:00 AM-11:15 AM



Demonstration Site Campus

Standing Strong as a Stand Alone







This session will be carefully crafted around a selection of foundational ideas, structures, and practices that facilitate the Early College High School experience. We will explore the 5 T's: textbooks, training, testing, transportation, and tutoring, while focusing on results.

Presenter(s):

Virna M. Bazan Principal, PSJA Thomas Jefferson T-STEM Early College High School, PSJA ISD Mariza Saenz Assistant Principal, PSJA Thomas Jefferson T-STEM Early College High School,

PSJA ISD

Transition Specialist, PSJA Thomas Jefferson T-STEM Early College High School, Corina Lopez-Garcia

PSJA ISD

Room: PRIMROSE AB 10:00 AM-11:15 AM

4 AUGUST

Strategies for Obtaining and Sustaining Exemplar Status within Benchmark 2: Partnership Agreement









The success of any ECHS is based not only on student performance but also on a strong and solid partnership agreement between the ECHS and the IHE partner institution(s). Bryan Collegiate High School (BCHS) demonstrates an exemplar status in Benchmark 2 because our partnership agreements are strong and we are partnered with two institutions of higher education: Blinn College, a two-year community college, and Texas A&M University, a Tier-I four-year university. The BCHS leadership team works diligently with the IHE's to ensure that students are being served to the maximum extent allowable per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

Presenter(s):

Dana Bechuck Lead Teacher, Bryan Collegiate High School, Bryan ISD

Room: CAMELLIA 1:15 PM-2:15 PM



Demonstration Site Campus

Successfully Targeting At Risk Students (STARS)



Pasadena Early College High School (PECHS) has successfully implemented strategies for obtaining and sustaining Exemplar status within Benchmark 1 by focusing on its singular goal of serving students defined as "at risk" of dropping out. For PECHS in particular, this is no small task, as 90% of the total student population zoned to Pasadena High School (PHS) and its feeder schools fit the Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS) at risk criteria. To aid and encourage this large and underserved pool of students to view PECHS as a viable option, the program has utilized an open application system that is simple to understand for both students and parents. Enrollment has no advanced academic requirements or minimum GPA, and previous academic performance is not a deciding factor. Additionally, efforts are made to seek out students who would be the first in their families to attend college and might otherwise feel discouraged in pursuing higher education. PECHS is also designed to serve student interests beyond the classroom with its hybrid schedule that allows for both elective classes and extracurricular activities, further encouraging potential applicants who also wish to pursue sports, fine arts, or other interests. These specific measures, along with the others outlined in Benchmark 1, have helped to establish PECHS as a working example of what is possible when higher education helps at risk students beat the odds and obtain a college degree.

Presenter(s):

Aldo Prado Dean of Instruction, Pasadena Early College High School, Pasadena ISD **Jennifer Davis** Department Head, AVID Coordinator/Teacher, Pasadena Early College High

School, Pasadena ISD

Joe Saavedra Principal, Pasadena HS, Pasadena ISD

Room: LANTANA 2:30 PM-3:30 PM



Administrators





Counselors Lead Teachers HE IHE







All All Participants

4 AUGUST

TSI Success for All: Implementing a Support System for **Student Success**





This session will address the implementation of our Texas Success Initiative (TSI) readiness support system. As a TSI assessment site, we will review the process of allowing frequent testing and access to data that can be used to identify student weaknesses and create prescriptive intervention and individualized instructional plans to improve student readiness and success.

Presenter(s):

Virna M. Bazan Principal, PSJA Thomas Jefferson T-STEM Early College High School, PSJA ISD Mariza Saenz Assistant Principal, PSJA Thomas Jefferson T-STEM Early College High School,

PSJA ISD

Maria Imelda Flores College Readiness, PSJA Thomas Jefferson T-STEM Early College High School,

PSJA ISD

1:15 PM-2:15 PM Room: PRIMROSE AB



Demonstration Site Campus

Working Together to Build a Stronger Future









The essence of a strong partnership is communication and a commitment to each other. Ysleta ISD and El Paso Community College (EPCC) began their relationship in 2006 with talks to open an early college high school on the Valle Verde campus of EPCC. With the formation of Valle Verde ECHS, the two institutions have built a relationship through formal and informal meetings, workshops, conferences, and luncheons. This relationship has not only survived the change of administration at all levels, it has continued to grow. In our discussion today, we will share how we have evolved from a working relationship to partnership to almost a single educational enterprise with one goal in mind...creating a stronger future for our collective students.

