Curriculum and Support: The ECHS shall provide a rigorous course of study that enables a participating student to receive a high school diploma and complete the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's core curriculum, obtain certifications, earn an associate's degree, or earn at least 60 hours of credit hours toward a baccalaureate degree during grades 9–12.

Students shall receive tutoring and assistance in obtaining college readiness status.

Students shall receive enrichment opportunities such as community service involvement, career investigations, and college entrance/financial aid counseling.

Academic Rigor and Readiness: The ECHS shall administer a Texas Success Initiative (TSI) college readiness placement exam to all accepted ECHS students to assess college readiness, design individual instructional support plans, and enable students to begin college courses based on their performance on the exam.

School Design: The ECHS must provide a full-day program at an autonomous high school, a college liaison with decision-making authority, and a highly-qualified staff with support and training.

AVID: Birdville ISD ECHS students will participate in the Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) Program.

Students will benefit from organized tutoring, instruction focused on successful habits to foster college success.



Why was Haltom High selected as the District Site?

HHS is a National AVID Demonstration Site

Facilities capacity; space requirements for courses could be met

Access to new science labs

Innovative scheduling allows students to participate in ECHS and fine arts/athletics (a priority in Birdville not available in all ECHS sites.)

Potential Long-Range Opportunities

Smaller Smarter Promise Scholarship at Texas Wesleyan University

Students who transfer to Texas Wesleyan from a regionally accredited college with at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average and 42 credit hours may receive an award which covers 100% of tuition, excluding fees, for students who meet all of the requirements. Students must be eligible for the full amount of Federal Pell Grant (zero estimated family contribution).



Area School Districts which offer ECHS Enrollment

Arlington ISD

Burleson ISD

Crowley ISD

Carrollton Farmers Branch ISD

Dallas ISD

Everman ISD

Fort Worth ISD

Grand Prairie ISD

Grapevine-Colleyville ISD

Mansfield ISD

Waxahachie ISD

