Seven colleges

Seven dynamic colleges comprise the Dallas County Community College District — Brookhaven, Cedar Valley, Eastfield, El Centro, Mountain View, North Lake and Richland (plus Dallas TeleCollege) — and several satellite locations where you can jump start your career.

Let’s get started.
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Is money an obstacle?

We can help. Dallas Community Colleges can provide you with the resources and reasons to continue your education – especially if you have done well in high school and want to invest in your future.

Dallas County Community Colleges offer affordable tuition, locations close to home, and more than 100 programs that will prepare you to transfer to a four-year college or enter the workforce after one or two years. More than 60 percent of all high school students in Texas start their college careers at a community college. The choice is yours. We’re waiting for you.

Start now and apply early!

The Rising Star program provides qualified high school students with academic support services, career development and up to $4,000 for tuition and books, if you are able to demonstrate financial need.

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Smart Starts Here!

DCCCD’s seven colleges – Brookhaven, Cedar Valley, Eastfield, El Centro, Mountain View, North Lake and Richland (plus Dallas TeleCollege) – and several satellite locations – make it easy for you to get a smart start on your career.

- Pay less; save more - Tuition rates at DCCCD colleges are significantly lower than area four-year colleges and universities...and your classes will transfer, too.

- Finish your basic courses - Take your core curriculum courses here...English and mathematics, for example...and then transfer to a four-year institution. The academic foundation you build here will prepare you for a bachelor’s degree and even graduate studies.

Find your major - Take some classes and explore your options. Then decide where you want to go and who you want to be. It’s a “major” choice, and we can help!

Know your faculty - Meet your classmates. At a Dallas County Community College, you will meet faculty members whose primary goal is to teach. And classes are small, so you get to know other students and your teachers, too.

Ready to work? - You can take that career path, too, by enrolling in a professional certificate program. Once a year, or two, then you’re on your way in the world of work and careers.

Go for a bachelor’s degree - The classes you take at a DCCCD college will transfer easily to area universities and Rising Star students also can qualify for special transfer scholarships to local four-year institutions.

It’s up to you.
Take your first two years at one of the Dallas County Community Colleges. More than 60 area colleges and universities are waiting for you.

**The sky’s the limit!**

And the cost of completing your first two years of “core courses” is much less than at a four-year college or university.

Do you need help with school finances or career development? Are you looking for that special job that will make you happy and help you build a career? Do you want to go to a college where people are ready to show you the best way to achieve your dreams? The Dallas County Community Colleges are for you – and we offer classes during the day, at night, on weekends and online...whatever fits your schedule.

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- If you are a recent high school graduate and meet the qualifications listed below, you can be a Rising Star!

- You must graduate from an eligible Dallas County public high school, Dallas Can! Academy, a DCCCD charter high school or other approved charter high schools in Dallas County. Contact the Rising Star advisor at the college of your choice to find out whether your high school is eligible.

- You must exhibit financial need; in other words, your family’s income must fall within a specific range (see chart on the next page).

- You must complete and submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon as your parents’ income taxes have been filed. You can submit the FAFSA beginning January 1 of your senior year in high school. Or, if you are an undocumented student and are not eligible for federal aid, print a copy of the FAFSA application and submit it with your family income information to your college Financial Aid Office.

You must meet one of the following academic requirements:

- Graduate in the top 40 percent of your class;
- Graduate with a “B” average (80 percent or better on a 100-point scale);
- Or pass the required DCCCD assessment test to enter any of our seven colleges.

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Here’s how to become a Rising Star...

Take the first step: APPLY!

Here are the steps you follow to become a Rising Star:

1- Complete an admissions application for a Dallas County Community College by mail or fax, in person or online at www.dcccd.edu.

2- Complete a Rising Star application online at www.dcccd.edu/RisingStar. Contact your college Rising Star advisor to ask about any additional paperwork that you may need to finish for your application.

3- Request a current official high school transcript from your high school registrar or counselor and submit it to your college admissions office. Your final official transcript after graduation will be required as evidence that you have completed the requirements for high school graduation.

4- Complete and submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon as your parents’ income taxes have been filed. You can submit the FAFSA beginning January 1 of your senior year in high school. Or, if you are an undocumented student and are not eligible for federal aid, print a copy of the FAFSA application and submit it with your family income information to your college Financial Aid Office.

5- After you have completed the first four steps listed above, schedule a visit with the Rising Star advisor at your college to review the records and to make sure that you have submitted (and the college has received) all of the documents that are required to complete your application.

You’re on your way, so apply today!

The clock is ticking....

Remember: Meet all deadlines and fill out all forms correctly. Visit an advisor to ask questions; make sure the college you have chosen to attend has received all of your paperwork. Rising Star applicants should know that each year’s class size is limited. The next Rising Star class will be selected from applications that are completed by July 1. Get started now! And get ready to go - we are waiting for you!

