

Important Resources

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Contact the Registrar's Office to update information:
Kim Andrews (Registrar)
kimberly.andrews@cflsd.net or # 281-213-1978
- ◆ Follow us on our **Twitter** accounts:
- ◆ Cypress Ranch High School - @CyRanchHS
- ◆ Cypress Ranch Counselors - @CyRanchCounsel
- ◆ Like our **Facebook** page: Cypress Ranch Counselors
- ◆ College & Career Website: www.bit.ly/crhccollege



Senior Presentation

Cypress Ranch High School

Class of 2020

Senior Counselors

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Secretaries: Lina Sanchez, Christie Lawson

College & Career Specialist: Kimberly Marks - kimberly.marks@cflsd.net

Cypress Ranch Counselors 2019-2020



Foundation with Endorsement

English – English I, English II, English III + 4 th English credit	4 Credits
Math – Algebra I, Geometry + 2 Advanced Math (Alg 2 required for honor)	4 Credits
Science – Biology + IPC/Chem/Physics + 2 Additional Science courses	4 Credits
Social Studies – W Geo/W Hist + US History + Govt & Econ	3 Credits
Health	½ Credit
PACE – 9 th Grade Year	½ Credit
PE	1 Credit
Language Other Than English – LOTE 1 + LOTE 2 [*]	2 Credits
Fine Arts	1 Credit
Electives	6 Credits
TOTAL STATE CREDITS	26

*A student who struggled in completing the first LOTE credit and is unlikely to complete the second level LOTE credit may, with approval from Committee, substitute another course from a state-mandated list. MAY NOT be appropriate choice for university bound students.

EOC (STARR)

Exit Level Retests

12/9/19	English I
12/10/19	Algebra I/US. History
12/11/19	English II
12/12/19	Biology

◆ Retest opportunities in the Spring and Summer.

◆ Students will NOT be allowed to walk the stage at graduation if they do not pass all of their EOC exams.



Correspondence Courses

- ❖ Course must be **completed** and **final exam requested** by **November 1st**.
- ❖ If the student does not complete the course it will be recorded on the transcript as a "WD" and will be calculated in the grade point average as an "F" which negatively affect class rank.
- ❖ Must sign correspondence agreement letter prior to registration.
- ❖ Credit may not count for NCAA

Pass/Fail Classes

- ❖ Can earn up to 2.0 credits pass/fail.
- ❖ Must exceed 22 credits (Foundation only) or 26 credits (Foundation + Endorsement) to be eligible.
- ❖ Benefits students who have a 6.0 GPA or higher.
- ❖ Fall Pass/Fail applications available at Counselor Connection now and are **due no later than September 13th**.
- ❖ Spring semester Pass/Fail applications will be available in January.

NCAA Initial Eligibility Center

- ❖ Not all classes you take to meet high school graduation requirements may be used as core courses.
- ❖ Courses completed through credit-by-exam will not be used.
- ❖ CFISD DCR courses do not count towards the NCAA core requirements.
- ❖ See your Counselor or head coach for more NCAA Information

<http://www.ncaaeligibilitycenter.org>

AP Exam Registration 2020

- ❖ AP Exam registration will **OPEN** on September 23, 2019.
- ❖ AP Exam registration will **CLOSE** on November 1, 2019.
- ❖ Students will request access to course materials in their AP class by 9/20.
- ❖ Test will not be ordered until student pays before the deadline on Total Registration site.
- ❖ Cost: \$98.00 per exam



National Honor Society Requirements



- ❖ By invitation only
- ❖ Will receive letter via English teacher in early October
- ❖ Current GPA Requirement - 5.8000+
- ❖ Teachers score on:
 - Classroom attitude
 - General conduct
 - School citizenship
 - Responsibility
 - Consistency
 - Community Service Element
 - Leadership potential
 - Candidates must complete:
 - A service and leadership form

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College Visits

- ❖ 2 days during senior year for visits.
- ❖ Pick up the **College Visitation Request Form** from the **Attendance Office** before visit.
- ❖ Form must be **signed and stamped by college official** and returned to the Attendance Office within 3 days of returning to school.

College Visit Request Form!