Presenter(s):

Principal, Valle Verde Early College High School, Ysleta ISD **Paul Covey**

Tonie Badillo Instructional Dean of Dual Credit and Early College High School, El Paso

Community College

Dual Credit English Instructor, Valle Verde Early College High School, Ysleta ISD Carolina Herrera Margie Nelson Rodriguez ECHS Initiatives Coordinator/Associate English Professor, El Paso Community

College

Room: PRIMROSE D 2:30 PM-3:30 PM



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Building an Early College High School Student Data Management System



The Pharr San Juan Alamo (PSJA) ISD technology department has partnered with its two ECHS demonstration sites, PSJA North and Thomas Jefferson T-STEM ECHS to develop a data system for collecting student data aligned with the TEA ECHS Blueprint in Benchmarks 1, 4, and 5. The data collection and reporting system contains elements that report: student backgrounds and demographics; student results on assessments, such as PSAT, EOCs, and TSI; academic, social, and emotional interventions; and grades on high school and college courses. The intent of the data tracking system is to create an efficient and effective tool for collecting and managing student data to facilitate planning and decision-making to ensure successful student outcomes in early college high schools. The intent of the presentation is to provide an overview of the preliminary data management system being developed by PSJA ISD with the expectation that this data management tool can become a model for statewide sharing.

Presenter(s):

Adrian GarciaChief Technology Office, PSJA ISDBobbie Sue GonzalezCollege for all Project Director, PSJA ISD

Sylvia Hatton ECHS Leadership Coach

Room: PRIMROSE D 1:15 PM-2:15 PM

Creating Individualized and Sustainable Academic Support









Participants will learn how to develop an academic support plan based on the RtI model that can be customized to the students who need academic support. The participants will discuss how to develop a plan that grows as students move from mostly high school courses to mostly college courses.

Presenter:

Julia Gentry ECHS Leadership Coach
Room: PLUMERIA 2:30 PM—3:30 PM

ECHS Designation Application



This session will address all required components of the TEA ECHS Designation Application. Topics will include examining the ECHS Blueprint and all criteria associated with each benchmark. Particular areas to be considered are recruitment planning, student application, selection process, Memorandum of Understanding, data sharing between entities, supporting documents, and other critical pieces that must be addressed and/or included within the application. Sample documents, resources, materials, and time for questions and answers will be available.

Presenter:

Sarah Croft ECHS Leadership Coach

Room:

PRIMROSE BALLROOM 9:00 AM-10:00 AM



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All All Participants

5 AUGUST

Freer Early College High School: A Different Kind of **Early College**







Our active partnership with our IHE supports benchmark 2, 3, 4, and 5 in various, innovative ways. We are committed to ensure that every decision that we make supports our students in all aspects. Our leadership committee meets regularly to ensure that our students are receiving the utmost support, both academically and socially, throughout their early college high school experience. The university and the ISD properly plan rigorous activities for all of our early college high school students. Our goal is to see all students excel through their education.

Presenter(s):

Dr. Minita Ramirez Vice-President for Student Success, Texas A&M International University

Conrad Cantu Principal, Freer High School, Freer ISD Linda Hinojosa Administrator, Freer High School, Freer ISD

Dr. Frances Perez Chief Academic Officer, Freer ISD

Room: PRIMROSE AB 2:30 PM-3:30 PM

La Vega ECHS: Making It Work for Academic and CTE Preparation



This presentation will highlight processes used between La Vega Early College High School and their two IHE partners: McLennan Community College and Texas Technical College. This unique partnership allows students to select pathways for academic or CTE/workforce preparation. Learn from our successes and challenges as we blaze trails in the central Texas community for our students and their college experiences.

Presenter(s):

Elicia Krumnow Director, La Vega Early College High School, La Vega ISD Joyce Cole Counselor, La Vega Early College High School, La Vega ISD

Londa Carriveau Dual Credit Liaison, McLennan Community College/La Vega Early College High

School

Clarisa de la Fuente Director of Dual Enrollment, Texas State Technical College

Room: PLUMFRIA 1:15 PM-2:15 PM

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New ECHS Principal Boot Camp



School principals face many challenges, especially in their first year at a school. Compound that with early college high school requirements, which require deliberate work with your higher education partner. The ECHS principal has to work with protocols and procedures associated with the higher educational partner along with those of the ISD. This session offers lessons learned and experiences on recruitment, parent and community involvement, budget, staffing, curriculum, scheduling, student assessment, access to student data, student motivation, and establishing school traditions.

