

# Windham School District

## Introductions



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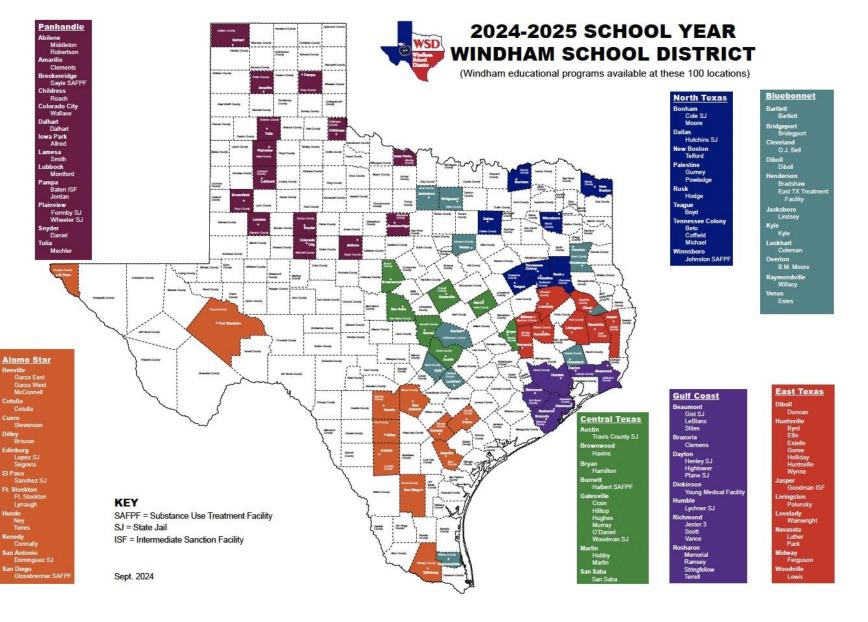
## Windham Overview

- Mission
  - The mission of Windham School District is to guide, motivate and empower students through innovative educational pathways.
- 100 campuses within TDCJ
- Serve ~ 50,000 students
- 1,000+ employees
- Certified educators











# **Programs and Services Offered**

- Academic education
  - High school diploma
  - High school equivalency
- Life skills
- Career and Technical Education (CTE)
- Postsecondary pathways







## **Academics**

- Literacy
  - Curriculum review team
    - Age-appropriate materials
      - Keep it relevant and engaging
    - Individualized plans
    - Align with Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills
  - Measurable skills gains
  - Digital literacy







## **Academics**

- Contextualized Instruction
  - Concurrent enrollment with CTE
    - Integrated Education and Training (IET)
    - Student advisement -> Career Pathways
- High School Equivalency (HSE)
  - Terminology: GED® or HSE
  - SY24 HSE certificates earned: 2,657







## **Academics**

- High School Diploma (HSD)
  - 114\* HSDs earned since program launch in October 2020
  - Dual enrollment







# **Peer Supports**

- Peer Tutoring program
- Research-informed
- Open communication between students
  - Fear of failure is lessened
  - Supports skill development





## **Students with Disabilities**

- Accommodations
- Individuals with Disabilities
   Education Act
  - Special Education
  - Under the age of 22
- Americans with Disabilities Act
  - Adult learners
  - Self-identify
  - Teacher observation

## Americans with Disabilities Act



\*The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a federal civil rights law that prohibits discrimination against people with disabilities in everyday activities.



## Do you need an evaluation to recieve accomodations?

Contact your principal or student advisor to complete the Student Accommodation Request Form.

Students and educators have the right to request an evaluation for accomodations at any time.