Cypress Ranch High School

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College Visitation Request Form 2019-2020

2 Days during senior year!

Pick up & Return to Attendance Office!

Part I - Student Information

Name _____

Student Number _____

Grade _____

Student Signature _____

Part II - Parent Information

Parent Name _____

Parent Signature _____

Part III - School Approval

School Principal Signature _____

School Date _____

A.S.V.A.B.

Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery

- ❖ Aptitude Assessment
- ❖ Interest Inventories
- ❖ Work Values
- ❖ Career Links
- ❖ Free

➤ October 16th

➤ Registration for Seniors through Google Link in counseling office or counselor connection.

➤ Great test for students who are unsure about college/career.

Military Branch Visit Request Form!

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Military Branch Visitation Request Form 2019-2020

4 Days during senior year!

Pick up & Return to Attendance Office!

Part I - Student Information

Name _____

Student Number _____

Grade _____

Student Signature _____

Part II - Parent Information

Parent Name _____

Parent Signature _____

Part III - School Approval

School Principal Signature _____

School Date _____

Requesting Transcripts

- ❖ Submit application PRIOR to requesting transcripts.
- ❖ See the Registrar's Office for requests before or after school or during lunches. When requesting transcripts, you must allow 3 days for processing.
- ❖ No fee for Texas schools that participate in the electronic transfer of records program, T-Rex.
- ❖ All other schools/transcript request apply:
 - ❖ Official Transcripts = \$2.00
 - ❖ Unofficial Transcripts = \$1.00
 - ❖ Mailing Address of College or University Required

Graduation

Friday, May 29, 2020

12:00 pm

Berry Center


Honor Graduate Designation by GPA:

- 6.5+ - Summa Cum Laude
- 6.25-6.49 - Magna Cum Laude
- 6.0-6.24 - Cum Laude

Determined at end of the **3rd 9 weeks** of senior year.

Choices After Graduation

- ❖ Military
- ❖ Career & Technical Training
- ❖ 2 Year College
- ❖ 4 Year College or University



College and Career Update

www.bit.ly/crhcscollege

Texas Success Initiative (TSI)

❖ TSI:

- A statewide program to assess college readiness in the areas of reading, writing, and mathematics.
- Helps colleges determine what type of course or intervention will best meet your needs in each of these areas.

TSI Exempt if:

- SAT - 530+ Math & 480+ EBRW after March 2016, or
- ACT - 23+ Composite score (with 19+ on English & 19+ Math)

If a student is not TSI exempt.....A placement test will be required.
Check with your college/university.

TEXAS Top 10% Admissions

- ❖ Automatic Admission to Texas Public Institutions: UT top 6%
- ❖ Must submit completed application and all required documents prior to deadline set by the university.
- ❖ Apply no later than 2 years after graduating from high school.
- ❖ Graduate under FHSP+E and Distinguished Level of Achievement.
- ❖ Colleges within the universities may limit the number eligible for admission due to enrollment caps.

Before Starting the Application Process

- ❖ Take necessary entrance exams SAT/ACT.
- ❖ Develop a résumé - don't be modest.
- ❖ Compose Essays - have them edited by teacher, parent, or other resources.
- ❖ If needed, ask for letters of recommendation.
 - MUST give Ranch Staff 3 weeks notification

Texas Public Colleges/Universities



ApplyTexas.org

Used by nearly 900 member colleges and universities in all 50 states

THE COMMON APPLICATION

Commonapp.org

COALITION

A free platform of online tools to streamline the experience of organizing and refining your academic skills, discovering your college options, and preparing your college applications.

www.coalitionforcollegeaccess.org

Applying To College



Don't Trick or Treat Before You Complete!

