

Bay City Independent School District

520 7th Street, Bay City, TX 77414

Early College High School Admission Procedures

Thank you for your interest in the Early College high School. Before completing the enclosed application, we request that you carefully consider the information below to determine if this program is the most suitable education experience for you/your child.

Bay City Early College High School's primary focus is on providing students from underrepresented backgrounds (i.e. at-risk, low income and/or first generation college attendees) the opportunity to earn up to 60 college credits while attending high school. Bay City Early College High School program will also provide academic, social-emotional, and financial support to ECHS students in order to maximize their potential for success.

Application Criteria

Eligibility

- Students must be enrolled in the Bay City Independent School District during recruitment timeline.
- Classified as a first year Grade 9 student.
- Identified as at-risk, English Language Learner, first generation to attend college, low socioeconomic, and or an underrepresented student.
- Display the potential for college-level work while in middle school.
- Committed to education.

Application Process

1. Student or parent expresses a desire to pursue Early College High School by attending mandatory Bay City Early College Information Meeting/Orientation.
2. Administrator and/or counselor conduct an in-depth orientation for both the parents and students. This orientation will cover the structure, goals, intent, and standard expectations of BCISD and Bay City ECHS.
3. Student and parent/guardian will complete the ECHS application: answering designated questions and submitting it in person to Bay City Junior High School Counseling Department on or before the deadline.
4. Review of the ECHS application is done blindly with all identifying information hidden from the selection committee. The selection committee consists of Central Administration, Campus Administration, Counselors, and Teachers of Bay City Early College High School and Bay City Junior High.
5. Complete applications that meet the selection criteria are placed in a weighted lottery pool in which students are chosen to become the future ECHS cohort.
6. Selected applicants and their parents/guardians are notified through official mail two weeks following the lottery drawing.
7. Parents/ guardians and students have two weeks to return the BCECHS COMMITMENT FORM TO THE Bay City Junior High School Counseling Department of their acceptance of the invitation to become a member of the Early College High School.