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# Junior Parent Meeting

— April 2020 —

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# Choices 360

With **Choices 360**, students can take career interest inventories, search majors and careers of interest, schools, scholarship offerings, etc.

## How to Sign In to Choices 360:

1. Sign in to your LHUB Account: [lhub.lisd.net](http://lhub.lisd.net)
2. Click the Choices 360 button
3. You will be asked to indicate if you agree to the Choices 360 privacy policy and terms of use.
4. Indicate “yes,” to be signed directly into a new Choices 360 account





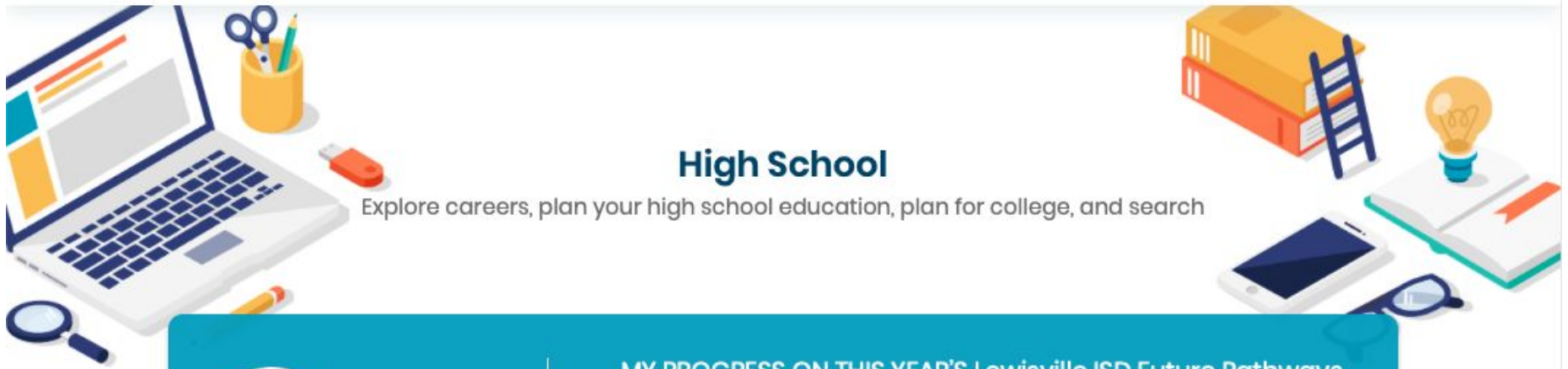
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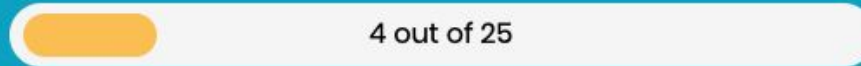
## High School

Explore careers, plan your high school education, plan for college, and search



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MY PROGRESS ON THIS YEAR'S Lewisville ISD Future Pathways



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LEARN ABOUT YOURSELF  
GET A JOB VOICES



In 'Career Planning' tab, students can take an Interest Profiler to match careers.

## Career Planning



### Learn About Yourself

Determine your interests, skills, and work values and use them to find career options that are right for you.

> Learn About Yourself

### Explore Careers

Search for careers using things like salaries and career clusters or look for specific careers.

> Explore Careers



### Get a Job



### Quicklinks

- > Interest Profiler
- > Career Plan Builder
- > Career Finder
- > Resume Builder

### Your Portfolio

Go to the **Career Planning index page**

#### Saved Careers

- > Secondary School Teacher

#### Resumes

- > Practice 1



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Christina Beck | Sign Out | Talk to Us | Need Help?

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PREPARE FOR COLLEGE TEST PREP EXPLORE SCHOOLS EXPLORE PROGRAMS AND MAJORS APPLICATIONS AND TRANSCRIPTS VOICES

## TEST PREP

*DOING WELL ON ANY TEST REQUIRES PRACTICE. IF YOU PUT IN THE TIME, YOU'LL IMPROVE.*

### SAT

*The SAT is designed to assess your academic readiness for college...*

### ACT

*The ACT is a standardized test that measures your educational development...*

### ACCUPLACER

*The Accuplacer is a college placement test used by over 2,000 colleges as part of...*

### ASVAB

*The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) is a series of multiple...*

### PSAT

*The PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT 10 are the same test and measure reading, writing...*

### HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY EXAMS

*The GED, HiSET test and the TASC are all what is known as high school equivalency...*

### VOCABULARY

*Improve your vocabulary and your work will pay off...*

Click on 'College Planning' tab and have access to several test prep websites.



