THE POWER OF TWO
EASTFIELD COLLEGE’S EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL MOVEMENT (ECHS)
WHAT IS AN ECHS?

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W.W. SAMUELL
EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

Eastfield College
DALLAS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
MEET THE PARTNERS

W.W. Samuell & H. Grady Spruce
MEET SAMUELL

OUR VISION
Samuell High School will ensure that all students graduate college-ready and career-ready within four years.

100% STUDENTS
First generation college-bound

50% STUDENTS
Samuell feeder pattern and the rest from across DISD

Note: Data is for ALL Samuell, including ECHS

- Other: 1.3%
- African American: 21.7%
- Hispanic: 77.0%
- Male: 54.2%
- Female: 45.8%

Qualify for free/reduced lunch: 89.3%

Starting a pre-ECHS in 6th grade at feeder schools.
MEET SPRUCE

MISSION
To provide traditionally underserved students (high percentage of at-risk, economically challenged students and first-time college goers) an opportunity to earn a high school diploma and 60 credit hours towards an associate’s degree in a high-demand job field.

DETAILS
• Cohort minimum of 60 students to start in Fall 2015 at Spruce
• Applications available in December 2014
• Signing in April 2015

PROGRAMS OFFERED
• Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Technology
• Digital Media Technology
• Computer-Aided Design and Drafting
• Advanced Manufacturing and Mechatronics
PARTNER DIFFERENCES

SAMUELL
- Associate of Arts
- Associate of Science
- 4 active cohorts
- Maximum of a total of 400 students
- Open since 2012-2013

SPRUCE
- Associate of Applied Science
- Level 2 Certificates
- Starting cohort in Fall 2015
- 60 students in cohort
- Grant funding for start-up until December 2015 (THECB, TEA, TWC)
SUSTAINING OUR GROWTH

- Facilities
- Personnel
- Software
- Equipment
The Impact on the Community: Looking Into the Future
"This program has given me the opportunity
to broaden my horizon
and to actually grow
as a person
and as a student."

- Ivy Espinoza Morales