

**TRANSMOUNTAIN T-STEM EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL**  
**A National Blue Ribbon School**



**Application for Admission**  
**Students entering the ninth grade in the Fall of 2020**

**Submission deadline: November 15, 2019**

**Part I: School Overview**

The Transmountain Early College High School is an educational opportunity provided through the collaboration of the El Paso Independent School District, the El Paso Community College, Educate Texas and the Texas Education Agency. This unique school is specifically designed to provide students with a rigorous course of study focused on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math. Students attending the school will be provided advanced coursework that enables the student to attain an Associate Degree while completing his/her Texas high school diploma, with Multidisciplinary and STEM Endorsements. The school redefines the typical comprehensive high school experience into an academically oriented, small school setting housed on the Transmountain campus of the El Paso Community College.

**Part II: Applicant Information - (Please Print)**

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

2. Name you wish to go by: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ \*Gender:  F  M Student ID # \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year

4. Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Number and Name Apt. Number Zip Code

5. Home Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian's Work Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian's Cell Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Student's email address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian's email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person with whom you reside: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_

6. \*Has anyone in your immediate family received a college degree (i.e. brother, sister, mom or dad)?  
 No  Yes If yes: What is the highest degree achieved? \_\_\_\_\_

7. What do you want to study for your college degree? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Name of Current School: \_\_\_\_\_ School Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

9. Current Counselor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

11. Parent/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please Print

12. Parent/Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Part II: Applicant Criteria, Important Information and Selection Process

The criteria for selecting and retaining students into the Transmountain Early College High School are as follows:

- The applicant must meet ALL requirements for **promotion** from eighth grade to ninth grade (including 90% attendance, grades – 70% overall GPA in 8<sup>th</sup> grade core subjects, and passing scores on the **8<sup>TH</sup> grade** Spring 2020 STAAR tests).
- The applicant must attend a two-week Summer Bridge Program in June of 2020.
- The applicant must have submitted the application for admission to TMECHS by the deadline of **Nov. 15, 2019. Failure to apply by this initial deadline will prevent applicant from participation in round 1 of the Lottery.** Applications received after the deadline will be accepted, but will be placed on a waiting list.
- Incoming students who do not meet “College Level” on the Reading TSI (college readiness test) by July 1, 2021 will have their transfer revoked and will return to their home campus for the 2021-22 school year. There will be ample opportunity for incoming freshmen to pass this test in Summer Bridge 2020 and during the 2020-2021 school year.
- If the student does not qualify for college classes prior to the start of the 9<sup>th</sup> grade year but meets the standard during the 9<sup>th</sup> grade year, he/she may be required to attend summer classes prior to the 10<sup>th</sup> grade year to make up the college courses missed.

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- While attending the Transmountain Early College High School, if the student experiences issues with attendance, tardiness, discipline, low grades (due to lack of effort), or lack of parent/guardian cooperation, the administration reserves the right to recommend that the student’s transfer to the Transmountain Early College High School be revoked and the student returned to his/her home campus.
  - The applicant and guardian must be aware that the Transmountain Early College High School does not have lockers; therefore, the applicant is required to carry his/her laptops/books/supplies, etc.
  - Competitive sports and Fine Arts are not offered on the Transmountain Early College High School campus, although the campus does have UIL Solo Ensemble, Regionals, UIL Competitions in all academic categories, intramural sports, AcaDec, High Q, TSA, and a vast array of clubs.
  - Roundtrip transportation is only provided from the applicant’s EPISD home high school campus. The applicant is responsible for getting to/from his/her home school.

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The process for selecting students for admission into the Transmountain Early College High School is as follows:

- A lottery process will be used to select the students for admission if more than 125 qualified students apply.
- A second lottery will take place if any of the first round winners do not accept the invitation to attend TMECHS.
- A total of 125 students will be admitted for the incoming freshmen class.

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## **Summary of TMECHS Application Packet Contents:**

<b>DOCUMENT:</b>	<b>SOURCE:</b>
<b>1. Application with student/parent signatures (Top page only; Please keep 2<sup>nd</sup> page of information)</b>	<b>Student/Parent</b>
<b>2. 7<sup>TH</sup> grade STAAR scores</b>	<b>Counselor/Registrar</b>
<b>3. 7<sup>th</sup> grade Report Card</b>	<b>Counselor/Registrar</b>
<b>4. 8<sup>TH</sup> grade 1st 9-weeks Report Card &amp; Progress</b>	<b>Counselor/Registrar</b>
<b>5. Middle school transcript</b>	<b>Counselor/Registrar</b>

### **EPISD Non-Discrimination Clause**

The El Paso Independent School District does not discriminate in its educational programs or employment practices on the basis of race, color, age, sex, religion, national origin, marital status, citizenship, military status, disability, genetic information, gender stereotyping and perceived sexuality, or on any other basis prohibited by law. Inquiries concerning the application of Titles VI, VII, IX, and Section 504 may be referred to the District compliance officer, Patricia Cortez, at 230-2033; Section 504 inquiries regarding students may be referred to Verna Ball at 230-2829.

### **En Español**

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