

OPTIONAL FLEXIBLE SCHOOL DAY PROGRAM PUBLIC HEARING

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Optional Flexible School Day Program

- Genesis High School serves as Bastrop ISD's OFSDP.
- The goal of the OFSDP is to improve graduation rates.
- An annual application to the Texas Education Agency is required to maintain an OFSDP that will provide flexible hours and days of attendance for students.

As part of the OFSDP application process, BISD is required:

- To hold a public hearing annually to review the performance of the Optional Flexible School Day Program under the TEC, §29.0822

Optional Flexible School Day Program Application & Program Review

OFSDP Proposed Application: Eligibility

A student is eligible to participate in an OFSDP authorized under the TEC, §29.0822, if:

1. The student meets one of the following conditions:

- **the student is at risk of dropping out of school, as defined by the TEC, §29.081; or**
- the student is attending a campus implementing an approved innovative campus plan; or
- the student is attending a community-based dropout recovery education program, as defined by the TEC, §29.081(e-1) or (e-2); or
- the student is attending a campus with an approved early college high school program designation as defined by the TEC, §29.908; or
- **the student, as a result of attendance requirements under the TEC, §25.092, will be denied credit for one or more classes in which the student has been enrolled.**

OFSDP Proposed Application: Eligibility

2. There is an agreement in writing for the student's participation
- by the student, if the student is over 18 years of age; or
 - by the student and the student's parent or person standing in parental relation to the student, if the student is less than 18 years of age and not emancipated by marriage or court order.

OFSDP Proposed Application: Identification of Students

Local procedures for identifying OFSDP students:

- Students must be identified as at-risk as defined by TEC 29.081 or will be denied credit for one or more classes.
- Students meet with assigned counselor and administrator to discuss Genesis High School Program which includes hours of flexibility.
- Students must secure written parental permission if under the age of 18.
- Once transcript is analyzed and approval is given by the designated administrator, the student is admitted to the program and an intake conference is scheduled at Genesis High School.

OFSDP Proposed Application: Annual Performance Review

Academic Year	Total Students Enrolled	Total Credits Earned	Number of Graduates	Number of Withdrawn	Number Returned to GHS	Number Transferred
2024-2025	319	1902	242	37	40	30
2023-2024	290	1729.5	218	30	48	25

For comparisons to 23-24:

- Increase of 29 enrolled students
- Increase of 172.5 credits earned
- Increase of 24 graduates

OFSDP Proposed Application: Schedule & Staffing

Genesis High School Schedule:

- Monday – Friday
- 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

Genesis High School Staffing:

- 7.5 teachers including all core, CTE, and special education
- .5 counselor (shared with CRCA)
- .5 nurse (shared with CRCA)
- .5 principal, .5 assistant principal (shared with CRCA)
- Students receive special education support, English Language support, counseling (college and career planning), and pregnancy related services (PRS), as needed

OFSDP Proposed Application: Agreements

The District Agrees:

- to administer mandatory assessment instruments during the regular assessment cycle to students enrolled in OFSDPs;
- to ensure all instructional materials and facilities are comparable or exceed the required standards for students in similar programs;
- that the students participating in an OFSDP will not be isolated from other academic and vocational programs of the school district and that all students will have access to school counselors for pre-and post-entry counseling, academic or personal counseling, and career counseling;
- to provide faculty and administrators with baccalaureate or advanced degrees, highly qualified staff, and certified teachers as required by 19 Texas Administrative Code §129.1027 for the program;

OFSDP Proposed Application: Agreements

The District Agrees:

- to adopt a policy that does not penalize students participating in an OFSDP in accordance with the 90% rule (TEC, §25.092[a]) or the 75% to 90% rule for class credit (TEC, §25.092[a-1]);
- to adopt a policy to require students to attend regularly scheduled instruction for the OFSDP with penalties for non attendance, including filing truancy charges, if appropriate;
- to track the number of minutes the student receives instruction each day and to comply with applicable sections of the Student Attendance Accounting Handbook.
- to comply with all reporting requirements established by the TEA;
- not to discriminate based on disability, race, color, national origin, religion, or sex; and
- to prohibit a student participating in an OFSDP from participating in a competition or other activity sanctioned or conducted under the authority of the UIL unless the student meets all UIL eligibility requirements.

THANK YOU!

Are there any questions?

