



## **NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE EPISD YOUNG WOMEN'S SCHOOL, GRADES 6-12**

### **What is the focus of the Young Women's School (Grades 6-12)?**

*The El Paso Independent School District (EPISD) and New Tech Network (NTN) have become partners to implement this innovative program at the Young Women's School. The foundation of NTN is to engage students, expose them to innovation and design in STEAM focused instruction, and instill learning that models real-world contexts through Project-Based Learning (PBL). These components compliment the focal points of the Young Women's School:*

- *STEAM – Student will explore integrated courses that connect Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics leveraged through the Arts; AND*
- *Learning through Service -- Students will participate in service learning projects and experiences directly connected to their community.*

*The Young Women's School curriculum is designed to build upon previous years' experiences in the program; therefore, starting as a sixth or seventh grader and continuing through graduation is encouraged. The Young Women's School maintains high expectations for students to accept the challenges and rigors of the program and stresses a high degree of parental involvement.*

### **Where is the Young Women's School located?**

*Centrally located at 2231 Arizona Avenue, adjacent to Armendariz Middle School. (Entrance via Walnut Street.)*

### **Is transportation provided?**

*EPISD bus transportation provided to students living within EPISD boundaries. Pick-up and drop-off sites at EPISD students' home middle school campus.*

### **Who is eligible to attend?**

- *All young women entering 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> Grade are eligible to apply for the 2017-18 school year.*
- *All young women who have a **willingness and commitment to attend** the Young Women's School beginning in the 2017-18 school year, and through graduation.*
- *All young women who agree to maintain an acceptable level of attendance and comply with District rules and regulations, including the Student Code of Conduct, throughout the entire school year, or risk transfer revocation per District transfer policies.*

### **What is the selection process?**

*Only completed interest forms received by the April 7th deadline will be accepted. **Space is limited to 100 young women in each 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade cohort.***

- ***To honor the Armendariz community, a total up to 50% of the seats will be allocated to the incoming 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade students from Armendariz elementary feeder schools and Armendariz Middle School.***
- ***If the number of Armendariz feeder students (Grades 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>) who apply to the Young Women's School exceeds the 50% allocation, the students will be randomly accepted through a lottery.***
- ***If the number of students from the Armendariz community is under 50%, the students will be automatically enrolled in the Young Women's School. The remaining seats will be made available to the pool of applicants living outside of the Armendariz community and outside of the district boundaries.***



- ***A total up to 50% of the available seats will be open to students living outside of Armendariz community and district boundaries. Students will be randomly selected through a lottery system if applications received exceed the number of spaces available.***

**How will parents/guardians be notified of selection into the school?**

*Parents/guardians will be notified during the week of April 24, 2017 via USPS and by possible follow-up phone calls/email to the contact information provided on the Student Interest Form.*

***Keep this Information Sheet for your Records***



**Student Interest Form**  
Please return by April 7, 2017

Student Name:	Student ID#:
Current Campus:	Current Grade:
Student Primary Address and Zip Code:	
Parent/Guardian Name:	
Parent/Guardian Primary Phone Number:	
Parent/Guardian email address:	

**Selection Process:**

*I understand that 100 young women will be randomly selected for each sixth and seventh grade cohort, and that completion of this interest form does not guarantee admission to the Young Women's School.*

*I understand that up to 50% of the 200 seats for 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade students will be made available to the Armendariz community first, the remaining seats will be made available to students living outside of the Armendariz community and outside of the district boundaries.*

*If selected to enroll, I understand that I will be notified during the week of April 24<sup>th</sup> via the contact information I provided above.*

**Expectations:**

*If selected to enroll, I understand that I will accept the expectations, challenges and rigors of the program which include participating in a collaborative learning environment, engaging in service learning projects, and formalizing a 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade plan for my learning and development.*

*I understand the selection process and expectations listed above.*

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Student Signature

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Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

Complete this form and return to Dr. Cynthia Ontiveros, Principal, by **April 7, 2017:**  
 (1) Return to your child's teacher to submit the form on your behalf; **OR**  
 (2) Fax to (915) 230-3097; **OR**  
 (3) Email to [ccontive@episd.org](mailto:ccontive@episd.org); **OR**  
 (4) Mail to EPISD • Young Women's School • 6531 Boeing Drive • El Paso, TX 79925