



**St. Philip's College Early College High School (ECHS)
2018-19 Back to School Newsletter**

Dear St. Philip's College ECHS Family,

As we begin our 5th year in existence, we are proud of what we've accomplished our first four years. We graduated our first class last year, increased our enrollment of incoming freshmen, and received word at the end of the year that we were recognized by the US NEWS & WORLD REPORT with a Bronze National Ranking. Thank you for a great 2017-2018 school year and we expect to have an even greater 2018-19 school year.

<u>First day of school</u> August 13, 2018	<u>School Hours</u> 9:00-4:30
<u>Breakfast served</u> 8:15-9:10 Line closes at 9:10	<u>Lunch (Power Hour)</u> 12:15-12:25 (Advisory) 12:25-1:30 Power Hour

Reporting on the first day of school

School begins August 13, 2018 at 9:00.

All students are to report to their Advisory.

Advisory assignments will be posted on the window of the Bowden (off of Mittman) at 4 p.m. on August 10, 2018. Students may stop by over the weekend to check their assignments or may check on August 13th.

Student Schedules

Students will receive their high school schedules during the first week of school. College schedules for 10th-12th graders should be in your child's ACES account. Since college classes are still making, we may need to move high school classes around if a college course is cancelled or re-scheduled.

ECHS Instructional Calendar

Please make sure that you have a copy of our instructional calendar as it is different than the SAISD calendar. Go to our website to locate our 2018-19 Instructional calendar

<https://schools.saisd.net/page/025.homepage> (under both parent and student resources)

School Uniform

Students are expected to be in their school uniform on the first day of school. Our uniform consists of:

White, orange, light blue (new for 2018-19) or royal blue polo
Khaki or black bottoms (pants, skirts, etc.) (no leggings, spandex, sweats)

***Blue Jeans are not a part of our uniform.**

***Holes or tears in pants (including knees) are not allowed.**

Dress for success days

We will have dress for success days scheduled throughout the school year. These days are designed to instill in students proper attire for professional venues, such as interviews, college presentations, etc. Students will receive a grade in Path for Dress for Success Days.

SPC College Spirit Days

Wednesdays will be designated SPC college spirit day. Students may wear tee shirts from any college. Khaki or black bottom are still required with tee shirt.

Community Service

Students are to complete community service hours as part of the ECHS graduation requirement.

General Information	Classes of 2021 and 2022	Classes of 2019 and 2020
Hours required for graduation	120 hours by December of senior year	100 hours by December of senior year
Hours required for community service cord (worn at graduation)	170 hours by December of senior year	150 hours by December of senior year.
Where can I do my community service?	You can do your community service hours at any location except for a family member. You can not be paid for community service hours.	
Can I count my internship hours (automotive, culinary and cybersecurity students)	Yes, hours will count towards those required to graduate, but will not count towards those required for the cord. The 50 hours extra required for the cord must be outside of those earned during the internship.	
Where can I find the logs to document my community service hours	Logs are located on our website under the student resources tab. https://schools.saisd.net/page/025.homepage	

Methods of Communication for 2018-19

We have many forms of communication that we utilize in order to provide two way interaction.

- Activity calendar-sent home the first week of the month.
- Progress reports-sent home the 4th and 7th week of the grading period.
- Report cards-sent home at the end of the nine weeks grading period.

- Remind accounts-In order to receive information from our campus, text the remind code for your grade level to the number 81010.

If you're having trouble with 81010, try texting the remind code to (256) 850-3882. There is also a Remind app that can be downloaded to smart phones.

Grade Level	Remind Account Code
12 th graders (Class of 2019)	@7e7hc7
11 th graders (class of 2020)	@4b2cf4
10 th graders (class of 2021)	@fba4kh
9 th graders (class of 2022)	@kgd3d4

Typing Practice

Students at St. Philip's ECHS use a lot of technology in both their high school and college courses. Students are required to type out assignments frequently. If you are not familiar with typing, especially touch typing, use the free online tutorial below to increase your skills and speed.

<https://www.powertyping.com/qwerty/lessonsq.html>

MLA Style Guide

All 10th-12th graders should be familiar with the MLA Style Guide. This guide is used in most college courses (social science classes usually utilizes the APA Style Guide, and will be used in our high school courses. Review or familiarize yourself with the guide by visiting:

<https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/01/>

Back to School Registration Catch-Up

Since registration occurred during the spring, all students should have pre-registered for the 2018-19 school year. Do you have forms that need to be uploaded into the School Mint System (all students not attending an SAISD school during 2017-18)? Bring the forms during the window listed below for assistance with uploading them into the system.

Have you updated your shots during the summer? Bring your shot record during the window below. Reminder, all students will need the **Bacteria Meningitis** shot to attend school on a college campus. You should have taken it during 7th grade. Shot is good for 5 years. All 11th and 12th graders should ensure that their shot is up-to-date for the start of the school year.

July 31-August 2 and August 6-7, 9-10	Late night
9:00-12:00 and 1:30-4:30	August 9 4:30-6:00

First week of school hours for St. Philip's ECHS

August 13 students will attend classes 9:00-4:30

August 14-17, students will have early dismissal and will be dismissed at 1:15 (after lunch)

Parent Meetings

Please reserve the following dates for parent meetings. All meetings will begin at 5:30 p.m. and will be held in St. Philip's College (SPC) Heritage room.

9 th grade meeting-August 21	10 th grade meeting-August 22
11 th grade meeting-August 28	12 th grade meeting-August 29

Open House

Our annual open house will be held on September 18th at 5:30p.m. in the Heritage Room. Additional information will be provided.

