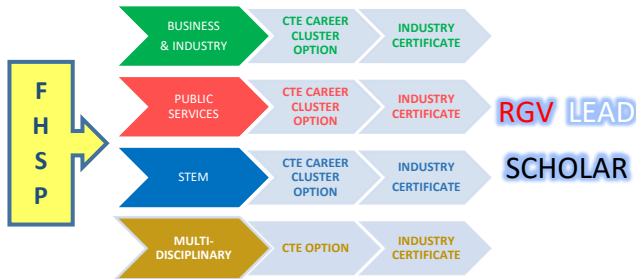


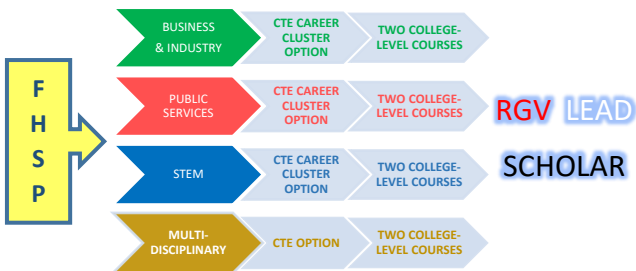
# RGV LEAD Scholars Program

To graduate as an RGV LEAD Scholar, a student must meet all four of these requirements:

1. Complete all courses required for the Foundation High School Program (FHSP).
2. Complete at least one endorsement from a CTE option.
3. Earn an industry-based certificate or license through the selected CTE option **or** earn a passing grade for at least two college-level courses through the selected CTE option.
4. Complete a declaration of intent to be an RGV LEAD Scholar.



or



## What are the requirements?

### THE FOUNDATION HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM (FHSP)

English: 4 credits (English I, II, III and one Advanced English course)

Mathematics: 3 credits (Algebra I, Geometry, and one Advanced Math course)

Science: 3 credits (Biology, IPC or Advanced Science, plus one Advanced Science)

Social Studies: 3 credits (U.S. History, U.S. Government (1/2 credit), Economics (1/2 credit) and World Geography, World History, or Combined World History/Geography)

Physical Education: 1 credit

Languages Other Than English: 2 credits

Fine Arts: 1 credit

Electives: 5 credits

### COMPLETE AT LEAST ONE ENDORSEMENT FROM CTE OPTION IN:

- Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM)
- Business and Industry
- Public Services or
- Multi-disciplinary

Endorsements vary from school district to school district.

### EARN AN INDUSTRY-BASED CERTIFICATE or LICENSE THROUGH SELECTED CTE OPTION or EARN A PASSING GRADE FROM TWO COLLEGE-LEVEL COURSES

Each college-level course must meet all of the following requirements:

- a. Must be a career and technical education course taken for high school credit.
- b. Must be a dual credit course for which the student has earned a passing grade.

## Who offers the program?

RGV LEAD Scholars is managed by the RGV LEAD Board. Scholars programs are aligned with the Foundation High School Graduation Program and Texas Career Clusters. These RGV LEAD Partner Districts are participating:

- **Cameron County:** Brownsville ISD, La Feria ISD, Los Fresnos CISD, Point Isabel ISD, Rio Hondo ISD, San Benito CISD, Santa Maria ISD, Santa Rosa ISD, and South Texas ISD.
- **Hidalgo County:** Donna ISD, Edcouch-Elsa ISD, Edinburg CISD, Hidalgo ISD, La Joya ISD, La Villa ISD, McAllen ISD, Mercedes ISD, Mission CISD, Monte Alto ISD, PSJA ISD, Progreso ISD, Sharyland ISD, Valley View ISD, and Weslaco ISD.
- **Starr County:** Rio Grande City CISD and San Isidro ISD.
- **Willacy County:** Lasara ISD, Lyford CISD,
- **Charter:** Vanguard Academy

Check with your high school counselor to see

- which Endorsement(s) are available at your school district
- which certificates offered by your district qualify as an industry-based certificates or licenses and
- which of your courses will qualify as college-level courses meeting the requirements for the RGV LEAD Scholars program.