



Sabinal ISD
Welding Jackets P-TECH Academy
Program Handbook
2022-2023

Sabinal High School
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Instructor

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PURPOSE

Pathways in Technology Early College High Schools (P-TECH) is an open-enrollment program that provides students with work-based education. P-TECH programs:

- Provide students grades 9 through 12 the opportunity to complete a course of study that combines high school and post-secondary courses.
- Within six years, enable students to earn a high school diploma, an associate degree, a two-year post-secondary certificate or industry certification, and work-based training.
- Allow students to gain work experience through internships, apprenticeships, or other job training programs.
- Partner with Texas Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs) and regional businesses and industries, giving students access to post-secondary education and workforce training opportunities

ADMISSION POLICY

The program must target students from underrepresented backgrounds. However, students of all backgrounds are encouraged to apply for admission. Following Texas Education Agency guidelines, enrollment decisions shall not be based on test scores, student discipline, teacher recommendations, essays, grade point average, or other criteria that create barriers to student enrollment. Students must be enrolled in the Sabinal Independent School District to apply. To be considered for enrollment, incoming 9th-grade students must complete the P-TECH application and submit it before the application deadline. Current 9th-grade students are also eligible to apply up until the last week of April. Students cannot make initial entry to the P-TECH at any other time unless they transfer from a similar program in another district. Grade level enrollment will not exceed 15 students per cohort. If over 15 students apply, SISD will utilize a weighted lottery to select students for admission. Students not accepted through the lottery will be placed on a waiting list.

RECRUITMENT PLAN

The recruitment and enrollment process shall aim to identify sub-populations of students that are at-risk, including, but not limited to, students who are of limited English proficiency, students with disabilities, and students that have failed a state assessment. Recruitment efforts will also focus on student groups that are traditionally underrepresented in higher education: African American, Hispanic, and Native American students as well as first generation college students and those with low socioeconomic status. Although recruitment efforts will focus on students meeting the

above criteria, all students are able to take advantage of the program and have equal access to apply.

COMMUNICATION PLAN

In an effort to reach our target audience, events will be planned throughout the year to engage stakeholders and disseminate information about the P-TECH program. Promotional materials will be distributed to each campus in the district, and events will be scheduled at the elementary, junior high, and high school campuses to inform and engage stakeholders with age appropriate activities. Emphasis will be placed on communicating with middle school students through the college and career readiness curriculum, advisory cohort meetings, and open house presentations held on a monthly basis. P-TECH staff members will also give yearly updates to the School Board and will be present at local community events throughout the year to answer questions and discuss the program with stakeholders of all backgrounds.

APPLICATION

To be considered for enrollment, current 9th-grade students must complete the P-TECH application and submit it before the application deadline. Current 10th-grade students are also eligible to apply up until the second week of May. Students cannot make initial entry to the P-TECH at any other time unless they transfer from an existing P-TECH Welding program in another district. Grade level enrollment will not exceed 15 students per cohort.

Application Window: 04/25/2022 - 05/13/2022

WEIGHTED LOTTERY

In the event over 15 incoming sophomore and/or junior students, respectively, apply for the program, a lottery will be utilized to determine who is admitted. The lottery is weighted, and targets a population of students that closely mirrors that of the district. Students who are not selected during the lottery are placed on a waiting list. Vacancies that occur after the lottery will be filled from the waiting list.

INSTRUCTOR

Warren Beard, Sabinal High School Agriculture Science Teacher, CTE Coordinator

Credentials: BS General Agriculture w/ Certification to Teach

Certifications - Vocational Agriculture 6-12; Speech

American Welding Society D1.1 CWI

NCCER Core & Welding Instructor

OSHA 30 Hour Certification Trainer

Agriculture Mechanics Certified Instructor

SWTJC Adjunct Faculty (Summer 2022)

Testing Calendar and Schedule

Sabinal High School is now an approved TSI testing site. For registration and information contact Mrs. [Dawn Henry](#), Student Services Coordinator.

(Per SWTJC: TSI is not required for Level One Basic & Advanced Certificate)

Sabinal High School will host the SAT on: May 7 and June 4

For registration and information contact Mrs. [Dawn Henry](#), Student Services Coordinator.

Hondo High School is hosting the ACT:
Summer ACT Test Dates: June 11 and July 16

- Registration Deadline for June 11 ACT Test: May 6
- Registration Deadline for July 16 ACT Test: June 17

<https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act.html>

EXTRACURRICULAR ORGANIZATION (FFA) GENERAL RULES

Each student enrolled in an agriculture science class is automatically a member of the Local, District, Area and National FFA Organization (FFA). Dues are **paid for by Sabinal ISD at no cost to the students**. Parents are also encouraged to join and participate in booster type activities.

