

Senior Parent Meeting
Thursday
September 19, 2019
6:00pm
BHS Cafeteria

I ❤️ My
Parents



2019 B.E.S.T. College Night

Bastrop High School Cafeteria
Wednesday, September 25, 2019
6:30-8:30pm

Find out what you want to do and where you want to go after high school!

*Meet with college and career recruiters *See scholarship opportunities from colleges *Much more

Your GTFCU Senior Scholarship Application is Due 09/25/19 til 8pm
(Applications on BHS website or in Career Center, Rm 205)

Financial Aid Sessions at 6p.m. & 7p.m
In the Bastrop High School Library

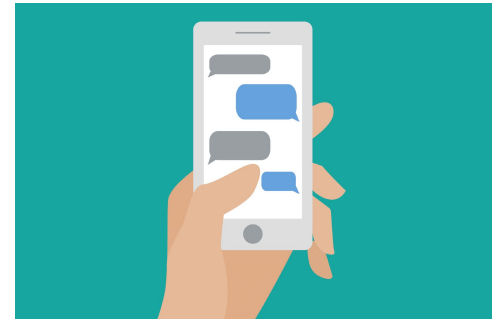
CLASS OF 2020
REMINDS: Text

@bhs2020a-g

@bhs2020h-p

@bhs2020q-z

to 81010



Your Support Team

Assistant Principals

A-G: David McIntyre

H-P: Nicole Creek

Q-Z: Chris Kelly

Counselors

A-G: Stephanie Wade

H-P: Christine Rector

Q-Z: Paula Rodriguez

Career Center - Nathan Mouser & Tammy Johnson
Social Worker - Barbara Gaona
Registrar - Leslie Crouch

WHAT IS YOUR PLAN???

- ☐ **COLLEGE**
- ☐ **TRADE/TECHNICAL SCHOOL**
- ☐ **MILITARY**
- ☐ **JOB - SOME COMPANIES PAY FOR YOUR SCHOOL OR HAVE INTERNSHIPS AVAILABLE**

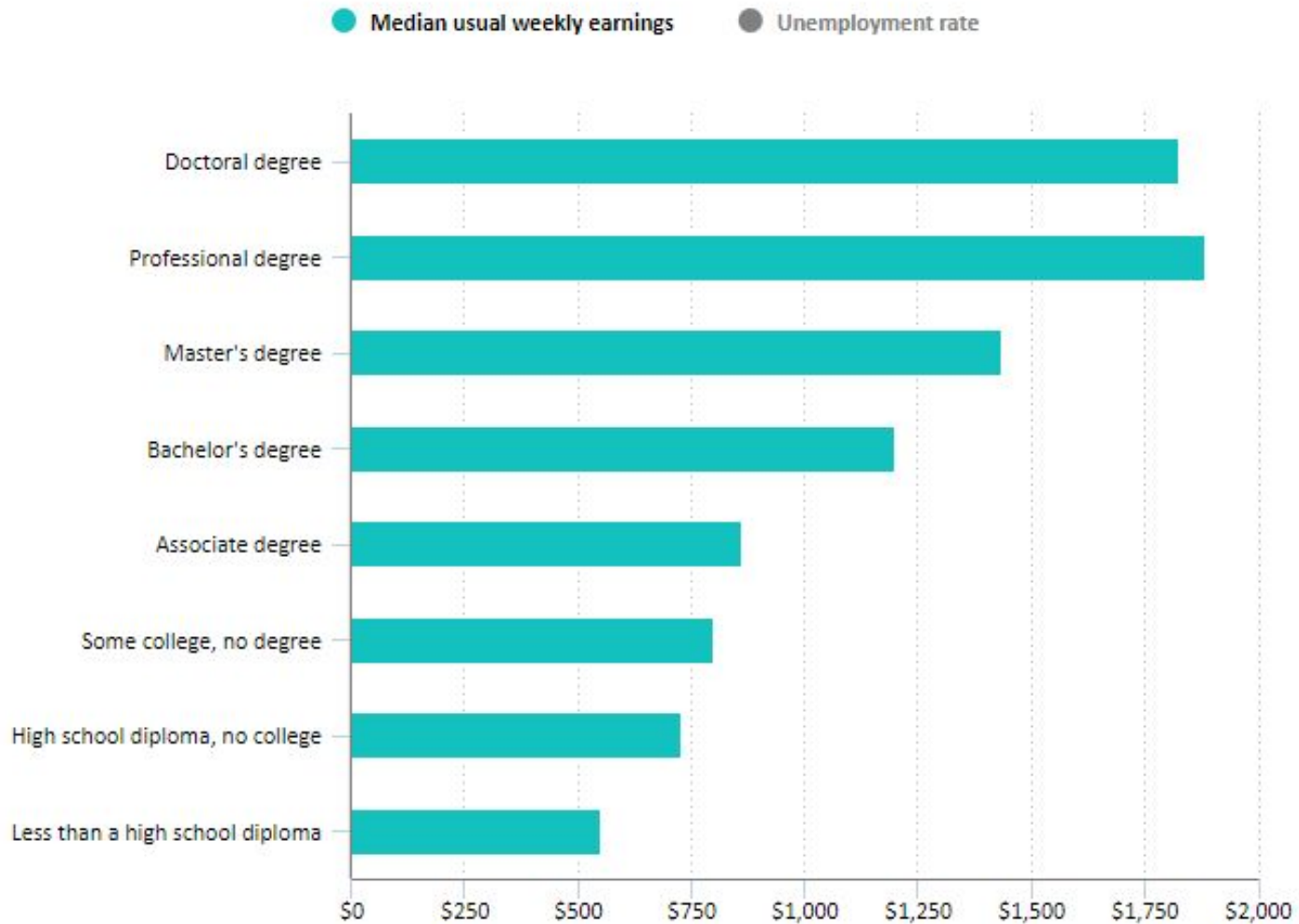
JUST HAVE A PLAN!!



