

Rated  
**A**  
by the School  
Financial Integrity  
Rating System (FIRST)



Rated  
**B**  
by TEA's 2019  
Accountability Rating  
System  
(2020 Not Rated:  
Declared State of Disaster)

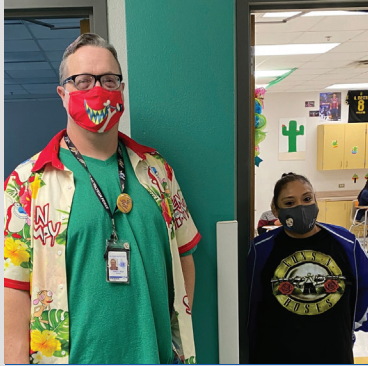


**49**  
Years Since  
Consolidation



Student Enrollment  
**10,311**

Total Staff  
**1,467**



Student-Teacher  
Ratio  
**17:1**



**6A**  
U.I.L. District



# 2020-2021 ACADEMIC BROCHURE





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<p><b>District Vision:</b></p> <p>San Felipe Del Rio CISD embraces a belief in developing a strong culture of Courage, Collaboration, Innovation and Self-Direction. We are committed to ensuring high expectations and high standards that will equip and produce learners that will excel academically, in life and in their career.</p>	District Goal: 1	<b>Student Performance:</b> The District shall maintain a safe environment, utilize a transformative curriculum and diverse instructional opportunities to ensure student socialization and student achievement at the highest standards of excellence.
	District Goal: 2	<b>Finance:</b> The District shall be a good steward of the community's resources – financial, human, facilities – and explore new opportunities for organizational efficiency and effectiveness
	District Goal: 3	<b>Communication:</b> The District shall provide meaningful communication in a timely manner to all parents, students, staff and District partners.
	District Goal: 4	<b>Del Rio Middle School:</b> The District shall study the current level of satisfaction which will lead to a plan for improvement at Del Rio Middle School.
	District Goal: 5	<b>Literacy:</b> The District shall prioritize reading as a skill for lifelong learning.



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**Secondary Schools**

**Elementary Schools**

- Del Rio High School
- Early College High School
- Gerardo J. Maldonado Center
- Blended Academy
- Student Guidance and Learning Center
- Del Rio Middle School
- San Felipe Memorial Middle School

- Irene Cardwell Head Start
- Buena Vista Elementary
- Dr. Fermin Calderon Elementary
- Dr. Lonnie Green Elementary
- Garfield Elementary
- Lamar Elementary
- Laughlin Elementary STEM Magnet
- North Heights Elementary
- Ruben Chavira Elementary



**Mary Bess Coggins**  
Del Rio High School Valedictorian

GPA 4.906  
Daughter of Elaine and Toby Coggins  
Texas A&M University  
Major: Animal Science



**Marilyn Espinoza**  
Early College High School Valedictorian

GPA 4.939  
Daughter of Joelda Espinoza and Ricardo Espinoza  
Texas A&M University  
Major: Accounting



**Juan Salinas**  
Del Rio High School Salutatorian

GPA 4.819  
Son of Maribel Salinas and Juan Manuel Salinas  
University of Texas at Austin  
Major: Mechanical Engineering



**Karina Gaona**  
Early College High School Salutatorian

GPA 4.733  
Daughter of Karina Gaona Sanchez  
and Manuel Delgado Gaona  
University of Monterrey Medical School  
Major: Pediatrics



# Foundation & Marquee Programs



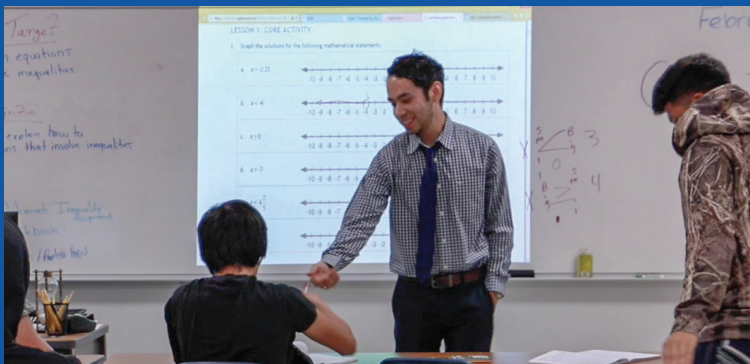
**Bilingual Academies**

San Felipe Del Rio CISD is proud to offer Bilingual Academies for recent immigrants and students who demonstrate limited levels of English language proficiency. The Bilingual Academies offer students specialized and intensive support in small class settings until they have reached an advanced level of English proficiency, or have participated in the program for two consecutive academic years of study. Teachers routinely implement purposeful linguistic accommodations through tiered classroom instruction for ELL students throughout the course of the school year.

The state's goal for G/T students is to ensure that those students who participate in G/T services demonstrate skills in self-directed learning, thinking, research, and communication. Students receive G/T services in the regular classroom setting by teachers who have met 30 hours of state-required training and who have completed applicable G/T certification requirements as delineated in TAC §89.2(1). SFDR CISD offers G/T and advanced-level students an array of opportunities to collaborate as a group with other students or develop independently commensurate with their abilities and emphasizes content in the four foundation curricular areas. (TAC §89.3(1) and (3); State Plan 2.1C)



**Gifted & Talented**



**Blended Academy**

The Blended Academy is a non-traditional campus which serves 8th -12th grade students in a customized, individualized and personalized standards-based instructional environment using multiple models of blended learning. Specially created to provide a learning experience completely different from that provided by traditional means, the Blended Academy targets students who have struggled academically. Smaller classes allow Blended Academy teachers the opportunity to give each student the individual attention that they need. It also makes it possible for teachers to tailor lessons to each student's specific needs. Teachers in these schools employ a wider range of teaching methods to cater to the diverse group of students in their class.