Any student with frequent discipline issues can be removed from the program and/or lose their FFA Officer title if they are involved with vaping/smoking, inappropriate behavior while on the ag campus or on an FFA/ag trip, ISS or DAEP. Students must be University Interscholastic League eligible to compete in any component of the Sabinal FFA (**AKA- NO PASS NO PLAY- EVEN IF YOUR STUDENT HAS ALREADY PRE-PAID FOR THE EVENT**).

CODE OF ETHICS

Academy students will honor the Code of Ethics. Failure to comply with the code of ethics will result in removal from the program. Students will conduct themselves at all times in a manner befitting their organization, chapter, school and community by:

1. Dressing neatly and appropriately for the occasion.
2. Showing respect for the rights of others and being courteous.
3. Being honest and not taking unfair advantage of others.
4. Respecting the property of others.
5. Refraining from loud, boisterous talk, swearing, and other unbecoming conduct including social media slander.

GUIDELINES FOR THE WELDING INSTRUCTION AND LABORATORY FACILITIES

1. All policies of Sabinal ISD governing students' conduct apply to all students. Policies governing smoking illegal weapons, and alcohol for any person on school property will also apply at all times. Violation forms will be issued for students failing to comply with project center rules. Guests of students who violate rules will also result in the student receiving a violation notice. Three violation notices, verbal or written, will result in the removal of the student from the program and facilities.

- All parents and visitors MUST check in at the front office for a visitor pass.

2. Students will be held financially accountable for willful acts of vandalism.
3. Use of tobacco or alcohol by students or parents on the premises will result in immediate removal of the student.
4. Visitors must have approval from the instructor and visit the front office for a visitors pass prior to visit. Any unapproved visitor can be cited for trespassing by the Uvalde County Sheriff's Department. Instructor(s) have the right to remove and ban any visitors from the facilities. This includes parents and family members. All family members are considered guests and MUST see the front office for a visitors pass before entering the facilities.
5. Fighting will not be tolerated. Both parties involved will be immediately removed from the facilities – no excuses!
 - Students involved will be written up by the teacher.

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**ASSUMPTION OF RISK/WAIVER OF LIABILITY/INDEMNIFICATION
FOR COMMUNICABLE DISEASES INCLUDING COVID-19**

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____ Home Phone: _____

Address: _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Names: _____

Parent/ Guardian phone: Work: _____ Home: _____

Other: _____

The Novel Coronavirus (“COVID-19”), has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. Additionally, declarations of disaster and other orders regarding public health have been issued from our national, state and local governments and currently remain in effect. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. While rules, guidance, and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious illness and death does exist.

As a result, and in consideration for providing my child the opportunity to participate in FFA EVENTS/FUNCTIONS and any related transportation to and from FFA EVENTS/FUNCTIONS events, both my child and I knowingly and freely agree:

1. To assume such risks, known and unknown;
2. To waive and discharge any and all claims against District; and
3. To release the District from liability

From, or as a result of any exposure to or illness or injury from or in any way related to an infectious disease, including COVID-19. This waiver and release includes claims for any negligent actions of the District or its employees, volunteers, representatives or agents, to the fullest extent allowed by law, for myself, my child, our estates, our heirs, our administrators, our executors, our assignees, and our successors.

I ALSO VOLUNTARILY AGREE TO RELEASE, EXONERATE, DISCHARGE, HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY THE DISTRICT, ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS THEREOF, AND ALL OFFICERS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS AND REPRESENTATIVES, BOTH IN THEIR OFFICIAL AND INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY FROM ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS, CAUSES OF ACTION, OR DEMANDS, INCLUDING ATTORNEY FEES, FINES, FEES OR OTHER COSTS (E.G. MEDICAL COSTS) ARISING OUT OF OR IN ANY WAY RELATED TO ANY EXPOSURE TO OR ILLNESS OR INJURY FROM AN INFECTIOUS DISEASE INCLUDING COVID-19, WHICH MAY RESULT FROM OR IN CONNECTION WITH MY CHILD’S PARTICIPATION IN FFA EVENTS/FUNCTIONS.

Nothing in this release and indemnification agreement shall be construed or interpreted to waive or diminish any privileges and/or immunities provided to the District under Federal and State law or judicial doctrine.

I further certify and represent that I have the legal authority to waive, discharge, release, and hold harmless and indemnify the released parties on behalf of myself and the above-named student.

I certify that I have read this document in its entirety and fully understand its contents. In exchange for the opportunity to participate in the FFA EVENTS/FUNCTIONS, the above-named student and I freely and voluntarily assume all risks of such hazards and, notwithstanding such, release and indemnify the District from all liability for any loss regardless of cause, and any claims arising from the student's participation in the [sport or activity].

Student Signature

Date

Student Printed Name

DOB

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

Date

Parent/Legal Guardian Printed Name