

# Next Step Center

**HAPPY 2023!!!**

We are excited to welcome our new counselor Mrs. Orr. She will be working with students with last names Lim-Rob.

With the retirement of Mr. Presley and Mrs. Littlejohn we have a new administrative division of students.

Ms. Hoover, Associate Principal,  
A-Gri

Mr. Cortez, Assistant Principal,  
Gro-Oy

Ms. Bendele, Assistant Principal,  
Oz-Z

The Next Step Center is located in the commons area by the competition gym. All students are encouraged to stop in! Students can get assistance with college applications, FAFSA, requesting transcripts, scheduling college visits, learning about internships and apprenticeships, resume writing help and the list goes on!! Whatever the student's plans are for life after high school, the Next Step Center can assist students.

## WHAT'S IN THIS ISSUE:

- SAT & ACT Testing
- TSIA2
- Scholarships
- NCAA
- FASFA
- Grade Specific Info
- **Senior Parent Meeting:**  
**Jan 24th @ 6:30pm in the Auditorium**



## Who do I contact???

### Counselors:

Ms. Nasser - Students (A - Fern) 830-672-6020  
Ms. Wilson - Students (Fero-Lil) 830-627-6014  
Mrs. Orr - Students (Lim-Rob) 830-627-6008  
Mrs. Patterson - Students (Roc-Z) 830-327-6021

Next Step Center - College & Career Advisor  
Mrs. Horner 830-627-6075

College, Career & Military Readiness Advisor  
Ms. Norbury 830-627-6035

# How Do I....



If requesting a transcript for Texas A&M or Texas Tech select the "mail" option for delivery.

[How to see an Unofficial View of Transcript](#)

**If requesting an education verification to apply for a job or enter the military please request through Parchment.**

## REQUEST MY HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT??

You will find this link at the bottom of the high school web page. Students can see their transcripts for free. There is a cost to send them to colleges or employers. Contact Ms. Cobb in Student Services if you are having problems accessing your parchment account.  
[scobb@nbisd.org](mailto:scobb@nbisd.org)

## REQUEST MY TRANSCRIPT FROM DUAL CREDIT CLASSES, AP & ONRAMP CLASSES I TOOK

\*To request transcripts for classes taken through Northeast Lakeview or UT Austin students will need to go to the schools websites to request official transcripts. There is a cost.

\*AP exam scores are requested through College Board. Sign-in to your My AP

**\*\*Class Rank and GPAs will be updated after first semester grades have been posted and processed.**

**\*\*Request a free copy of your transcript the first of February.**

**\*\*Knowing your GPA and Rank is something you should be tracking all throughout high school!**

# Applying for College

- Apply Texas <https://prod.applytexas.org/>
- Common App <https://www.commonapp.org/>  
over 950 schools on the app
- Coalition  
<https://www.coalitionforcollegeaccess.org/>
- Individual College Website

## **2023 College Application Deadlines in Texas WHAT TEXAS COLLEGES ARE STILL ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS?**

High school seniors, stay on track for your Fall 2023 college applications with this deadline schedule for the 2023/2024 academic year. Be sure to confirm the dates with the schools directly. There are currently 58 colleges in Texas still accepting applications and 2 with Fall admission deadlines within the next thirty days.

<https://www.collegesimply.com/guides/application-deadlines/texas/>

<http://www.collegeforalltexans.com/apps/applycollege.cfm>

<https://www.bestcolleges.com/blog/college-application-deadlines/>

# When Do I....

## SAT Test Dates

2022-2023 SAT Test Dates and Deadlines		
Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline/Deadline for Changes
October 1, 2022	September 2, 2022	September 20, 2022
November 5, 2022	October 7, 2022	October 25, 2022
December 3, 2022	November 3, 2022	November 22, 2022
March 11, 2023	February 10, 2023	February 28, 2023
May 6, 2023	April 7, 2023	April 25, 2023
June 3, 2023	May 4, 2023	May 23, 2023

**Wednesday March 1st - all Juniors will be taking the SAT**

January 10, 2023 is the deadline to submit a request for test accommodations for March 1st.

### Take these simple steps to get ready:

#### 1 CREATE A COLLEGE BOARD ACCOUNT

You'll need a College Board account to view your SAT® scores when they're ready. You can also search for colleges and build a college list. If you don't have an account yet, create one at [collegeboard.org/mysat](https://collegeboard.org/mysat). All junior who took the PSAT in the Fall should already have an account. Log in, however, to check your information and make any updates.

#### 2 DECIDE WHERE TO SEND YOUR SCORES

On or before test day, you can choose which colleges, universities, and/or scholarship programs to send your four free score reports to. Be ready with your list. The SAT is accepted by all U.S. colleges. Learn more at [sat.org/send-scores](https://sat.org/send-scores).

