Alternative Education Campus (AEC)

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What is an AEC?

An AEC is a campus that

- serves at-risk students.
- offers nontraditional learning environments and targeted supports.
- provides flexible pathways to graduation.
- emphasizes individualized instruction.
- focuses on accelerated or focused coursework.
- offers supportive resources.

Program Eligibility

Students must be:

- 15-21 years of age,
- currently enrolled at Jarrell High School,
- have completed at least one full semester at Jarrell High School, and meet ONE of the following criteria:
  - a fifth-year senior
  - in jeopardy of not graduating with the TEA Cohort
  - have dropped out of school for over a semester
  - a pregnant or parenting teen
  - have been retained one or more times
  - have been placed in DAEP two or more times
  - qualify to receive services through McKinney-Vento
  - other: administrative discretion

Admissions Process

Step 1: Work with the campus counselor to complete the application to Jarrell Achieve Academy.

Step 2: Submit the application to a campus counselor.

Step 3: Receive notification of acceptance or denial to the program.

Step 4: Commit to Jarrell Achieve Academy for the remainder of your high school career.

Keys to Student Success

- Student should be a self-starter, as most work at Jarrell Achieve Academy is online.
- Student must recover credits promptly.
- Student must maintain 90% attendance to earn credit for a course.
- Student must adhere to the Jarrell ISD Code of Conduct.
  (Jarrell Achieve Academy is not a campus for poor behavior.)