Presenter:

Yvette Cavazos ECHS Leadership Coach

Room: CAMELLIA 1:15 PM-2:15 PM

Palo Alto College ECHS Consortium: Three Models, One Solution





Palo Alto College (PAC) in San Antonio, Texas, currently serves five early college high schools using three different models: school within a school (South San Academy, Southside ACES), stand alone (Harlandale STEM, Somerset ZECLA), and on-campus (Frank Madla ECHS). Using a college initiated governance structure, the PAC ECHS Consortium has established a partnership leadership team designed to address the needs of all five high school partners. College administrators, staff, and faculty meet on a monthly basis with high school administrators, principals, and counselors to communicate best practices, identify and address challenges and concerns, discuss responsibility and accountability, align curriculum pathways, share resources, work toward continuous improvement, and plan activities that lead to student success. Additionally, Palo Alto College has initiated a strategic plan to develop 12-month, 2-year, and 5-year plans to address the priorities of the ECHS Consortium. Come hear from the college director of high school programs and three high school principals about how their governance structure supports academic student success.

Presenter(s):

Monica Ayala Jimenez Director of High School Programs, Palo Alto College

Dr. Eddie Rodriguez Principal, Harlandale STEM Early College High School, Harlandale ISD

Jeffery Flores Principal, Frank Madla Early College High School, New Frontiers Charter School,

Harlandale ISD

Xochitl Martinez Executive Director, South San Early College Academy, South San ISD

Room: PRIMROSE D 2:30 PM-3:30 PM



Administrators





Counselors Lead Teachers HE IHE







All All Participants

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Parent University—A Plan to Educate Parents!



Parent University is a way to involve parents through learning, utilizing the resources of your IHE partner and school district to assist with educating parents. Building a program that meets your campus needs is the key; we will walk you through our process, plan, and partnership implementation.

Presenter(s):

Lisa Castillo Principal, Tarrant County College/Fort Worth ISD Collegiate High School

Teacher/Administrative Intern, Tarrant County College/Fort Worth ISD Collegiate **Amy Draper**

Ingrid McMillian Counselor, Tarrant County College/Fort Worth ISD Collegiate High School

Room: CAMELLIA 2:30 PM-3:30 PM

Retain Teachers, Promote Student Success









The success of early college high schools depends on recruiting and retaining the best teachers and preventing student attrition. This presentation explores the symbiotic relationship between investing in teachers and motivating students all the way through graduation from an ECHS.

Presenter(s):

Dr. Blanca Garcia Principal, Transmountain Early College High School, El Paso ISD

Rachel Adame Anderson Active Learning Leader, Transmountain Early College High School, El Paso ISD

Room: LANTANA 2:30 PM-3:30 PM

Rising Raptor: A Model for Bringing ECHS to Primary Grades







The Rising Raptors program is an innovative approach to expand ECHS recruiting to include "at risk" students in elementary schools who may not otherwise consider the possibility of attending college. Through collaboration with district elementary school administrators and counselors, the Judson Early College Academy (JECA) implements a comprehensive approach to exposing students to the ECHS/IHE model by creating a meaningful, memorable experience that focuses on the advantages and opportunities at JECA, strategies for academic success, and educational goal-setting. This session provides attendees with a framework for targeting ECHS Benchmark 1 in a way that promotes long-term, sustainable student success.

Presenter(s):

Josephine Juarez Assistant Principal, Judson Early College Academy, Judson ISD

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Scheduling in Early College High School



Scheduling of college coursework in conjunction with high school classes can be a difficult task. This session will take you through the process of planning the master schedule at your high school alongside the higher education partner. Take the headache out of the process!

Presenter(s):

Alejandra Cantu Dual Enrollment Planning & Scheduling Manager, South Texas College

Sofia Pena Director of ECHS, South Texas College

Room: PRIMROSE C 1:15 PM-2:15 PM

Strategies for Student Success: TSI Edition



TSI success in early college is critical to student success, and the earlier students are TSI complete, the earlier they can enroll in college coursework. Preparing students to successfully complete the TSI takes a strong curriculum, led by a team of teachers with passion to motivate students for success.

