

EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

BAPS2TCC

EDGE: EARN A DEGREE, GRADUATE EARLY



PILOT EXPANSION

Who are we?

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EARN COLLEGE CREDIT IN HIGH SCHOOL

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Associate Degree and high school diploma

ECHS & Tulsa Community College

8th Grade Apply to ECHS and to TCC EDGE.
Required TCC summer bridge.

9th Grade Preparatory high school curriculum at ECHS. Required TCC summer bridge.

10th Grade Preparatory high school curriculum at ECHS.
Begin college courses in the fall of 10th grade at NSU campus.

11th Grade 1 ECHS class and 4 TCC college courses each semester at NSU.
Summer course at TCC campus.

12th Grade 1 ECHS classes and 4 TCC college courses each semester.
Six of the eight courses at TCC campus.



- Application based program for incoming 9th grade students only
 - 80% Student focus:
 - Oklahoma Promise registrants,
 - first generation college students, and
 - underrepresented minorities in college.
 - 20% Student focus:
 - Anyone else
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Essay Requirement:

- Address the prompt in approximately 500 words (not fewer than 450).
- Avoid grammatical and spelling errors as well as redundancy.
- Complete all responses independently—no help from parents or teachers.
- It is recommended that you type your essay in a Google word so that you can link your essay to the application.
- However, if you are submitting your application on paper, please do the following:
 - Write in print letters in black or blue ink.
 - Write only on one side of the notebook paper.
 - Observe the margins of the notebook paper.
 - Do not use folders or report covers.
 - Turn in to your middle school counselor by the deadline.
- Sample 500 word essay: <http://bit.ly/sampleessayECHS>



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Choose 1 Essay Prompt:

- Discuss what you feel will be your biggest challenge in participating in the Early College High School Pathway Program in high school.
 - Explain what you think the following quote means and how it might apply to your life now or in the future. "It's easier to build strong children than it is to repair broken men."
Fredrick Douglas
 - Describe a real-world problem you have encountered or witnessed and propose a means of improving the problem. Stay away from ideological topics (e.g., prayer or religion in public schools or racism). Focus on tangible issues where there are specific action steps anyone can take.
 - Define what leadership means to you and give examples, positive or negative, from your life. Your essay should demonstrate what you learned about leadership and how you hope to use those lessons.
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Also required for EDGE:

- 2 letters of recommendation from:
 - One from an 8th grade educator
 - One “non-school” person – Boy/Girl Scout leader, coach, pastor/clergy,

ECHS – no letters required.



College Program Approximate Cost

One year of college - \$900.00

Two years of college – Oklahoma Promise - \$0; everyone else \$1800.

EDGE Two years of college – everyone \$0

Option #3: TCC EDGE = ZERO cost to all cohort students.

Normal Associate's degree - \$8,500 for a high school graduate at TCC; \$10-18,000 at an Oklahoma four year university.

- ECHS students can still participate in Athletics, Fine Arts, Band, etc.
- BA Transportation is provided to NSU-BA
 - From home to BAFA for all grade levels
 - Shuttles from BAFA to ECHS - NSU-BA each morning
 - Shuttles to BAFA for 6th period and to BAHS for 5th and 6th periods.
- BA Lunch is provided by a food cart.
 - Students can also purchase from NSU's Cafe.

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ECHS Benefits

- Smaller School Population (Less than 200 students)
- Focused support for college entrance scores and college level work
- Help with college enrollment
- **Financial savings!**

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ECHS application process:

- Each step is required:
 - Complete the ECHS application: online at the link provided or on paper.
 - Write & Submit essay.
 - **IF also applying for the TCC ECHS Cohort Pilot,**
 - One from an 8th grade educator
 - One “non-school” person – Boy/Girl Scout leader, coach, pastor/clergy, neighbor, or employer
 - Submit application by 5pm, Feb. 15th.

So why choose ECHS in 9th grade?

Questions?

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