#### 3 SIGN UP FOR FREE PRACTICE ON KHAN ACADEMY

Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy® is FREE for all students and the best way to prepare. It includes videos, eight full-length practice tests, and thousands of practice questions with instant feedback. Sign up at [satpractice.org](https://satpractice.org) for your personalized study plan.

#### 4 EARN BIGFUTURE SCHOLARSHIPS

Earn your chance at a \$40,000 and \$500 scholarship when you complete one timed mini section or one diagnostic quiz with Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy. To learn more and sign up, visit: [bigfuturescholarships.org](https://bigfuturescholarships.org).

5 Log into your College Board Account and look at your PSAT results to get customized tutoring assistance and plans.

College Board provides all students who took the PSAT with a break down of all questions missed and an explanation of what was the correct answer and why. Take time to work through all the sections prior to your next testing date.

# Planning for next school year....

## Engineering Academy

### Texas A&M-Chevron Engineering Academy at Alamo Colleges District - Northeast Lakeview College

#### *Engineering Brighter Futures*

Get a head start on your Texas A&M engineering degree by applying for the Texas A&M-Chevron Engineering Academy at the Alamo Colleges District – Northeast Lakeview College. Offered in partnership with Texas A&M University's College of Engineering, this unique program offers students an opportunity to pursue an engineering degree while co-enrolled at Texas A&M and the Alamo Colleges District. Students are able to save money during their first two years – when they will take engineering courses taught by Texas A&M faculty at Northeast Lakeview College before transitioning to the Texas A&M campus in College Station. The Texas Workforce Commission projects a 25 percent growth in engineering jobs statewide in the next decade.

#### *Why the Academy?*

The Texas A&M-Chevron Engineering Academy offers students:

- Admission to the College of Engineering at Texas A&M University-College Station from day one.
- An opportunity to take Texas A&M engineering courses from Texas A&M faculty on the NLC campus.
- An opportunity to join a community of Engineering Academy peers by taking math, science, and engineering courses with other Engineering Academy students.
- An opportunity to participate in student activities and organizations at both institutions to the extent possible.
- An affordable pathway to earning a Texas A&M engineering degree.
- Guaranteed full admission to Texas A&M upon successful completion of the two-year program.
- An opportunity to apply for early entry into a degree-granting major within the College of Engineering at Texas A&M, if qualified.

The Engineering Academy at Alamo Colleges District - Northeast Lakeview College is for Alamo Colleges District students who have achieved a high school diploma or equivalent and are pre-calculus or calculus ready as determined by NLC.

#### *Interested students must:*

- Be able to maintain full-time student status each semester at the Alamo Colleges for at least one year before transitioning to A&M.
- Satisfy **one** of the math readiness criteria to be qualified for the Engineering Academy:
  - **COLLEGE CREDIT:** Your current college transcripts show credit for College Algebra, Trigonometry, Precalculus, or Calculus I with a grade of **A, B, or C**.
  - **HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT:** If you are a current high school student and have completed Algebra II, Honors Precalculus, Pre-Ap Precalculus, or AP Calculus course with a grade of **A, B, or C**.
  - **STANDARD EXAMINATION:** Have an ACT math score of at least **26** or an SAT math score of at least **581**.

#### *Steps to Apply:*

- Complete the [Alamo Colleges District Admissions Application](#)
- Complete the [Pre-qualification Form](#)
- Submit proof of math-ready status to [nlc-engineering@alamo.edu](mailto:nlc-engineering@alamo.edu)

Alamo Colleges will provide pre-qualified students the link to the Texas A&M Engineering Academy Application. Successful applicants will receive an offer of admission from Texas A&M University to the Engineering Academy at Alamo Colleges District. They will be advised on how to accept the offer and register for courses.

Note: New NLC students must take the SAT or ACT prior to applying to Texas A&M University.



# When Do I....

## TSIA2 Testing

Initial Testing for 10th, 11th, and 12th grades wrapped up prior to Winter Break. There will be additional opportunities for students to test starting in February. Qualifying TSIA, SAT or ACT scores are required to enroll in Dual Credit classes for the 2023-2024 school year!!

### Complete the Pre-Assessment

This pre-assessment is required by the state of Texas to be completed **BEFORE** a student can take the TSI. It also provides students with more information about the TSI as well as valuable practice.

- \* Students must create an account for the Practice APP if one has not already been created. Use your personal email address.

- \* After successfully logging in, select Texas Success Initiative 2.0 Pre-Assessment Activity (TSIA-2-PAA)

- \* Click on Begin Pre-Assessment Activity

- \* Choose New Braunfels High School as the campus where you plan to take the TSIA2

- \* Forward your Certificate of Completion to Ms. Norbury, [kerrynorburykubicki@nbisd.org](mailto:kerrynorburykubicki@nbisd.org) or Mrs. Horner [jhorner@nbisd.org](mailto:jhorner@nbisd.org).