\*U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division

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## Life Skills

- Cognitive Behavioral
  - Communication, advocacy, identification of thinking errors
  - Cognitive Intervention Program (CIP)
    - SY24 Participants: 7,629
  - Changing Habits and Achieving New Goals to Empower Success (CHANGES)
    - SY24 Participants: 15,581
- Parenting
  - SY24 Participants: 2,310







## **Career and Technical Education**

- 10 career clusters
  - 40+ CTE programs offered
- Focus: Labor market projections and industry needs
- Industry-Based Certifications (IBC)
  - SY24 13,888
- Apprenticeship







# **Career Pathways**

Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources	Hospitality and Tourism
Architecture and Construction	Human Services
Arts, A/V Technology and Communication	Information Technology
Business, Marketing and Finance	Manufacturing
Energy	Transportation, Distribution and Logistics



# **Postsecondary Partners**

- College and Career Readiness Department
  - College and Career Days
  - Occupational Licensing
- Enrollment for SY24: 4,061\*
  - Academic and CTE options
- 13 higher education partners
  - AA, AS, AAS, Level 1 CTE Certificates
  - Prior Learning Assessments



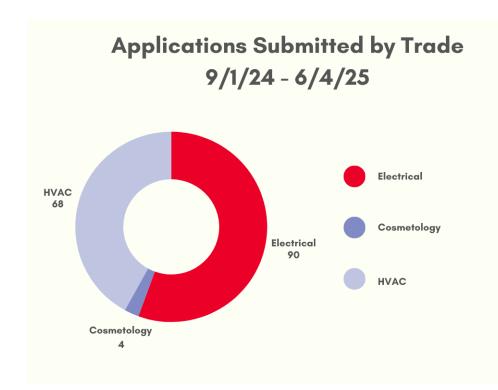






# **Occupational Licensing**

- Regulated trades Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation
  - Electrical
  - Air Conditioning and Refrigeration
  - Barbering
  - Cosmetology
- Criminal History Evaluation Letter
- Applications Submitted
  - 162\* total
    - 131\* pre-reentry







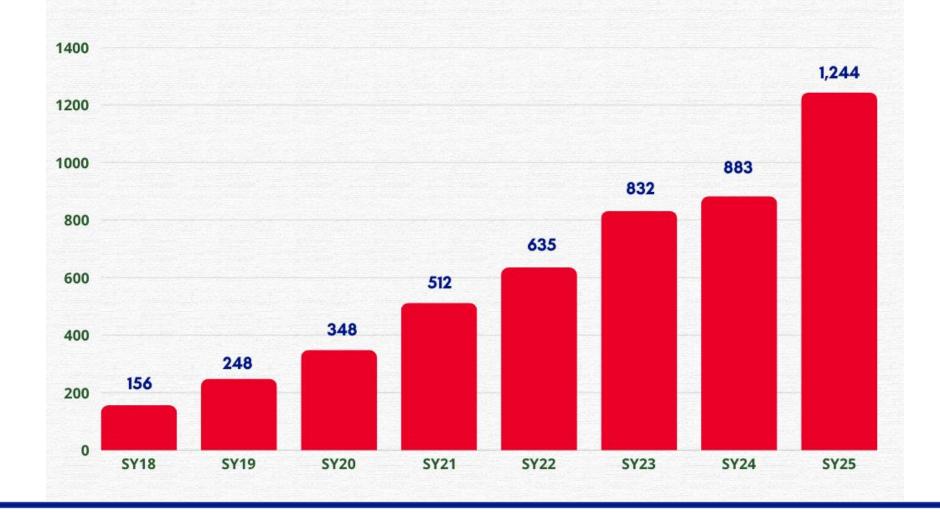
# **Apprenticeship and On-the-Job Training**

- Collaboration with the Texas
   Department of Criminal Justice
- Practical exposure and hands-on training opportunities
- Certificate of Completion of Apprenticeship through the U.S. Department of Labor
- Collaboration with industry experts





## **Active Apprentices by School Year**





# **Technology**

- Funding for connectivity
- Devices
- Simulators, augmented reality, virtual reality
- Digital literacy
  - Resumes and mock interviews
  - Typing skills







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