## **Early Admissions**

Several programs allow students who have not yet graduated from high school or completed home school to get a jump start on the future, including early admission for qualifying students. Early admission students meet the following criteria:

- Comply with Texas Success Initiative (TSI) requirements
  - Meet the placement requirements with official documentation of Texas Success initiative (TSI)
    exemption or compliance (test scores or official college transcript) or take mandatory placement
    tests. Exception: Students enrolling in Level One Certificate programs that do not identify skill levels
    are not required to test.
- Apply for admission
  - Complete and submit the admission application through <u>ApplyTexas</u>. An active application is required to move forward with the enrollment process.
- Complete the sophomore year of high school or the home school equivalent and be 16 years of age by the start of the academic year enrolled.
- Complete and submit the Early Admit form
- Submit a letter of recommendation from a counselor or designee and parental approval addressing the
  applicant's maturity and ability to function well in a college environment.
- Submit official high school transcript of coursework completed prior to registration at one of the Alamo Colleges
- Provide proof of bacterial meningitis vaccination
  - State law requires that entering students show evidence of receiving a bacterial meningitis vaccination or booster dose during the five (5) year period prior to enrollment. The law allows for some exceptions. Check the Alamo Colleges website for additional information. Information is also available through the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB).
- Schedule an advising session

Maximum combined class load must not exceed eighteen (18) semester credit hours, counting each high school course as equivalent to one three-hour course. Re-enrollment eligibility in subsequent semesters requires a grade of "C" or better in all college-level courses.

In order to obtain an official transcript of Alamo Colleges coursework after high school graduation, an early admit students must obtain a final official transcript that includes the graduation date. Prior to high school graduation, the Alamo Colleges will only release an official transcript of Alamo Colleges coursework directly to other institutions of higher education at the student's request.

Early admissions students seeking to continue enrollment with the Alamo Colleges after high school graduation must submit an <a href="ApplyTexas">ApplyTexas</a> application as a high school graduate and follow the admissions steps outlined under the High School Admissions category.