

Career Pathways

As students are completing their four-year plans and academic goals for high school, they are encouraged to consider individualized Career Pathway plans which best fit their interests and aptitudes.

This applies to all students (Regular, Recommended or Distinguished Programs). Students may choose one of six Career Pathways for their four-year education plan. The six Career Pathways are:

Business: (Marketing and Sales, Management and Planning, Personal/ Customer Services, Records and Communication)

Business Operation: (Financial Transactions, Storage and Dispatching, Business Machine/Computer Operation)

Technical: (Vehicle Operation and Repair, Construction and Maintenance, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Crafts and Related Services, Home/Business Equipment Repair, Industrial Equipment Operation and Repair, Medical Specialties and Technologies, Engineering and Related Technologies)

Science: (Engineering and Related Technologies, Natural Sciences and Mathematics, Applied Visual Arts)

Arts: (Applied Visual Arts, Creative/Performing Arts, Applied Written and Spoken Arts, Social Sciences)

Social Services: (General Health Care, Education and Related Services, Social and Government Services) college or university.

Tests help identify career interests

Northside ISD offers student testing to identify career interests and aptitudes. These tests are EXPLORE, which is given to all eighth graders, and PLAN, which is given to all tenth graders. Students are encouraged to contact their counselors to review the test results, and to use the results to plan an appropriate Career Pathway. Parents are encouraged to be actively involved with the student in all stages of this planning. *If you have questions, contact your school counselor.*

Northside ISD High Schools

Business Careers High School - 706-7070
6500 Ingram Road • San Antonio, TX 78238

Challenge High School - 522-8120
6632 Bandera Road • San Antonio, TX 78238

Clark High School - 561-5150
5150 DeZavala Road • San Antonio, TX 78249

Communications Arts High School - 688-6043
11600 FM 471 West • San Antonio, TX 78253

Evening High School - 706-7060
6500 Ingram Road • San Antonio, TX 78238

Health Careers High School - 617-5400
4646 Hamilton Wolfe • San Antonio, TX 78229

Holmes High School - 706-7000
6500 Ingram Road • San Antonio, TX 78238

Holmgreen Jr/Sr High School - 617-5460
8580 Ewing Halsell • San Antonio, TX 78229

Jay High School - 678-2700
7611 Marbach • San Antonio, TX 78227

Marshall High School - 706-7100
8000 Lobo Lane • San Antonio, TX 78240

Northside Alternative High School - 706-7080
144 Hunt Lane • San Antonio, TX 78245

O'Connor High School - 695-4800
12221 Leslie Road • Helotes, TX 78023

Sunset High School - 706-7198
8000 Lobo Lane • San Antonio, TX 78240

Taft High School - 688-6000
11600 FM 471 West • San Antonio, TX 78253

Warren High School - 257-4200
9414 Military Drive West • San Antonio, TX 78251

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Planning for the Future

For Freshmen beginning the
2000-2001 school year &
previous years



Graduation Program Options for freshman beginning 2000-2001 and previous school years



Northside encourages all students to take a rigorous course of study during their four high school years

All students are encouraged to enroll in a graduation plan that includes 24 credits, either the state's Recommended Program or another 24-credit program. If students do not pursue the Recommended Program, then Northside encourages students to enroll in a 24-credit program that includes an extra social studies class (World Geography or World History) and a third science class. Either of these 24-credit programs will better prepare students to meet the increasing college admission requirements being considered by many Texas colleges and universities.

Northside Independent School District offers three graduation program options in accordance with state requirements. Since all Northside High Schools operate on a block schedule or a seven-period day schedule, students should be able to complete the requirements for any of the three graduation programs during their four years in high school.

Regular Program (22 credits)

Completion of the Regular Program of 22 credits will satisfy course requirements for students to attend the majority of Texas and other U.S. colleges and universities.

English	4 credit(s)
Mathematics	3 credit(s)
Science	2 credit(s)
World Geography or World History	1 credit(s)
U.S. History	1 credit(s)
Government	.5 credit(s)
Economics	.5 credit(s)
Science or Social Studies Elective	1 credit(s)
Phys. Ed. or Approved Substitute	1.5 credit(s)
Health	.5 credit(s)
Tech Application	1 credit(s)
Speech	.5 credit(s)
Electives*	5.5 credit(s)

Recommended Program (24 credits)

English	4 credit(s)
Mathematics	3 credit(s)
Science	3 credit(s)
World Geography	1 credit(s)
U.S. History	1 credit(s)
World History	1 credit(s)
Government	.5 credit(s)
Economics	.5 credit(s)
International Language (Same language in a sequence)	2 credit(s)
Phys. Ed. or Approved Substitute	1.5 credit(s)
Health	.5 credit(s)
Tech Application	1 credit(s)
Fine Arts	1 credit(s)
Speech	.5 credit(s)
Electives*	3.5 credit(s)

Distinguished Program (24 credits)

English	4 credit(s)
Mathematics	3 credit(s)
Science	3 credit(s)
World Geography	1 credit(s)
U.S. History	1 credit(s)
World History	1 credit(s)
Government	.5 credit(s)
Economics	.5 credit(s)
Health	.5 credit(s)
Physical Education	1.5 credit(s)
Tech Application	1 credit(s)
International Language (Same language in a sequence)	3 credit(s)
Fine Arts	1 credit(s)
Speech	.5 credit(s)
Electives*	2.5 credit(s)

State Board of Education approved courses for grades 9-12, relating to the Texas Knowledge and Skills (TEKS).

Notes

- Students must pass the 10th grade exit level TAAS test to graduate.
- Students must complete at least four advanced measures to receive the Distinguished Achievement Program. Advanced measures may include research projects, Advanced Placement passing scores or exams, dual credit, or college courses with grades of 3.0 or better.
- Students should see their school counselors for the criteria that must be met to earn the four Advanced Measures required.
- Students completing the Recommended and Distinguished Programs will receive a regular diploma with a seal on their Academic Achievement Record (AAR) indicating which program they completed.

Scholarships

Early Graduate Scholarship: Students who graduate from high school in 3 years qualify to receive limited scholarship funds to attend a college or university in Texas.

Toward Excellence, Access and Success Scholarship (TEXAS): This scholarship is available to students in economic need who graduate from high school with either the Recommended or Distinguished Program. It will pay for the average statewide amount of tuition and fees of a state four-year institution, a technical institute, or a community college. Students must enroll in a Texas educational institution and maintain a 2.5 GPA while taking at least three-quarters of a full course load for an undergraduate.

Teach for Texas Grants Program: This grant is available to all students who have a TEXAS scholarship or to those who meet all requirements of a TEXAS scholarship. Persons who receive these grants will receive double the amount of funding allocated to TEXAS grantees. Students receiving this grant must agree to teach for at least five years in a critical need field, or in a community with a critical teacher shortage. If a student fulfills the five year teaching requirement, the entire amount of the grant will be waived.

Automatic College Admittance

Students graduating in the top 10% of their class are entitled to be automatically admitted to a Texas public college or university.