Attendance Reminder

Student attendance is important to the success of your child. If your child is sick, please keep him/her at home and send a note on the day they return to school. We ask that all appointments be scheduled after school. If your child has a doctor appointment and returns to school on the same day as the appointment, make sure he/she brings an excuse from the doctor's office and the absence will not count. In order for the absence to be erased, the student must return to school on the same day as the doctor's visit, and must bring a note and give to Ms. Taylor, Data Clerk/Registrar on the same day. If a note is given later, the absence will count as an excused absence.

Absences Parent Notes

If your child is absent he/she must bring a note from a parent/guardian in order for the absence to be excused. We can only accept eight (8) written notes from parents within a year. After the 8th note, all subsequent absences will be unexcused. All notices **must** be given to Ms. Taylor and will be placed on file for audit. If she does not receive the note, the absence is unexcused.

2018-19 High School Supply List

All of the supplies listed below are for high school courses. Students may use their binder and general supplies for college classes, but each professor may require extra resources.

General Supplies (the following supplies are used in all classes)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2-colored ink pens • Blue or black ink pens • #2 pencils • 1-eraser • 1-flash Drive • 3x3 post-it notes • 1-pkg highlighters (pack of 4) • 1-back pack (optional) • 1-personal size hand sanitizer (optional) • Box of Kleenex 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1-pencil pouch (must fit in binder) • 1-pack of dividers with pockets • 2-gluе sticks • 1-pkg colored pencils • 1-pair scissors • 1-hand held pencil sharpener • 3x5 index cards • College-ruled notebook paper • 2" binder • Earbuds (not Bluetooth or Apple)
<p><u>Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry, Pre-Calculus, Statistics</u> 4-Marble composition tablet Dry erase marker</p>	<p><u>Spanish</u> 2-Composition notebooks</p>
<p><u>Biology, Chemistry, Physics</u> 2-Marble composition books 1-metric ruler 1-pkg graphing paper</p>	<p><u>English I, II, III and IV</u> 1-marble composition book 2-pocket folders with brads</p>
<p><u>World History, US History, Government and Economics</u> 2- large one subject spiral (college ruled)</p>	<p><u>Physical Education</u> 1-marble composition tablet 1-combination lock <u>PE Uniform</u> shorts or sweats, tee shirt, towel, combination lock</p>
<p>Note: College courses will require supplies that are not listed on this supply listed. See course syllabi for information. All supplies will need to be replenished throughout the year.</p>	

2018-19 Bell Schedule

Monday/Wednesday (A Day)

9:00-9:10*	Breakfast and report to 1 st period	
9:15-10:30	Period 1	
10:40-12:10	Period 2	
12:15-1:30 (Period 3)	Advisory: 12:15-12:25	Power hour: 12:25-1:30
1:40-3:00	Period 4	
3:10-4:30	Period 5	

Tuesday/Thursday (B Day)

9:00-9:10*	Breakfast and report to 6 th period	
9:15-10:30	Period 6	
10:40-12:00	Period 7	
12:15-1:30 (Period 3)	Advisory: 12:15-12:25	Power hour: 12:25-1:30
1:40-3:00	Period 8	
3:10-4:30	Period 9	

Friday (C Day)

9:00-9:10*	Breakfast and report to 10 th period	
9:15-10:30	Period 10	
10:40-12:10	Period 11	
12:15-1:30 (Period 3)	Advisory: 12:15-12:25	Power hour: 12:25-1:30
1:40-3:00	Period 12	
3:10-4:30	Period 13	

Early Dismissal Schedule

9:00-9:10*	Breakfast and report to Rotation 1
9:15-10:30	Rotation 1
10:40-12:10	Rotation 2
12:15-12:45	Advisory
12:45-1:15	Lunch

Power Hour

St. Philip's College ECHS has developed a lunch block/period that is designed to give all of our students a time to eat, catch up on work, as well as hang out with friends. We refer to this lunch block/period as "Power Hour." Research and experience shows that some students need additional support during the school day as it is difficult for them to stay after school for tutoring. Being on a college campus, there are high expectations for our students. We trust them to make wise decisions, be where they are assigned, and finally, we expect them to have some time to relax. Power hour assists students in fulfilling all of these expectations.

During Power Hour students will report to their Advisory, roll will be taken and any announcements or information will be provided. Our official attendance period will be during Advisory, and any student not attending will be marked absent. After advisory, students will have the option of eating lunch (provided by SAISD free of charge or purchased through SPC), relaxing in the Turbon, participating in open gym (if they have the required attire) or utilizing various academic resources, such as Math World, SPC's library, ECHS computer labs, or tutoring (conducted by SPC's learning centers staff or peer-tutoring). Teacher's assigned detention will occur as a component of Power Hour. Students who fail to meet the academic expectations set forth by the ECHS program will be required to attend/participate in the tutorial support provided during Power Hour. These tutorials are meant to provide needed supports for struggling students and not designed to be negative. Our goal is to ensure that all students are successful in our program.

Allowed eating areas

Covered patio between buildings 12 (Campus Center) and 14 (Bowden)
Inside building 13 (Turbon Student Center) at tables and the outside patio
Between buildings 10 and 11 (Norris Technical Building and Sutton Learning Center)
Inside building 12 (Campus Center) and patio area of building 12
Lobby of building 4 (Continuing Education Building)

Students are to clean up after themselves, throw away their trash and make sure their table space is cleared. Students are not in or hang out in the building during lunch:

Watson Fine Arts Center
Sutton Learning Center
Center for Health Professions
Welcome Center
William Davis Science Building
Applied Science Building