**You will not be allowed to test unless Ms. Norbury or Mrs. Horner has a copy of your Certificate of Completion**

### **Test Prep Resources:**

**TSIA2 Student Portal**

**TSIA2 Learning Resources**(Click on Enter Student Site)

**XL Math TSI Preparation**

**IXL English TSI Preparation**

After you have completed the Pre-Assessment click on the link below to register for the next available TSIA testing date.

**TSIA GoogleDoc**

# 2023-2024 Course Registration

Counselors have been meeting with Juniors and will be meeting with Sophomores to have initial conversations about the schedules for next year. Students have the opportunity to enroll in Dual Credit classes after they have taken & met scores on the TSIA2. OnRamps courses do not require the TSIA2, however, they are equally as challenging and rigorous. Below is information for both programs. We may be adding additional classes to both programs, this is a preliminary list.

## **DUAL CREDIT - offered through Northeast Lakeview College**

**\*\*Must meet TSIA, SAT or ACT minimums to be eligible to register for Dual Credit classes.**

**\*\*Must complete the ApplyTexas application/ Northeast Lakeview College and select Fall 2023**

Dual Credit college courses are designed to challenge students by exposing them to college level work while still in high school. Students are typically successful in these programs if they are responsible, task oriented, proficient readers, and capable of effectively managing their time. Motivation is key to being successful in these rigorous courses. Students should be able to deal maturely with sophisticated concepts and to persevere in the face of a challenge. The decision to take Dual Credit college courses is extremely important because the courses, grades, and credit hours will be on your college transcript forever. Recommendations for success: (1) Don't take too many at a time. (2) Consider other obligations and time commitments. (3) Practice good study skills and follow directions and syllabus without reminders. (4) Ask questions, participate in class, and ask for assistance when needed.

## **ONRAMPS - offered through UT Austin**

OnRamps works through a dual enrollment model. Using a hybrid delivery approach, students meet rigorous university-level college readiness standards and have the opportunity to earn UT Austin credit from a UT faculty member and high school credit from their local teacher. All OnRamps courses can be applied to the Texas Common Core and are guaranteed to transfer to any public institution in Texas. <https://onramps.utexas.edu/>

Eligible students may elect to enroll in an OnRamps course for a letter grade. If the student earns and accepts credit in the course, the grade will appear on the student's university transcript. A letter grade of D- or better is considered passing.

OnRamps college credit earned for a letter grade of C- or above for courses with a Core Curriculum designation are required by law to transfer to any public higher education institution in the state of Texas. These are noted in the Texas Core Code column in the below table.

# DUAL CREDIT - offered through Northeast Lakeview College

NLC Course Name & Course Number	NBHS Course Name	NBHS Course Number	# of College Credits	Length of Course
Composition  ENGL 1301/1302	English III DC	1223	6	Full year
Composition  ENGL 1301/1302	English IV DC For seniors taking DC English for the first time	1323	6	Full year
British Literature ENGL 2322/2323	English IV DC For seniors taking DC English for a second year	1333	6	Full year
College Algebra MATH 1414	College Algebra DC For students taking College Algebra Prep 1st semester	3160	4	Spring Only
College Algebra/Pre-Cal MATH 1414/2412	College Algebra DC & Pre-Calculus DC For students who have qualifying math score. Students earn a full year of math for each course.	3161 & 3363	8	Full year
Environmental Science BIOL 2406	Environmental Science DC	3644	4	Fall DC & AP for the Spring
Federal Government GOVT 2305	Government DC	2350	3	Fall or Spring
US History HIST 1301/1302	US History DC	2243	6	Full year
MDCA 1313	Medical Terminology DC Students must be enrolled in full year option.	6111	3	Spring Only



## ONRAMPS - offered through UT Austin

OnRamps College Course Title & UT Austin Course Code	NBHS Course Name	NBHS Course Number	# of College Credits	Length of Course
Elementary Statistical Methods / SDS 301 TCCNS Equivalency: MATH 1342	On Ramps STATS	3405	3	Full Year
Mechanics, Heat, and Sound / PHY302K & Physics Lab PHY 102M (Lab) TCCNS Equivalency: PHYS 1101 & PHYS 1101	On Ramps Physics	3555	4	Full Year
The History of the United States, 1492-1865 / HIS315K TCCNS Equivalency: HIST 1301	On Ramps US History	2230	3	Full Year

# How Do I....



<https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/>

## Want to Compete at an NCAA School?

*Create the Eligibility Center account that's right for you!*

If you want to compete in NCAA sports, you need to register with the NCAA Eligibility Center. Plan to register before starting your freshman year of high school (or year nine of secondary school). The information below will help guide you through the registration process.

