

# Alamo Colleges District

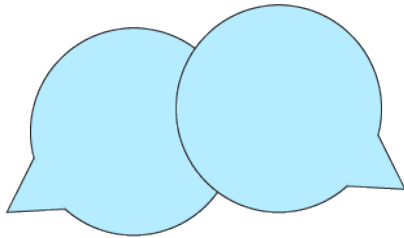
A group of middle school students, both boys and girls, are posed for a photo outdoors. They are wearing formal dark grey or black suits or dresses. Each student has a large, bright blue bow tied around their neck. A silver sash with several circular medallions is draped across their chests. The students are smiling and looking towards the camera. In the background, there are trees, a grassy area, and other people, suggesting a school festival or outdoor event.

Parent ToolKit:  
Middle School to  
Career

# YOUR CHILD'S FUTURE STARTS WITH YOU!

In today's world, most jobs require a college degree to get in the land of opportunities. As a parent, you are an essential role when it comes to planning for your child's future. The Alamo Colleges District believes it is never too early to start thinking about your child's future in college and the career paths they could explore.

## Preparing in Middle School

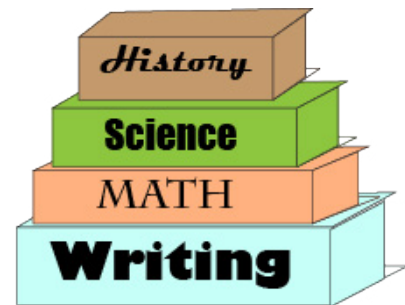


### Continue the Conversation

Talk to your student about their career interest and the college pathway that will get them there.

### Support Strong Study Habits

As your student's homework difficulty increase, so will the amount of time needed to study. Be sure your student is prepared for assignments/tests and not cramming at the last minute.



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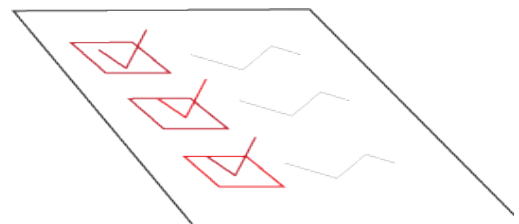
### Create a Schedule

Your student may begin to have a busier schedule with homework sports, and other school activities. Creating a schedule will help your student stay organized and focused on their goals.

### Prepare for College in High School

Encourage your student to take advantage of college prep programs at their high school. Take advantage of the opportunities we offer with the Alamo Colleges District.

- Alamo Academies
- Dual Credit
- Early College High School



# Career Exploration!

## Career Investigation

This newspaper encourages students to create a graduation plan based on learning styles, personal interests and future goals. This tabloid is based on the 16 career clusters and lays out graduation plans for Texas Students.

<https://lmci.state.tx.us/shared/PDFs/careerinvestigation.pdf>

## Career One Stop

Explore a collection of videos of many different careers. Videos include career details such as tasks, work settings, education needed, and more.

<https://www.careeronestop.org/Videos/CareerVideos/career-videos.aspx>

## Texas Career Check

Find your interests in the Texas Career Check Interest Profiler

<https://texascareercheck.com/ExploreCareer/InterestProfiler>

## Education Planner

Find useful tools identifying career clusters and what careers match your skills. Students can also watch career videos, look up hot jobs for the future, and perform career searches on what interests them.

<http://www.educationplanner.org/students/career-planning/find-careers/index.shtml>

## Find your Path Quiz

Lots of students are just figuring out things in middle and high school. Have your student take this fun quiz to help them think about what they're interested in and what they're good at.

<https://www.mapmygrad.org/takethequiz>

## High School Endorsements

View high school endorsement areas and how they connect to careers

<https://lmci.state.tx.us/shared/FHSEB/FHSEB.asp>

# Being an Active Learner!

## Math Power Hour

Free math tutoring sessions for patrons of any age group that need tutoring with math classes or homework! Our BiblioTech tutors will monitor patrons while they work and study math materials and answer any questions that arise.

<https://bexarbibliotech.org/events/math-power-hour-0>

## Hippo Campus

This site offers interactive videos that teach Algebra, Geometry and other Advanced Math topics. Other topics include Natural Sciences, Social Sciences, and Humanities.

<https://hippocampus.org/>

## Great Math Website for Kids (Ages Birth to 14)

Great Websites for Kids is a compilation of exemplary websites geared to children from birth to age 14.

<http://gws.ala.org/category/mathematics-computers>

## Interactive Math Glossary

This glossary is helpful to parents in exploring and understanding mathematics vocabulary used in the K-8 math TEKS.

[http://jukebox.esc13.net/interactiveGlossary/HTML\\_files/interactiveVocabularySearch.html](http://jukebox.esc13.net/interactiveGlossary/HTML_files/interactiveVocabularySearch.html)

## 10 ways to help your child succeed in middle school

Here are 10 ways to keep your child on track for academic success in middle school.

<https://kidshealth.org/en/parents/school-help-middle.html>

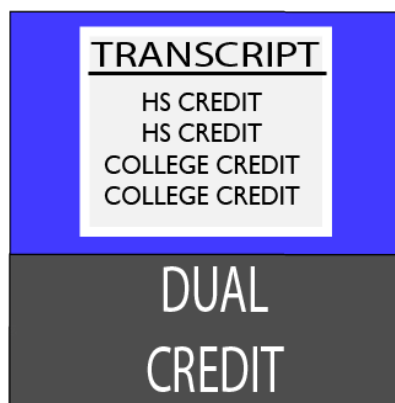
# Preparing for High School and College

High school programs include those that allow high school students to take high school courses concurrent with college level courses. Specific courses have been identified as having both the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) and the Student Learning Objectives (SLOs) and are thereby aligned and able to be taught by the same qualified instructor that meets the requirements for both the high school and the college course.



The Academies provide a college pathway for high school juniors and seniors to attain industry and academic certificates that lead to high-wage jobs or to further higher education while addressing critical workforce industry needs.

<http://www.alamoacademies.com/>



Alamo Colleges is proud to offer high school students throughout our service area programs that allow them opportunities acquire college credit hours before they receive their high school diploma. Some of these programs offer students courses that lead to Level 1 Certificates or different Associate degrees.

<http://www.alamo.edu/hsprograms/school-districts/>



An Early College High School provides students with up to 60 college credit hours and substantial support to guide students into an Associate of Arts degree, an Associate of Science degree or an Associate of Applied Science degree. Each of these degrees are connected to a degree plan that maps out the detailed coursework.

<http://www.alamo.edu/hsprograms/early-college-hs/>