Presenter(s):

William Morley ECHS Instructional Coach/AVID Teacher/Dual Enrollment Speech Instructor,

J. Economedes High School, Edinburg CISD

Sofia Pena Director of ECHS at South Texas College, South Texas College

Room: PRIMROSE C 2:30 PM-3:30 PM

SCHOOL MODELS

CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION (CTE)

Connally Career Tech Early College High School Galena Park CTE Early College High School H. Grady Spruce High School Harlandale ISD STEM Early College High School Harold T. Branch Academy for CTE La Joya STEM Early College High School Mission CTE Early College High School Odessa College Technical Early College High School PSJA College, Career and Technology Academy PSJA Thomas Jefferson T-STEM Early College High School Royal STEM Academy Valley View T-STEM Early College High School Weslaco 21st Century CTE

STAND ALONE @ IHE

Achieve Early College High School
Alief Early College High School
Arlington Collegiate High School
Brownsville Early College High School
Challenge Early College High School
Clear Horizons Early College High School
Collegiate High School
Dr. Wight L. Lassiter Jr. Early College High School at

El Centro College
Early College High School at Brookhaven College

Early College High School at Brookhaven College Early College High School at Midland College Early College High School- Harlingen CISD East Early College High School

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Valle Verde Early College High School on EPCC

Victory Early College High School

Mercedes Early College Academy

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Beaumont ISD Early College High School
Bryan Collegiate High School
Cedar Hill Collegiate High School
Clint ISD Early College Academy
Cotton Valley Early College High School
Del Rio Early College High School
Early College Academy @ Southridge
Houston Academy for International Studies
IMPACT Early College High School at Lee College
Infinity Early College High School
Jimmy Carter Early College High School
Kathylyn Joy Gilliam Collegiate Academy
Legacy Early College High School

Miami High School
Mission Collegiate High School
Paul and Jane Meyer Public High School
PSJA Elvis J. Ballew High School
Quest Early College High School
Sharyland Advanced Academy
Sonia M. Sotomayor Early College High School
South Early College High School
Southside High School
Texas Academy of Biomedical Sciences
Travis Early College High School (San Antonio)
Waxahachie Global High School

SCHOOL MODELS

SCHOOL-WIDE / K-12 RURAL

Balmorhea Early College High School Academy Chapel Hill Early College High School (Tyler)

Colorado River Collegiate Early College at Economedes Elgin Early College High School Freer Early College High School

Gladys Porter Early College High School

H.M. King High School Harlingen High School Harlingen High School South

Hebbronville Early College High School

James Pace Early College High School

John H. Reagan High School Karnes City High School

Knippa Collegiate Early College High School

La Joya Early College High School

La Villa Early College High School Lopez Early College High School

Lyndon B. Johnson Early College High School

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PSJA Southwest High School Roscoe Collegiate High School Seguin Early College High School Simon Rivera Early College High School Splendora Early College High School Tioga Early College High School Veterans Early College High School

Woden High School

Zacharias Early College High School

SCHOOL WITHIN A SCHOOL (SWS)

Alice Early College High School Burges Early College High School Burleson Collegiate High School

Crowley Collegiate Early College High School

Del Valle Early College High School
DeSoto Early College High School
Dilley Early College High School
Early College High School at North
Edcouch-Elsa Early College High School
Edinburg Collegiate Prep High School
Estacado Early College High School

Everman Early College High School

G.W. Brackenridge High School

Grand Prairie Early College High School

Hidalgo Early College High School

Homer Hanna Early College High School

Judson High School: Early College IB World School

Karen Wagner Early College High School

Kermit Early College High School La Vega Early College High School

Longview Early College High School

Monte Alto High School

Nacogdoches Early College High School Pasadena Early College High School

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Raymondville High School

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Robert Vela Early College High School Robstown Early College High School San Diego Early College High School Shallowater Early College High School at

Woodward Academy

Sheldon Early College High School Silsbee Early College High School

Slaton High School Socorro Early College

South Grand Prairie Early College High School South San Antonio Early College High School Travis Early College High School (Austin)

Tyler ISD Early College High School United Early College High School

University Preparatory High School Program Veterans Memorial Early College High School

W.W. Samuell High School

Weslaco Early College High School Weslaco East Early College High School

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Wink-Loving Early College High School

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