To get started, review the three account options and choose the one that's right for you! You'll only need to create one account with the Eligibility Center. Starting with the free Profile Page is best practice, as you can transition it later to the Certification account needed for your circumstances.

Option 1:  
Free Profile Page Account

Who should create this account?

Option 2:  
Amateurism-Only Certification Account

Who should create this account?

Option 3:  
Academic and Amateurism Certification Account

Who should create this account?

## Already have an NCAA account?

If unsure, please contact Customer Service at 877-262-1492 for assistance, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern time

[Click to Log In](#)

## APPLYING TO MILITARY ACADEMIES **ACE THE ASVAB**

The ASVAB is a timed, multi-aptitude test, which is given at more than 14,000 schools and Military Entrance Processing Stations (MEPS) nationwide and is developed and maintained by the Defense Department (DoD).

The ASVAB helps the DoD not just determine whether you are a good fit to join the service, but also which service branch you might be best for and even what military jobs you can hold after you finish basic training or boot camp. The better your ASVAB score, the broader your options.

- [ASVAB Study Guide](#)
- [ASVAB Practice Test](#)
- [10 Steps to Joining](#)
- [Army ASVAB Scores](#)
- [Navy ASVAB Scores](#)
- [Air Force ASVAB Scores](#)
- [ASVAB Scores and Marine Corps Jobs](#)
- [Minimum ASVAB Scores](#)
- [Guard or Reserve](#)
- [Enlistment Bonuses](#)

# SCHOLARSHIPS - NOT JUST FOR SENIORS!

## Scholarships for High School Seniors: Tips for Searching & Applying!

Look, the search and application process for scholarships for high school seniors is not always a smooth-sailing process. But, the fact that you've made it this far in the post and are taking the initiative to learn more about scholarships is a great start in itself!

Here are a few quick tips to help you along your scholarship journey...

### 1. Set goals for yourself along the way.

- I was a high school senior not too long ago, so I know exactly what it's like to have to create a balance between your schoolwork, extracurriculars, college applications, and scholarships.
- It's not always an easy task, but that's why you should work on setting goals for yourself and creating a scholarship strategy!
- Your goals should be SMART (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant/Realistic, Timely). Setting goals for things such as how much you are aiming to earn from scholarships and when you will set aside time to search and apply will help you to stay on track with what you want to achieve.

### 2. Know where to look.

- The [Access Scholarships Search Engine](#) is an awesome resource with tons of scholarships for high school seniors. But beyond Access Scholarships, be sure to...
- Reach out to your school counselor to discuss some of the local scholarships that are out there for you to apply for
- Head over to your state's financial aid website to learn more about their grants and resources

### 3. Apply often.

- Don't think of the scholarship process as one that you can engage in only once every few months and see success with.
- The scholarship process requires consistency and dedication. If you want to have the best chance at winning scholarships, you need to be dedicated to the process (creating a healthy mix of mostly essay scholarships with some no-essay scholarships is a good strategy) and put in the effort!

### 4. Be organized, thorough, and on time.

- Lots of students find it helpful to organize their scholarship application and search process using a spreadsheet (virtual or physical). These are extremely useful because you can keep track of important deadlines, requirements for each scholarship, and more.

### 5. Think outside the box.

- I have provided you with a ton of great scholarships for high school seniors right here in this post.
- In addition to these, don't be afraid to venture out to find scholarships that are specific to YOU in all aspects! This means thinking critically about your hobbies and interests, and passions outside of academics.
- It also means thinking about things that define who you are that you could potentially leverage in your scholarship search. For example, are you a soon-to-be first-generation college student? Or maybe you're planning on pursuing a STEM degree? These are just two areas that you can identify and use to search for scholarships!

# Looking ahead....

- Senior Parent meeting in the auditorium on Tuesday, January 24th at 6:30 pm.
- Local scholarships will open Jan. 23rd. All seniors will need to have a Going Merry Account to access the scholarships.  
<https://www.goingmerry.com/>
- The following scholarships have already opened and have varying closing dates. Click on the links to apply!! Don't wait!!
  - <https://www.gvec.org/community/scholarships/>
  - <https://nbcommunityfoundation.org/apply-for-scholarships/>
  - <https://www.communityfoundation.net/scholarships/>
- GPA and class rank will be updated on transcripts after grades are posted at the end of the semester in January. Log into Parchment and check your rank and GPA
- Scholarships!!! Log into your class Canvas group to see what is available.
- Juniors and Seniors - have you scheduled a college visit yet? Don't wait!!
- Juniors - begin your SAT prep after winter break! All juniors will be taking the SAT on March 1st. Be sure you are taking advantage of free resources.
- Seniors - look at your Financial Aid award letters!! 30% of all students get selected for verification. Don't panic!! Communicate with your College's FA office.