



EDUCATION is FREEDOM

getting more students into college

ABOUT EIF:

Education is Freedom (EIF) was founded in 2002 on the belief that every young person deserves the opportunity for a college education. EIF provides students with a roadmap to complete high school and enter college with its comprehensive school based program, *EIF Dallas*, offered in the Dallas Independent School District.

EIF Dallas has served over 7,500 Dallas ISD high school students. Eighty-one percent of EIF graduates have enrolled in college (compared to 55% of Texas high school graduates and 45% of Dallas ISD graduates). *EIF Dallas* graduates have leveraged over \$12 million in financial aid and scholarships.

OUR GOALS:

- Prevent low-income students from dropping out of high school
- Help students prepare for college during middle school and high school
- Assist students in navigating the college entrance and financial aid processes
- Help students leverage private and public scholarship funds
- Equip students with the necessary skills to successfully complete college

POPULATION SERVED:

- 84% of EIF students are economically disadvantaged
- 98% of minority race/ethnicity
- 89% are potential first generation college students

19 Comprehensive Dallas ISD High Schools:

W. H. Adamson High School
 David W. Carter High School
 Emmett J. Conrad High School
 Thomas Jefferson High School
 Justin F. Kimball High School
 Lincoln High School
 James Madison High School
 Moisés E. Molina High School
 North Dallas High School
 L. G. Pinkston High School
 Franklin D. Roosevelt High School

Seagoville High School
 Skyline High School
 A. Maceo Smith High School
 South Oak Cliff High School
 H. Grady Spruce High School
 Sunset High School
 W. T. White High School
 Woodrow Wilson High School

6 Dallas ISD Middle Schools:

Pearl C. Anderson Middle School
 Billy E. Dade Middle School
 Thomas Edison Middle School
 Hector P. Garcia Middle School
 Thomas J. Rusk Middle School
 Alex W. Spence Middle School

3 Dallas ISD Alternative Schools:

Otto M. Fridia Alternative High School
 Barbara M. Manns High School
 John Leslie Patton Academic Center

CORE COMPONENTS

Higher Education Advisors

Full time, on-campus individuals to provide college planning assistance and guidance

EIF: G3

(Get Ready. Get Set. Go to College!)

Personal development and college planning workshops

Scholarship Partnerships

University and external scholarship partners offering college tuition assistance for EIF students

EIF Dallas Middle School Champions of Change, EIF Dallas (MC²)

Encourages and rewards academic excellence among 6th, 7th and 8th graders

Mayor Tom Leppert's Intern Fellows Program

Paid summer internships with Dallas's top companies and organizations

Academic Celebrations

Recognizes students' academic achievements

Mentoring

By *EIF Dallas* staff and volunteers

Parent Outreach

Educating and involving parents and guardians in the college process

AHN
EIF Graduate
Student at UT-Dallas

“My EIF Advisor was the most supportive person through the course of my college process. There were times when I felt like quitting and her encouragement influenced me to strive to be better. This entire college experience has been a thrill ride that I would have never gotten to experience if it wasn't for EIF. They contribute their time, effort, and support to future college students and I appreciate everything that EIF has done to help me become a better person.”



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COMPARED TO GENERAL DALLAS ISD STUDENTS, **EIF DALLAS STUDENTS ARE MORE LIKELY TO:**



Stay in school and complete each grade



Take Advanced Placement Courses



Have higher GPAs



Graduate from High School



Apply to College



Enter College

PARTICIPATION IN **EIF DALLAS** RESULTS IN:

- Increased knowledge of proper study skills, academic integrity, college planning and other EIF:G3 topics for all grade levels
- Gained professional work experience for those who participate in the Mayor's Intern Fellows program
- Increased parent and guardian knowledge of the college process
- *EIF Dallas* seniors, specifically, can expect:
 - Multiple college applications submitted per student
 - More secured resources to pay for college through EIF-specific and external scholarships
 - Greater college enrollment compared to Dallas ISD enrollment rates

FOR THE **EIF CLASS OF 2010** (APPROX. 2,300 SENIORS AT 16 HIGH SCHOOLS):

- 94% graduated from high school
- 95% applied to college
- 87% were accepted to college
- Over \$7.6 million secured in financial aid and public and private scholarships

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