**DON'T
PANIC
JUST
PLAN
IT**

EDUCATION PAYS

Median weekly earnings and unemployment rate by educational attainment, 2018



There's a school for you.



Type of Institution	Degree	Occupation Examples
Public Two-year Community Colleges	Associate Degree Technical Certificate	Dental hygiene Automotive technology Welding LVN RN
Public Universities	Bachelor's Degree Master's Degree Doctoral Degree	Engineer, architect, teacher Physical therapist Physician, Lawyer, College professor BSN
Private Universities	Same as Public	Usually more expensive but often have good financial aid packages.
Technical Colleges	Certification	Automotive technology IT-Information tech Radiology technician

Pick the best place for you.

- Campus Digital Tours
 - <http://www.campustours.com/>
 - <http://www.youvisit.com>
- Program/degree offerings
- Size
- Location
- Retention and graduation
- Housing
- Where would you fit in?



What will colleges look at?

- Grades/GPA/Class Rank
- Courses
- Test scores
- Essays
- Letters of recommendation (some will)
- Extracurricular activities, awards, volunteer hours
 - Resume on Apply Texas, fill this portion out on the Application.
- Employment



Top ten percent graduate =
guaranteed admission



- Admission to public postsecondary institutions is guaranteed to students who graduate in the top ten percent of their class at a public or private accredited high school in Texas.
- Except for the University of Texas at Austin... UT will only be required to accept students in the top 6% of the graduating class.

IS COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR YOU?

- Are you unsure about where to go or what to study?
- Do you need to cut the cost of a four-year college degree?
- Do you want to continue to work at your job while going to college?

Nearly 60% of undergraduates attend
junior/community college.

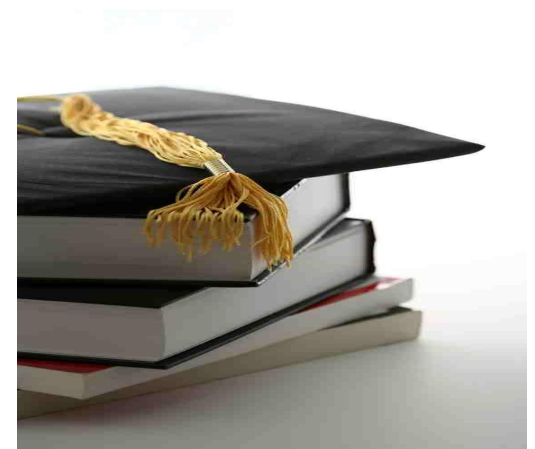
- Kinds of education:
 - occupational certificate
 - associate's degree
 - or course hours to transfer to a 4 year college



**BLINN
COLLEGE**

ACC – Is this your plan?