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FINANCIAL AID 101  
FINANCIAL FITNESS

YOUR PLAN

CALCULATORS

SCHOLARSHIPS



In the 'Financial Aid Planning' tab, students have access to financial aid help and scholarship searches.

## \$ Financial Aid Planning



### Financial Aid 101

Do you want to go to college, but don't think you can afford it? Does the vast array of options for paying for college seem like a confusing puzzle?

You CAN afford to go to college, and by researching your options, you can build success.

[> Financial Aid 101](#)

### Financial Aid Calculators

Determine your cost of college, college savings, loans and scholarship amounts.

[> Financial Aid Calculators](#)

### Find Scholarships

Here's a quick and painless way of locating scholarships and other financial aid you might be eligible for.

[> Find Scholarships](#)

### Quicklinks

- [> Find Scholarships](#)
- [> Financial Aid Planning Timeline](#)
- [> Financial Aid 101 Articles](#)
- [> Financial Aid Wizard](#)

### Your Portfolio

Go to the **Financial Aid Planning Page**

Saved Scholarships



# College Application Requirements

- **Application**
    - Check university website for application link. Applications include:
      - Common App
      - Apply Texas
      - Coalition
      - Individual School Application, found on their website
    - Plan for deadlines
    - Essays
      - Opportunity for student to tell their story
  - **Send Official Transcript**
    - Request official transcript through the **Transcript Request Link** on MHS website
    - Registrar in A103 if you have any questions
  - **Send ACT/SAT Test Scores**
    - Must be sent from the testing institution to the college
    - Community College can use scores to be exempt from the TSI
  - **Recommendation letters**
    - Check to see if this is required
    - Provide teacher, or counselor senior brag sheet/resume 2 weeks before
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# RANK Opt-Out on Transcript

Two windows to have rank removed from transcript:

- May 2020 (end of junior year)
- September 2020 (beginning senior year)

Once the rank is removed from the transcript, it CAN NOT go back on.

**This is done on the parent portal of Skyward ONLY.**

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## Factors in Your Decision

- Where are you applying?
- What do you need to be accepted?
- What are your scores and GPA and rank?
- What has your admissions rep at the school suggested that you do?
- What else do you have that will be beneficial to the admissions process? (extracurricular, community service, etc)
- Pros/Cons based on your statistics and what is needed to be accepted

## Where do I find this information?

- Start with your college websites!
  - Freshman Admissions
  - Call the admissions office if you have more questions!
- LISD Junior/Senior Handbook  
[www.lisd.net/JRSR](http://www.lisd.net/JRSR)
- School counselor resources
- [www.collegeforalltexans.com](http://www.collegeforalltexans.com)
- [www.lisd.net/classrank](http://www.lisd.net/classrank)



# Requesting Official Transcripts

**marcus** OUR SCHOOL ACADEMICS ATHLETICS FINE ARTS ELECTIVES PROGRAMS & SERVICES RESOURCES

7:00 PM Board Meeting  
11:15 AM - 11:45 AM Course Verification

**VIEW CALENDAR**

**DISTRICT ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**AROUND THE 'VILLE**  
Check out our monthly showcase of accomplishments from around Lewisville ISD.  
March 20, 2020

**CAMPUS NEWS**

**MARCUS SENIOR 2020 CELEBRATIONS – THE VIRTUAL WALL**  
April 9, 2020

**SENIOR CELEBRATIONS, NEWSPAPER AND VIDEO**  
April 9, 2020

**LETTER 2020 SENIORS AND FAMILIES**  
April 9, 2020

**QUICK LINKS**

**TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS**

MORNING ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEKLY CALENDAR

MHS MAJOR DATES

BELL SCHEDULE

On Marcus Homepage, click the link "Transcript Requests".

Lewisville ISD Student Records Requests Home Order Tracker

**Select To Get Started:**

**CLICK HERE** if you are a **CURRENT STUDENT** and would like to order your transcript

**CLICK HERE** if you are a **FORMER STUDENT** and would like to order your student record or transcript

**CLICK HERE** if you are a **CORPORATION, VERIFICATION COMPANY, or GOVERNMENT AGENCY** requesting a graduation verification or student record

**General Information**

Lewisville Independent School District is now offering a secure website for corporations, post-secondary institutions and military recruiters to request student records online.