Smart starts here...at a Dallas Community College!
Brookhaven College
Brookhaven’s career programs include:
- Accounting
- Associate Degree Nursing
- Automotive Tech
- Business Administration
- Business Office Systems and Support
- Child Development
- Computer Information Technology
- Emergency Medical Services
- Geographic Information Systems
- Management
- Marketing Careers
- Medical Front Office
- Radiologic Sciences
- Visual Communications

Eastfield College
Eastfield’s career programs include:
- Accounting
- Air Conditioning & Refrigeration
- Auto Body
- Automotive Tech
- Business Administration
- Business Office Systems and Support
- Child Development
- Computer Aided Design & Drafting
- Computer Information Technology
- Criminal Justice
- Digital Imaging
- Electronic Telecommunications
- Electronics/Computer Technology
- Mechatronics
- Management
- Renewable Sustainable Energy
- Social Work
- Substance Abuse Counseling
- Welding

Cedar Valley College
Cedar Valley’s career programs include:
- Accounting
- Air Conditioning & Refrigeration
- Automotive Technology
- Auto Tech/Diesel
- Business Administration
- Commercial Building Performance Technology
- Commercial Music
- Computer Graphics
- Computer Information Technology
- Criminal Justice
- Engine Tech Management
- Marketing Careers
- Real Estate
- Veterinary Technology

El Centro College
El Centro’s career programs include:
- Accounting
- Associate Degree Nursing
- Biotechnology
- Business Administration
- Business Office Systems and Support
- Computer Information Technology
- Conflict Management
- Diagnostic Medical Sonography
- Echocardiography
- Fashion Design
- Fire Protection Technology
- Food & Hospitality Institute
- Interior Design
- Internet Development
- Invasive Cardiovascular Technology
- Management
- Marketing Careers
- Medical Assisting
- Medical Laboratory Technology
- Paralegal
- Paramedic
- Radiologic Sciences
- Respiratory Care
- Small Business Academy
- Surgical Technologist
- Vocational Nursing
Mountain View College
Mountain View’s career programs include:
Accounting • Associate Degree Nursing • Business Administration
Computer Aided Design & Drafting • Computer Information
Technology • Criminal Justice • Electronics Technology
Mechatronics • Welding

North Lake College
North Lake’s career programs include:
Accounting • Associate Degree Nursing • Business Administration
Business Office Systems & Support • Computer Graphics • Computer
Information Technology • Construction Management • Construction
Technology • Electrical Technology • Logistics • Management • Mortgage
Banking • Real Estate • Video Technology

Richland College
Richland’s career programs include:
• Accounting
• Business Administration
• Business Office Systems & Support
• Computer Information Technology
• Digital Forensics
• Engineering Technology
• Interactive Simulation Game Technology
• International Business & Trade
• Management
• Multimedia
• Nanotechnology
• Semiconductor Manufacturing
• Travel, Exposition & Meeting Management
Brookhaven College
Attn: Rising Star Program
3939 Valley View Lane • Farmers Branch, TX 75244
Building S, Room S133
Phone: 972-860-4106 • Fax: 972-860-4129
Email: bchrisraringstar@dcccd.edu
Office hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 A.M. – 4:45 P.M.

North Lake College
Attn: Rising Star Program
5001 N. MacArthur Blvd. • Irving, TX 75038
Building A, Room 428
Phone: 972-273-3116 • Fax: 972-273-3241
Email: nlchrisraringstar@dcccd.edu
Office hours: Monday – Thursday 8:30 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. (Mon–Fri)
Friday 8:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.

Mountain View College
Attn: Rising Star Program
4849 W. Illinois Ave. • Dallas, TX 75211
Building S, Room 2021
Phone: 214-860-8855 • Fax: 214-860-8568
Email: mvchrisraringstar@dcccd.edu
Office hours: Monday & Thursday 8:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M. (Mon–Thurs)
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Richland College
Attn: Rising Star Program
12800 Abrams Rd. • Dallas, TX 75243 • Building C, Room 165
Phone: 972-761-6729 • Fax: 972-761-6713
Email: richardsraringstar@dcccd.edu
Office hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Eastfield College
Attn: Rising Star Program
3737 Molley Dr. • Mesquite, TX 75150 • Building C, Room 237B
Phone: 972-860-7277 • Fax: 972-860-8302
Email: echrisraringstar@dcccd.edu
Office hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

El Centro College
Attn: Rising Star Program
801 Main St. • Dallas, TX 75202 • Building A, Room A027
Phone: 214-860-2726 • Fax: 214-860-2089
Email: ecrchrisraringstar@dcccd.edu
Office hours: Monday – Friday 8 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Cedar Valley College
Attn: Rising Star Program
3030 North Dallas Ave. • Lancaster, TX 75134 • Building L, Room 127
Phone: 972-860-8226 • Fax: 972-860-5230
Email: cedarhchrisraringstar@dcccd.edu
Office hours: Monday – Tuesday 8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M., Wednesday 11:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M., Thursday – Friday 8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.