## Curriculum and Instruction

Beginning with the 2020-2021 school year, SFDR CISD fully integrated instructional technology platforms to support the delivery of instruction at all elementary and secondary campuses. Teachers and support staff in the elementary grades received professional training and strategically reformed traditional instruction through the creation of Google Classrooms. Every PK-5th grade lesson integrates support for individualized instruction, and provides technical support; including instructional resources and methods for monitoring student progress and prescribing interventions for academic success. Teachers and support staff in the secondary grades utilize the Canvas Learning Management System to manage digital learning, create and present online learning materials and assignments and assess student learning. In turn, students have the ability to engage in courses and receive comprehensive feedback from their instructors about skill development and learning achievement. In an effort to further engage students and foster a collaborative learning experience, SFDR CISD has expanded its library of digital resources to include programming such as Screencastify, Pear Deck, KAMI, Read/Write Text Help and Zoom. SFDR CISD remains committed to ensuring its students have equal access to effective grade-level curriculum that meets the rigor and expectations of the grade level content through a vast array of tools necessary to support accessible teaching and student learning experiences.

# Early College High School



San Felipe Del Rio CISD's Early College High School is a college preparatory dual enrollment high school program strategically designed to fulfill and exceed college and university admission requirements. It is an academic program intended to enable students to pursue post-secondary education at a community college, four-year college, or university. ECHS is the creation of a strong and influential college bound culture with high expectations for all students. The program is structured to provide successful, challenging, and meaningful experiences for students. Students are offered not only the opportunity to earn a high school diploma and meet university entrance requirements, but they also take college courses through Southwest Texas Junior College (SWTJC) and Angelo State University (ASU) for which they receive college units through dual enrollment. ECHS has a maximum population of one hundred students per grade level, allowing for smaller class sizes, frequent opportunities for individual participation, and personalized attention from faculty and staff. By changing the structure of the high school years and compressing the number of years to a college degree, Early College High School improves graduation rates and better prepares students for entry into high-skill careers.

# Career and Technical Education



San Felipe Del Rio CISD's Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs offer a sequence of courses that provides students with coherent and rigorous content aligned with challenging academic standards and relevant technical knowledge and skills needed to prepare them for further education and careers in current or emerging professions. San Felipe Del Rio CISD proudly offers many options and sequential course offerings within the following CTE clusters:

- Architecture & Construction Technology
- Arts, Audio Visual Technology & Communications
- Business Management & Administration
- Education & Training
- Finance
- Health Science
- Hospitality & Tourism
- Human Services
- Information Technology
- Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security
- Manufacturing
- Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics (STEM)
- Transportation, Distribution & Logistics

## Foundation High School Program

The Foundation High School Program with endorsements is a flexible program that allows students to pursue their interests. It is the default graduation program for students who entered high school in the 2014-15 school year or later.

### The program contains up to four parts:

- A 22-credit foundation plan which is the core of the Texas high school diploma program
- Five endorsement\* options that allow students to focus on a related series of courses
- A higher performance category called Distinguished Level of Achievement
- Performance Acknowledgments that note outstanding achievement in specific areas\*\*

### The Foundation requirements (22 credits) include:

**English (4 credits)** • English I • English II • English III • An advanced English course

**Mathematics (3 credits)** • Algebra I • Geometry • An advanced math course

**Science (3 credits)** • Biology • Integrated Physics & Chemistry or an advanced science course  
• An advanced science course

**Social Studies (3 credits)** • World History or World Geography • U.S. History  
• U.S. Government (one-half credit) • Economics (one-half credit)

**Languages Other Than English (2 credits)** • 2 credits in the same language or  
• 2 credits from Computer Science I, II, III

**Physical Education (1 credit)**      **Fine Arts (1 credit)**      **Electives (5 credits)**

**Speech:** Demonstrated proficiency

**Endorsements** Total credits with endorsements 26

## Fine Arts

The San Felipe CISD and the Fine Arts Department believe that a Fine Arts education is essential for the development of the whole child. The arts provide students with unique experiences that allow them to explore their passions, maximize their creativity and critical thinking skills, and learn valuable lessons about self-motivation, dedication, team work, and communication. San Felipe Del Rio CISD is dedicated to providing an arts-rich education for every student. Fine Arts education is available at all 12 schools serving all of the district's 10,500 students.

Beginning in the elementary grades SFDR CISD students have multiple opportunities to develop their artistic and musical talents. Secondary schools throughout the District offer many different fine arts strands for students to pursue:

- Band
- Choir
- Orchestra
- Jazz
- Mariachi
- Dance
- Theatre
- Visual Arts

## Athletics

San Felipe Del Rio CISD's Athletic Program takes pride in providing opportunities for athletes, teams and coaches to reach their highest potential both on and off the playing field. Our educational commitment is academics first and then athletics. We strive to model and instill in our athletes accountability, responsibility, respect, dedication, commitment to a cause, and the belief that there are no short cuts to success. The team concept in competitive sports provides many opportunities to learn and apply to life skills such as trust, working together, communication, and reaching our physical and mental limitations and abilities. San Felipe Del Rio CISD offers a variety of sports activities for young athletes at the JV and Varsity levels such as football, volleyball, basketball, tennis, golf, baseball, softball, soccer, cross-country, cheer, athletic training, track, powerlifting and swimming.



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