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Selection Process

The VISD P-TECH selection committee will meet on December 15, 2024 to finalize the process for selecting the incoming 2024-25 freshman PTECH cohorts.

Victoria ISD PTECH 2024 -2025 Selection Committee

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Suzann Creager – PTECH Associate Principal – East High School

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On January 2, 2024, the campus selection committee will convene to run the lottery selection process. Before this process begins, student names will be removed from the applicant list, and the only identifier remaining will be their student identification number. This ensures that all student selections will remain anonymous and unbiased.

Victoria East PTECH Selection Committee	Victoria West PTECH Selection Committee
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**All PTECH Programs must adhere to Outcome Based Measure Requirements. These requirements stipulate that each campus must meet certain thresholds for specific student populations (see attached).*

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1. Selection Committee reviewed TEA’s PTECH Achievement Outcomes-Based Measures in the TEA P-TECH Blueprint to identify target population threshold requirements:
 - a. OBM Requirement: Must serve at-risk incoming 9th graders: no more than 25% points under the district rate (VISD At-Risk Rate: 68%)
 - b. OBM Requirement: Must serve economically disadvantaged students: no more than 10% points under the district rate (VISD Eco Dis rate: 70%)

2. The committee determined the threshold for the selection lottery will ensure that 60% of cohort seats are filled with At-Risk students (15 of 25 per cohort).
3. The committee reviews the applicant list to verify indicators used for lottery selection: at-risk, economically disadvantaged, VISD student, non-VISD student
 - a. Priority is given to current VISD students
 - b. Non-VISD students will be accepted into the PTECH pathway if we are unable to fill cohort seats with current VISD students. Non-VISD students will be placed on the wait list and considered in the event a seat becomes available.
4. All At-Risk applicants are entered into the initial lottery to fill the threshold 15 of 25 cohort seats
5. A lottery system is used to select and fill the 15 seats using the random number generator in excel.
 - a. Excel Formula: =Rand() where values were captured for ranking.
6. At-risk applicants, not previously selected, are placed in the general lottery with the remaining applicants to fill the final 10 seats in each cohort.
7. A lottery is used to select and fill the remaining seats using the random number generator in excel.
 - a. Excel Formula: =Rand() where values were captured for ranking.
8. After completing steps 1 – 7 for each cohort, 100 students will be accepted for the 2024 – 2025 school year.
9. The remaining students are placed on a waiting list in the order of the lottery utilized in steps 5 & 7.
10. E-mail and USPS notifications are sent to parents and students on January 2, 2024. An electronic acceptance survey is included in each notification. The deadline for accepting or declining a seat in PTECH is January 10, 2024.
 - a. If an acceptance survey is not received by the deadline, the seat will be forfeited and the next person on the wait list will be notified and offered the open seat.
 - b. If a student/parent declines the seat, the next person on the wait list will be notified and offered the open seat.
11. If after following steps 1 – 10, all cohort seats are not filled, additional recruitment efforts will continue through the 2025 Spring Semester.

Respectfully,

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