

San Antonio Independent School District

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Thank you for supporting your student's participation in San Antonio ISD's Dual Credit (DC) program for the **Fall of 2020**. Whether they are in an Early College High School (ECHS) or PTECH program or at a comprehensive high school choosing Dual Credit/Dual Enrollment courses with UT Austin, UTSA, Alamo Colleges or Hallmark University, please know that we are working with all of our partner colleges to keep the DC courses flexible and available to your student.

Our partners offer these courses in a variety of ways. These include:

- *Synchronous courses*: courses that are delivered at a specific time on scheduled days, live, with an instructor
- Asynchronous courses: courses that are recorded or otherwise designed to be accessible at any hour and on any day facilitated by an instructor
- *Online courses*: courses that are designed purposefully to be delivered completely online, synchronously or asynchronously
- *Remote courses*: courses that are originally designed to be delivered face-to-face, live with an instructor, but that have been moved online due to the current situation with COVID 19
- Face-to-face/in person course: courses that take place at a campus, live with an instructor

It is important for you to know which type(s) of course(s) your student has selected during this school year. Knowing and understanding the requirements for attendance and work completion for each course, as well as possible requirements for face-to-face interactions such as labs or hands-on skills practice for each course are extremely important. This understanding will then allow you, and your student, to choose whether to participate in the course or to have them drop the course with the option to reschedule at a later time. We will do everything we can to support your student's success with access to technology and other resources and support so they can complete their DC classes and earn college credit.

The final page of this letter has a list of courses for your student's campus with each course's special requirements. Please note that for students attending any of the Alamo Colleges (San Antonio College, St. Philip's College or Palo Alto College) the Chancellor has declared that all colleges will deliver instruction remotely after Thanksgiving; students will all be required to attend synchronous remote instruction at that time or complete asynchronous coursework. Exceptions to this declaration will be the Firefighter and Aerospace programs, and your campus will keep you informed about the requirements for these courses.

In the meantime, it is critical that your student commits to attending his/her dual credit class regularly, completing every assignment, and meeting all requirements of the course or courses they have selected. Students who demonstrate poor attendance and/or participation may be dropped from the course and this could adversely affect their college transcripts. **The final deadline for dropping a course with no penalty is September 1.** If your student begins to experience difficulty, please immediately take advantage of the multiple systems of support that are available through the college and/or at your student's high school campus.

If you should have any questions or concerns that we can help with, please reach out to your campus counselor, or you may contact Liz Ozuna, eozuna1@saisd.net or Christina Mank-Allen at cmank1@saisd.net .

Again, thank you for your commitment to your student's future college endeavors. Their participation in programs like this will expose them to rigorous course work and preparations for college success, as well as earning them college credit that will help them accelerate on their path through college.

Sincerely,

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Course	College	Notes
St. Philip's College		
Certified Nursing Aide Make up from Spring	SPC ECHS	Small groups: 25% to complete in person clinical hours for certification. Please check with the campus principal for start dates. The remainder of the course is planned to be virtual and may be synchronous.
Academic Core Classes and Phlebotomy	SPC ECHS	All courses that were scheduled for in person delivery will be delivered remotely and synchronously. Courses with a lab requirement will complete the requirement remotely asynchronously and synchronously.
Automotive, Culinary	SPC ECHS	100% remote and synchronous. Lab-based courses may require students to attend in person in small groups. After Thanksgiving all courses are remote.
Cybersecurity	SPC ECHS	All courses will be delivered remote and synchronously.
Academic Core Courses held on High School Campus	SPC	All courses will be delivered remotely and synchronously. Courses with a lab requirement will complete the requirement remotely and synchronously. Please contact your instructor for more information on scheduling and meeting times.