



Valley View T-STEM ECHS

ECHS Renewal Application

2018-2019

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Background

District Affiliation

VALLEY VIEW ISD

DC #: 108916

Region: 01

Mailing Address (Line 1): 9701 S JACKSON RD

Mailing Address (Line 2):

City, State, Zip: PHARR, TX 78577

School Affiliation

VALLEY VIEW H S

CDC #: 108-916-001

Region:

Mailing Address (Line 1): 9701 S JACKSON RD

Mailing Address (Line 2):

City, State, Zip: PHARR, TX 78577

Academy Information

ECHS Academy Name:

Valley View T-STEM ECHS

What grade level range will your academy serve in the 2018-2019 school year?

9-12

Grade Level	Number of Students
9	125
10	124
11	101
12	110

Contacts

Superintendent

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Applicant

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IHE Liaison

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Narratives

ECHS Model

Which ECHS model does the district intend to implement at this time? Within these models, there are variations. For this purpose campus is defined as a CDC number not a physical location.

School-Within-School (SWS) - A subset of students on the campus are enrolled in grades 9-12 are enrolled in the ECHS academy.

Evaluation

Would your campus would like to be considered for distinguished recognition? All ECHS seeking distinguished recognition will be measured against the highest OMBs.

No

Products

Please provide links to the following products' locations on the ECHS's website: *If the ECHS has all these documents on one webpage, provide the hyperlink here.

Provide a link to the academy's written admission policy and enrollment application.

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the academy's written recruitment plan including a timeline of recruitment and enrollment events, and recruitment materials for distribution at feeder schools and other appropriate locations in the community

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the academy's brochures and marketing in Spanish, English, and/or other relevant language(s) .

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the academy's written communication plan for targeting identified audiences,

parents, community members, school board, higher education personnel, etc.

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the final, signed, and executed MOU.

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the academy's leadership meeting agendas and minutes.

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the academy's school board and board of regents' presentations.

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the academy's description of each member and role in committee.

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the academy's 60 college credit hours crosswalk.

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the academy's calendar of family outreach events.

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the academy's professional learning community agendas and notes.

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the academy's advisory/study skills curriculum material.

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the academy's master schedules.

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the academy's calendar of TSI test administration dates.

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the academy's aggregate reports of TSI exam performance.

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the academy's tutoring and bridge program schedules.

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Provide a link to the academy's Bridge Program curricula.

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the academy's mentor/induction program plans.

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the academy's annual training or professional development plan with ECHS and IHE faculty.

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the academy's leader/liaison meeting agendas and notes.

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Provide a link to the academy's leadership team member bios.

https://vvhs.vviewisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=203431&type=d&pREC_ID=1403702

Free-Response

If the ECHS has identified and implemented sustainability structures to address and minimize the challenges of staff turnover, please describe those structures here.

Valley View T-STEM ECHS identifies, interviews and hires Highly Qualified teachers. We provide an environment where teachers have the support and resources to become instructional leaders in their content area. Teachers are supported through continuous, year-round, professional development. Dual Credit/Adjunct faculty receive additional support from our IHE partner, South Texas College. Dual Credit/Adjunct faculty attend professional development, department meetings and receive additional training through the Developing Excellence in Learning and Teaching Academy (DELTA)

All Early College High School teachers receive an additional stipend for serving ECHS students. The district encourages teachers to pursue Master level degree and offers incentive pay for teachers with Master's level degrees in their content area. Teachers may also earn additional stipends for teaching dual credit coursework.

Teachers play an integral part in the ECHS curriculum decision making process. They receive the full support of administration to implement their creative and innovative teaching strategies. The academy experiences very low turnover each year. New staff is always assigned a mentor teacher to assist with the transition into ECHS.

Describe the processes that the dual credit provider and the ECHS campuses monitor student progress, and determine when interventions are needed. How is this ECHS going to share data and monitor student progress and ensure student success?

Valley View T-STEM ECHS has a strong MOU with South Texas College. We collaborate regularly through meetings to monitor student progress. We are in constant communication through phone calls, emails and site visits throughout the semester to address students needs.

South Texas College provides reports each semester with student enrollment, application status and individual academic standing as well as individual grade reports. This allows us to examine academic progress for each student and provide student support services as needed. ECHS counselors also use this data to help tailor personal graduation plans and help each student plan both high school and college schedules through one-on-one meetings.

Students that are placed on academic probation or suspension are required to complete an online module and/or attend academic counseling provided by South Texas College. Students and counselors also use Degree Works, a tool provided by South Texas College, that helps monitor student progress, financial aid standing and degree planning. Our ECHS counselors collaborate with our IHE partner to plan degree audits in the fall and spring semesters to ensure students stay on track with their college coursework.

Endorsements

Identify the current endorsements that are offered:

- Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)
- Business and Industry
- Public Services
- Arts and Humanities
- Multi-disciplinary Studies

Certificates

Identify all associate degrees offered to students.

Degree	Description
Associate of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies	The Associate of Arts Degree field of study in Interdisciplinary Studies provides students with a broad-based education in "college basics" that promotes critical thinking skills and allows
Associate of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies	The Associate of Science Degree field of study in Interdisciplinary Studies provides students with a broad-based education in "college basics" that promotes critical thinking skills and

Identify all level one certificates offered to students.

Certification	Description
Welding 1	Students will learn how to safely set up and preset welding equipment, and how to perform preventative maintenance on welding equipment. Students will also receive training in welding safety

Identify all level two certificates offered to students.

Certification	Description

TSI + IHE

Is this ECHS a TSI testing site?

Yes

Is the IHE liaison working with other ECHS campuses?

Yes
