

University Preparatory High School Program



February 7, 2018

Dear 8th grade students and parents,

What's in a name? When it comes to the early college high school program, formed through a partnership with Flour Bluff ISD and TAMU-CC, the name says it all; **University Preparatory High School Program**. This year's members of the Flour Bluff Junior High 8th grade class, graduates of 2022, have the opportunity to become part of this innovative program. Imagine graduating from high school with college credits earned toward a bachelor's degree.

University Prep's mission is to deliver rigorous coursework that is relevant to the students' interests and career goals while supporting each student through meaningful relationships with the teachers, administration and college faculty. The program forms smaller learning communities where accelerated and personalized instruction are provided with the intent of having students participate in Dual Credit courses while enrolled in high school. At University Prep, everyone has the opportunity to go to college.

All 8th grade students that meet the residential requirement are eligible to apply, and the University Preparatory High School Program will consider, with priority any student who meets one or more of the following criteria.

Residential Requirement:

1. The student must reside in the boundaries of the Flour Bluff School District prior to the UPHSP application deadline.
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2. Students residing outside of the Flour Bluff School District and are interested in applying to the UPHSP must be enrolled as an 8th grader at the Flour Bluff Junior High School before the UPHSP application deadline.

and

Target Population Considered with Priority

- Students who desire to be first generation college graduates
- Students who are at risk as defined by the Public Education Information Management System (PIEMS)
- Students who are considered economically disadvantaged
- Students who are English language learners

Anyone who is interested in learning more about University Prep is invited to attend the parent meeting to be held at Flour Bluff High School Teaching Theater. Two informational meetings are scheduled for:

❖ **February 27, 2018** **or** **February 28, 2018**

(only need to attend one of these meeting dates)

❖ **Location: High School Teaching Theater**

❖ **Time: 6 - 7pm**

Respectfully,
Dr. Allison Schaum
Director
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