- ❑ Campuses in Austin & surrounding area:
 - ❑ Elgin, South Austin, Riverside, Round Rock, Highland, Pinnacle, Cedar Park, Hays, Eastview, North Ridge
- ❑ Complete Application
- ❑ Complete ACC Scholarship Application by the ACC Deadline
- ❑ Attend ACC Info Session
- ❑ Check in the Career Center for other requirements



College Readiness Tests



Texas Successive Initiative

TSI

It's NOT just for Austin Community College

The TSI is a **Texas** program that requires students to demonstrate their college readiness in reading, writing, and math before they can take *college-level credit classes*. You must take the TSI when you enroll at any **Texas** public college or university unless you show proof of exemption or waiver from the requirement.

College Readiness

- ❑ Texas Success Initiative (TSI) - placement test
- ❑ Required to enroll in a Texas public two or four year college
- ❑ May exempt based on SAT, or ACT scores
 - ❑ SAT 480 evidence based reading & writing/530 math
 - ❑ ACT 23 Composite (Minimum 19 English / 19 Math)
- ❑ Register to take the test in the Career Center through Beyond The Bell

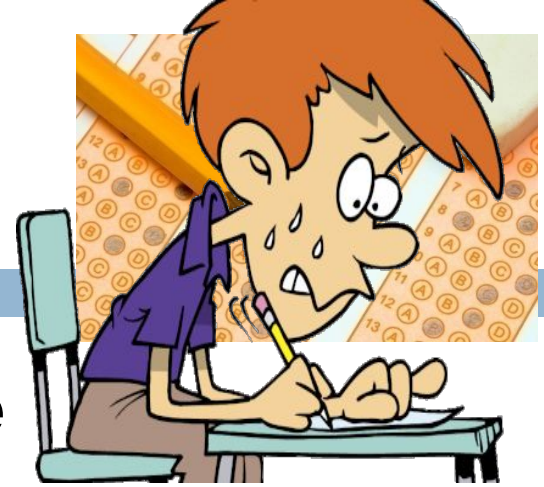


College Admission Exams

Go to the Career Center

- ❑ Take SAT or ACT before December!! Hopefully you took it last spring. It's NOT too late.
- ❑ You can take it more than once, but you should send all scores to your selected schools. You will have to go back to website and pay to send to other schools.
- ❑ Most colleges/universities take either test.
 - ❑ SAT (Register online www.collegeboard.org)
 - ❑ Tests reading, math and writing.
 - SAT Prep FREE ONLINE PERSONAL TUTORING - Khanacademy.org (*BTB*)
 - ❑ ACT (Register online www.act.org)
 - ❑ Tests English, math, reading, science and writing.
 - FREE TUTORING - ACT Academy - OpenEd.com

MORE ABOUT TESTS



- Fee waivers available in the College/Career Center
 - Eligible for free or reduced lunch program
 - Good for college applications and test fees

- Most schools don't superscore, but some do! Check with YOUR university.
 - Superscore - your best subscores regardless of test date. Be sure to send in all your test scores for consideration. (Private Universities and Texas Tech)

Seniors, start today.



Resume

Letters of Recommendation for scholarships/financial aid

Apply: ApplyTexas.org

Texas A&M and University of Texas applications and scholarship deadlines are December 1st. November 1st is the priority deadline for certain programs & scholarships! Other deadlines can be found at ApplyTexas.org.

Scholarship, Financial aid, and housing have separate applications and deadlines. Be aware!

Keep up with deadlines/due dates.

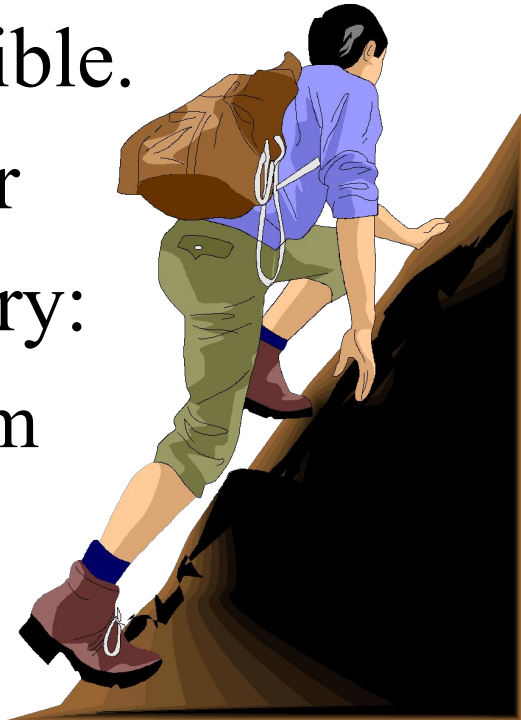
Choose a major.

