

HOUSTON COLLEGE & CAREER ACADEMY



OUR MISSION: To ensure a viable 21st Century workforce for Houston County.

- Goal 1: Ensure that the Houston College & Career Academy provides high-quality instruction aligned with state standards.
- **Action 1:** Develop, monitor, and regularly adjust our school's strategic plan to demonstrate growth on the College and Career Readiness Performance Indicator.
- **Action 2:** Continued implementation of a balanced assessment approach to include diagnostic, formative and summative assessments to design and adjust instruction.
- **Action 3:** Tailor student learning opportunities focused on performance-based learning, higher-order thinking, and problem solving to meet individual learner needs and goals.
- Goal 2: Provide opportunities for stakeholder engagement.
- **Action 1:** Provide a safe learning environment for all stakeholders.
- Action 2: Facilitate on-going, two-way communication with stakeholders through multiple forms of media.
- Action 3: Provide opportunities for shared decision making among stakeholders.
- **Action 4:** Increase strategic partnerships with business, post-secondary institutions, and community leaders to support student learning and college and career readiness.
- Goal 3: Plan, implement, and monitor processes and procedures for organizational effectiveness.
- **Action 1:** Ensure adequate and safe transportation for all part-time HCCA students.
- **Action 2:** Maintain school grounds and classrooms.
- **Action 3:** Ensure equitable access, reliability, and use of school technology resources.
- Action 4: Ensure efficient resource management, including fiscal and human capital.
- **Action 5:** Recruit and retain professionally qualified staff.
- Goal 4: Build capacity for continuous improvement by ensuring meaningful and in-time professional learning that increases personnel effectiveness and student achievement.
- **Action 1:** Expand a formal process for vertical articulation of the curriculum between shared pathways.
- Action 2: Provide job-embedded professional learning based on the specific needs of our faculty.
- **Action 3:** Provide job-embedded professional learning with school administrators and teachers to increase teacher content knowledge and effectiveness.
- **Action 4:** Utilize the Professional Learning Community (PLC) process guided by a focus on learning, through a collaborative and results-based culture.

Goal 5: To Increase the Percent of Graduates Completing a CTAE Pathway

- **Action 1:** Ensure successful growth of all CTAE pathways.
- Action 2: Increase the number of students in Career Technical Student Organizations (CTSO).
- **Action 3:** Offer pathway courses at HCCA that have been identified on the school's Needs Assessment and are included on the State and Local High Demands Career list.

Goal 6: To Maintain or Increase the Percent of Graduates Earning a Nationally Recognized Credential

- **Action 1:** Offer remediation utilizing a variety teaching strategies.
- **Action 2:** Utilize CTAE crosswalks to develop study guides for our CTAE programs.
- **Action 3:** Increase the number of students at HCCA participating in the Youth Apprenticeship Program (YAP), internships, externships, and job shadowing opportunities.

Goal 7: Increase the Number of Students in All Programs

- **Action 1:** Continue to offer tours of our campus to stakeholders, administrators, counselors, teachers, parents, 8th grade students, and targeted high school students.
- **Action 2:** Develop a strategic high school recruitment plan.
- Action 3: Utilize social media to promote HCCA pathways and to advertise Career Technical Student Organizations.
- Action 4: Utilize multiple measures of admissions to technical dual enrollment programs.

Goal 8: Continue to Provide Skills Training and Work Ethics Curriculum

- Action 1: Distribute Workforce READY components including Work Ethics standards.
- Action 2: Support soft skills and work ethics standards with presentations from various business and industry partners.
- Action 3: Continue to host the College and Career Fair and the Youth Apprenticeship Program (YAP) Hiring Fair.