1. **APPLY EARLY** - Don't meet deadlines, beat them! College deadlines are firm...no exceptions!
2. **READ CAREFULLY** - Provide accurate information and ALL required materials. Don't forget to pay the application fee and click SUBMIT! Proofread, proofread, proofread and be honest.
3. **RESPOND IMMEDIATELY** - Remind students to check emails daily and respond as quickly as possible to provide whatever they're requesting.
4. **KEEP COPIES** - Start a file for copies of applications and emails to/from the colleges or universities.
5. **CHECK APP STATUS ONLINE - OFTEN!** / Get your Bac Men vaccine! <http://www.collegeforalltexas.com>

Information for College Applications

- ❖ High School Code: 441689
- ❖ NCAA Eligibility Center Code: 9999
- ❖ GPA is on a 6.0 weighted scale
- ❖ School address:
 - Cypress Ranch HS
 - 10700 Fry Rd. Cypress, TX 77433
- ❖ School phone: 281-373-2300
- ❖ Principal: Michael Maness

Letters of Recommendation *Research, Request, Respond, Review*

- ❖ **Research** each college carefully - Some colleges won't consider them at all and some colleges consider them heavily.
- ❖ **Request** letter(s) at least 3 weeks in advance to give the recommender time to write the recommendation.
- ❖ **Respond** to your recommender's request for any additional information, such as a Student Profile
- ❖ **Review** your admissions checklist on each of your college portals to ensure letters are submitted before the deadline.

Letters are sent directly to each college/university by person who is writing recommendation letter. Letters will NEVER be given directly to a student.

College Essay Writing Tips from Cypress Fairbanks I.S.D. website under College and Career Readiness

- Use the essay to tell them what your application can't.
- What will the applicant bring to the community?
- What does the essay say about the applicant?
- Are there deep, personal reflections?

SAT Test Dates 2019-2020

SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline
August 24, 2019	July 26, 2019
* October 5, 2019	September 6, 2019
* November 2, 2019	October 3, 2019
* December 7, 2019	November 8, 2019
March 14, 2020	February 14, 2020
* May 2, 2020	April 3, 2020
June 6, 2020	May 8, 2020

* Cy-Ranch is a testing center option for these test dates.

www.collegeboard.org

ACT Test Dates 2019-2020

ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline
September 14, 2019	August 16, 2019
October 26, 2019	September 20, 2019
December 14, 2019	November 8, 2019
February 8, 2020	January 10, 2020
April 4, 2020	February 28, 2020
June 13, 2020	May 8, 2020
July 18, 2020	June 19, 2020

www.actstudent.org

Paying for College

- ❖ Grants
- ❖ Scholarships
- ❖ Loans



Financial Aid

FAFSA:

- ❖ Must complete EVERY YEAR to receive ANY financial aid from university
- ❖ FAFSA Opening Date – October 1st (student & parent)
- ❖ Money is awarded on first-come, first-served basis
- ❖ Texas Priority Deadline is Jan. 15th
- ❖ Check with each college/university for their Financial Aid deadline



<http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>

Scholarships

- ❖ District Website: www.CFISD.net
 - Parents & Students
 - College & Career Readiness
 - Search for: Scholarships
- ❖ Parent's Employers/Major Corporations
- ❖ Websites: www.fastweb.com
www.scholarships.com
- <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search>
www.finaid.org
- ❖ Colleges -- Departmental Scholarships, Financial Aid Offices
- ❖ Minnie Piper Stevens Foundation Compendium of Texas College and Financial Aid Calendar (Contains both Merit & Need Based information)
<http://www.everychanceeverytexan.org/about/scholars/>

Scholarship Reporting Form

Students will report all offers in April/May!

Keep track of ALL offers (academic and athletic) even if you're not accepting them!

College Financial Aid

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|---|---|
| Merit-Based Aid: | Need-Based Aid: |
| ❖ Skills-Band, Athletics, Art, Choir, etc. | ❖ FAFSA application – Oct. 1 |
| ❖ Academics-Test scores, GPA, rank, classes taken | ❖ TEXAS GRANT (max \$5,500) - Recommended HS Program & Financial Need |
| ❖ PSAT scores | ❖ Federal Student Loans (and others – subsidized vs unsubsidized) |
| ❖ Parent's or student's employer | ❖ Work-Study program |
| ❖ UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS – Know their deadlines! | |

FAFSA Night (Funding your Future)

November 13, 2019
6:00-8:00pm
Berry Center

College & Career Night

October 8-9, 2019
6:00-8:00pm
Berry Center

Cypress Ranch H.S. has been asked to attend on Oct. 8th, but if that night doesn't work, you can attend either night!

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