

# Preparing for college starts in 7th & 8th grade



## DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM

### **Participating in the Alvin College Dual Enrollment program has many benefits:**

- Earn an Associate's and/or Bachelor's Degree in less time
- Save money with discounted tuition
- Complete college core classes while earning high school credits
- Earn technical certifications to prepare for the workforce (AISD schools only)

### **Where are Dual Enrollment courses offered and who teaches them?**

Dual Enrollment classes are college classes taught at the high schools, at the Alvin College campus or online. They are taught by college professors or credentialed high school instructors.

### **What are Academic Transfer or Technical Pathways?**

Academic Transfer Pathways prepare students to transfer to four-year universities. Students can complete relevant coursework or their intended major or earn an Associate's Degree in General Studies while in high school. Technical Certificate Pathways prepare students to enter the workforce after high school graduation through successful completion of certification exams.

### **Are Dual Enrollment credits the same as AP credits?**

Unlike AP courses, which require students to pass an end-of-year exam, Dual Enrollment students receive college credits, which will transfer to all Texas public colleges and universities after completing the course (students must earn a C or higher). Students are encouraged to meet with their Alvin College Dual Enrollment Advisor to determine which Dual Enrollment classes best fit their college and career plans.

### **How do I get started with Dual Enrollment?**

Students can begin taking Dual Enrollment classes the summer after their 8th grade year. To learn more about the Alvin College admissions process and required TSI testing, please visit the Alvin College Dual Enrollment website listed below.

### **How can I learn more about the Alvin College Dual Enrollment program?**

The Alvin College Dual Enrollment Program hosts online information sessions in the late fall and early spring. To learn more about those sessions and the program, please visit the Dual Enrollment website.

**[www.alvincollege.edu/dualenrollment](http://www.alvincollege.edu/dualenrollment)**

*Let us help you get started today!*

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