Each school you apply to will require you to send them a copy of your high school transcript. (Request it from Ms. Crouch - \$2.00 each)

■ If you have taken dual credit classes, you also need to send your ACC transcript when you apply.

Keep things rolling.

- ❑ Begin financial aid process by applying for a **FSA ID**. (both parent and student will need one, the FSA ID is your digital signature.)
 - www.fsaid.ed.gov
- ❑ Complete the **FAFSA** as soon as possible.
- ❑ FAFSA opens on October 1st this year
- ❑ FAFSA Monday hosted in BHS Library:
 - October 7, 2019 from 4:00 - 6:30 pm



THINKING ABOUT THE MILITARY?

- ❑ Contact a recruiter.
- ❑ Take the ASVAB test: November 22
 - ❑ Get info. in the Career Center
- ❑ Prepare for test by using the website www.march2success.com
- ❑ Ask lots of questions.
- ❑ What opportunities will you receive for education?
- ❑ Consider an ROTC scholarship. Go to the College and Career Center for information.



SCHOLARSHIPS



There is a great deal of free money available (and lots that goes unused every year), so LOOK FOR SCHOLARSHIPS:

- Scholarship Bulletin Board outside of Counseling Office
- Career Center
- Local Scholarship booklet available in late November.
- Twitter@BTXHSCounselors
- Counseling Office has a running list of current outside scholarships
- cb.org/opportunity
- www.myredkite.com
- www.raise.me
- Hispanic Scholarship Fund, FFA, FHA , NCAA

Scholarship Tips:



- Search for scholarships that are a match for you.
- Write your essays about something that is unique to you. What are your personal successes/challenges?
 - WEDNESDAYS IN BTB ENGLISH TEACHER CAN HELP!
- Does your essay address exactly what the scholarship requests?
- You cannot win any scholarships unless you apply for scholarships.
- CHECK EACH College/University Scholarship Application Deadline - They are all different!

Check out the Career Center!

- Do research on the computers about colleges & careers.
- Work on your resume.
- Complete an interest inventory.
(Texas Genuine & ONet)
- Attend sessions with representatives from different colleges.
- Register for the SAT, ACT, or TSI.
- Do test prep for SAT, ACT, TSI, ASVAB.
- Complete your college application.
- Work on your FAFSA application.



Contact us

- www.bhs.bisdtx.org
- [Twitter@BTXHSCounselors](https://twitter.com/BTXHSCounselors)
- Counseling Office 512-772-7219
- Career Center 512-772-7217

College Tours

Sign up in College & Career Center
starting September 16!!!

COLLEGE CAMPUS VISIT LOCATIONS

Blinn College - Brenham
Central Texas Beauty College
Concordia University
Huston Tillotson University
St. Edwards
Texas State University
Texas State Technical College - Hutto
University of Texas @ Austin
Texas A & M University
Temple College

OCTOBER 16TH!!





- Copies of our presentations, local scholarship information, and other college/career planning tools can be found on the BHS website under the Academics>Counselors' Corner or College & Career Center tabs

GET YOUR BARCODE AND ATTEND COLLEGE NIGHT

Provide your information one time through our simple, online registration page instead of dozens of times on prospect cards at each college table.

Ensure your personal data is accurately and securely shared with colleges and universities of your choosing.

Increase face-to-face time with admissions

To register for 2019 Central TX TACRAO Fairs students should:

1. Visit www.gotocollegefairs.com
2. Click on “Students Register Now”
3. Click on Texas in the map
4. Click on “9/23/2019 - 9/27/2019 College Day/Night Fair” (TACRfA 3rd logo)
5. Fill out the questionnaire with their information
6. Click Submit
7. Print Bar Code or have bar code ready on a mobile device (Take a Screen Shot or a Picture of the Bar Code)

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Questions