Lewisville Independent School District policy and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) student records are only available to those who have authorization from the student or parent, guardian or responsible person if the student is less than 18 years of age. If the student is 18 years of age or older, school records will not be released to a parent, guardian, or responsible person without the student's written consent.

**Please note the information below:**

- Requests for information must be completed online and will be processed on normal business days during normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM).
- Phone, Email and fax requests will no longer be accepted.
- **OFFICIAL transcripts are ONLY sent to colleges/universities/employers. Any student/parent request, will be sent an unofficial copy of the transcript.**
- **Select the 'Final Transcript' box on the form ONLY if you are a graduating senior AND are requesting your final transcript to be sent to the college you are attending.**
- High school transcript requests require a copy of the student signed release to be uploaded during the ordering process.
- Education verifications will be delivered to the email address used during the ordering process.
- You will receive emails from [scribOnline@scribsoft.com](mailto:scribOnline@scribsoft.com) to notify you of the status of your order. It is important you read those emails carefully as additional information may be required to process your request.
- Please allow 7-10 days for processing.
- **Click the appropriate link button to request information.**

Click here to start completing transcript request form

## SAT and ACT

-We advise students to take one of the tests by end of their junior year. Please see the SAT & ACT testing websites for any up to date changes on testing dates and procedures.

### SAT

Website: [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

- Registration
- Deadline
- Fees

SAT: Critical Reading and Math  
(Combined Score)

*Writing is optional, check with your college on requirements*

Marcus Counselors offers practice SAT at MHS each semester.

### ACT

Website: [www.act.org](http://www.act.org)

- Registration
- Deadline
- Fees

ACT: Four Sections: Critical Reading, Math, Science and English

*Writing is optional, check with your college on requirements*

Marcus Debate Team offers practice ACT at MHS each semester.

# TSI (Texas Success Initiative)

- ❖ The Texas Success Initiative (TSI) measures the ability of students, as indicated by their skills in Reading, Writing and Math, to do college-level course work.
  - ❖ No matter what college or university students attend, TSI (or school equivalent) is required for students to take before registering for college courses.
  - ❖ TSI can be taken at the college or university the student plans to attend, or any college that allows outside testers. UNT in Denton is a known school that allows students to take TSI regardless if student attends UNT or not. Marcus will host TSI testing one time in spring semester for all seniors who sign up.
  - ❖ Exemptions: Students can be exempt from taking TSI based off of SAT, ACT, PSAT, and/or STAAR scores. Check specific college or university websites for exemption qualifications.
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# College Visits

- 2 free excused absences during junior and senior year. Must bring back signed note/letter from admissions office with date of visit and school logo.
  - Many colleges visit Marcus! When school is in session, students can sign-up for small group college info sessions in the Counseling Center.
  - **Our annual spring college fair has been canceled. We hope to resume our normal college fair schedule next school year, with the NorTex College Fair in the Fall of 2020, and the Marcus/ Flower Mound High School College Fair in the spring of 2021.**
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# College Websites - What to look for?

- College representatives for our area are located on school's website.

Examples:

- Oklahoma State University - <https://go.okstate.edu>
  - Kansas State University [www.k-state.edu](http://www.k-state.edu)
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- Does the college provide the degree you're wanting to pursue?
  - Admission requirements for freshmen and transfer students
  - Application and scholarship deadlines
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# Final Tips/Reminders

- Set a date and time as a family to sit and discuss your child's goals after high school.
  - Keep a College Planning Calendar
  - If anything in the application says Optional, it is NOT optional!
  - Call admissions offices to ask questions
    - Admission reps like to hear from the student
  - FAFSA: opens October 1st
  - Junior/Senior Handbook
    - <https://www.lisd.net/Page/20219>
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# Upcoming Event

## MHS/FMHS Virtual College Panel

- **Thursday, April 23rd, 6-7 pm**
- One device per family, as there is limited space (max 500 participants)

### **College Panel Representatives Include:**

Tom Becker – University of Pittsburgh

Rachel Butler – Drake University

Toni Chandler – Bradley University

Brad Durchslag – Trinity University

Sherrill Landorf – Purdue University

Jason Peacock – University of North Texas

Beverly Wheeler – Hendrix College

