

# **ECHS** Communication Plan



# Target Audiences:

#### 1. Parents and Guardians

- **Goals:** Inform parents about the benefits of ECHS, the application process, and the long-term academic and career advantages for their children.
- Key Messages:
  - Your child can earn up to 60 college credits and an Associate's Degree.
  - Save money on college tuition while ensuring academic success.
  - The program provides college preparation, career readiness, and personal growth opportunities.
- Communication Channels:
  - Email newsletters, parent meetings, informational brochures, school website, social media.

#### 2. Community Members (Local businesses, civic organizations, and general public)

- **Goals:** Increase community support and awareness of the program, emphasizing how ECHS benefits both students and the local community.
- Key Messages:
  - ECHS is creating a more educated, skilled workforce.
  - Community involvement helps ensure the success of local youth.
  - Support for ECHS is an investment in the future of the community.
- Communication Channels:
  - Local media (newspapers, radio), community events, social media, flyers, partnerships with local businesses and organizations.

#### 3. School Board Members

- **Goals:** Gain continued support for the ECHS program and secure resources necessary for its growth and success.
- Key Messages:
  - ECHS students are performing at a high academic level and preparing for success in higher education.
  - The program aligns with the district's mission to provide equitable access to college education.
  - ECHS is a strategic investment in student success and workforce development.
- Communication Channels:

 Formal presentations at school board meetings, detailed reports, one-on-one meetings, email updates.

# 4. Higher Education Personnel (St. Philip's College, other local universities)

- **Goals:** Strengthen partnerships, ensure smooth coordination between high school and college, and ensure credit transfer and academic support for students.
- Key Messages:
  - ECHS students are ready for college-level coursework and contribute positively to college campuses.
  - Our partnership benefits both institutions and enhances college access for underrepresented students.
  - ECHS aligns with the goals of higher education institutions to increase college completion rates.
- **Communication Channels:** 
  - Meetings with college administrators, collaborative events, shared reports, and program evaluations.

# **Communication Strategies:**

#### 1. Digital Communication:

- Create a dedicated page on the Brackenridge Early College High School website with detailed information on the program, benefits, application process, and success stories.
- Send monthly newsletters via email to parents and stakeholders with program updates, success stories, and upcoming events.
- Use social media platforms (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter) to share program highlights, success stories, and student testimonials.

#### 2. Events:

- Host regular informational sessions for parents and community members, including virtual and in-person options.
- Organize "Meet and Greet" events where current students, parents, and teachers can share their experiences.
- Partner with local businesses and organizations to sponsor community events where information about ECHS can be presented.

# 3. Direct Communication:

- Send personalized letters or emails to parents about their child's eligibility for the ECHS program.
- Regularly update school board members through formal reports and presentations on the program's impact.
- Create informational packets for higher education personnel with data on ECHS student performance and outcomes.

# 4. Community Involvement:

• Engage local businesses and organizations to support the program through sponsorships or internship opportunities for ECHS students.

• Collaborate with local media outlets to feature stories about the ECHS program, its benefits, and the success of its students.

# **Evaluation:**

# • Feedback:

Collect feedback from parents, students, and community members through surveys or informal discussions at events.

## • Metrics:

Track website visits, email open rates, social media engagement, and attendance at informational events.

# • Adjustments:

Adjust communication methods based on audience feedback and engagement levels.