



NORTHWEST ISD
Career & Technical
Education

What's your path?

Find out more: nisdtx.org/cte

What is CTE?

At Northwest ISD CTE (*Career & Technical Education*), we believe every student should **get real**: real academics, real skills, and a real high school experience unlike any other.

By combining strong academics with robust career-minded education, we expand students' options and opportunities to make them truly future ready.

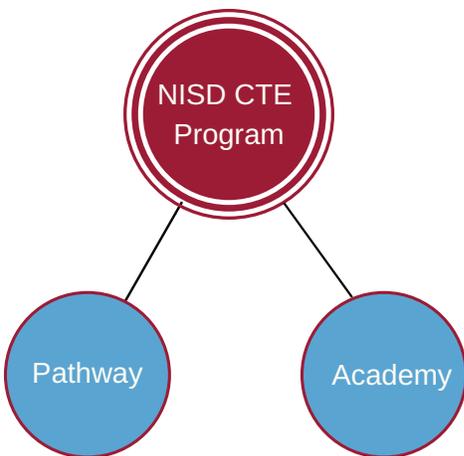
Together with parents, business leaders, and the community, we challenge all students to aspire to their full potential, advance with rigorous academic and technical skills, and achieve a real-world competitive advantage.

Aspire. Advance. Achieve.



Let CTE help you find your path to success!
What are you passionate about?

-  27 Opportunities for a range of career options
-  Rigorous & Relevant Curriculum
-  Professional & Job-specific Skills
-  Industry Certifications
-  Experiences
-  Internships



What is the difference between a **pathway** and an **academy**?

NISD CTE offers two types of programs at our high school campuses. Students have the opportunity to explore careers in a sequence of courses through a chosen pathway or academy. All pathways are offered at most of our high school campuses while academies are only located at one campus. Academy students have a strong interest in the field to study and willingness to commit themselves to being immersed in a four year academy course sequence within a unique industry standard facility.

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Apply at nisdtx.org/cte

Completing the Application

CREATE AN ACCOUNT

Create an account using your NISD student email address and password. Use this account to complete your application, check your status and more!



CONTACT INFO

You will be asked to provide your mailing address, phone numbers, email addresses and other information that we may need to know in order to contact you about your application.

PORTFOLIO & VIDEO

Your e-portfolio is a way to showcase your knowledge, skills and interests. It is an online resume! Your portfolio should show why you are interested in the program you are requesting and include a video of you. Your video should showcase your interest in the program and include you answering the question "*I belong in this program because...*"

UP YOUR PORTFOLIO GAME

[Portfolio -CTE Checklist](#) [10 steps to a great portfolio](#)
[Portfolio -Best Practices for Sharing](#)

**Reminder: a great portfolio is about YOU! It doesn't have to be fancy, it can be simple.*



SHORT ESSAYS



There will be three short essays for your to write *if you are applying to an academy*. We strongly suggest that you prepare these in google docs so that you can check for grammar and spelling before you paste them into the essay section.

The topics are:

- 1) *Why are you the best candidate for this academy?*
- 2) *What are you passionate about? Your goals for college/career?*
- 3) *What has made you the person you are? What strengths do you have?
 What weaknesses do you want to work on?*

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