Lone Star STEM Academy at South Grand Prairie High School Admission Policy / Process

Admissions Policy

The Lone Star STEM Academy (LSSA) at South Grand Prairie High School's primary focus is providing students the opportunity to earn industry credentials and hands-on experience in the field of computer science or cybersecurity and to earn at least 15 college credits free of charge while attending high school. We encourage students of all backgrounds to apply.

The computer science/cybersecurity pathway in the Lone Star STEM Academy at SGP is a GPISD "program of choice" and is available to any student who meets the criteria listed below:

1. The student must have a desire to attend South Grand Prairie High School and receive focused instruction in the computer science/cybersecurity field.

2. The student's parent and/or guardian must want their child to be part of the program.

3. Both the parent/guardian and the student must agree to abide by the standards of academic and behavioral expectations of LSSA.

4. Both the parent/guardian and the student must agree to comply with all of the policies of the program including the Electronic Information Resource Agreement for issued devices.

5. Both the parent/guardian and student must agree that the ultimate goal is to graduate from South Grand Prairie High School with industry certification and college credits as planned.

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1. Both the student and parent/guardian express a desire to pursue Lone Star STEM Academy admission and complete the application.

   NOTE: Choice applications must specify student interest in the Lone Star STEM Academy (LSSA). For example, a student may select LSSA as the first choice, SGPHS as the second choice, and an additional program or campus as the third choice.

2. Once applications have been received, first-choice selections are considered first, second-choice next, and third choice applications are considered last.

3. After the application deadlines, accepted applicants and their parents/guardians are notified by campus administration of their acceptance.

4. The SGP administrator, dean, and college liaison conducts an orientation for freshmen parents and students for a complete understanding of our program. This orientation will cover the structure, goals, intent, and academic standard expectations of the LSSA at SGP, as well as any additional certification or higher education assessment information.