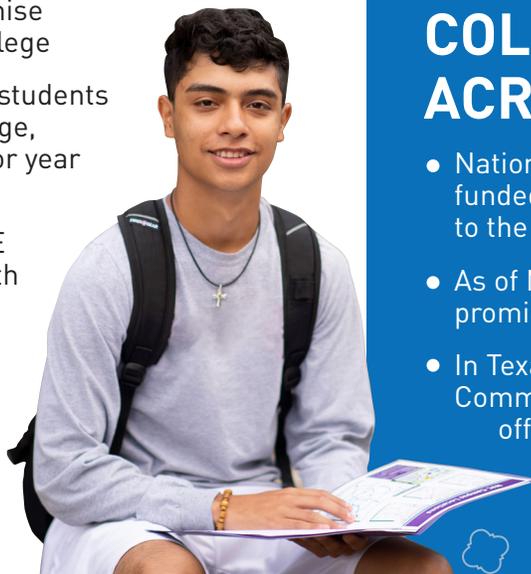




KEY FACTS

- AlamoPROMISE is a new initiative of the Alamo Colleges District, working with community and educational partners, to provide the first two year of community college to eligible students who plan to earn an associate degree, certification, courses for transfer or workforce training
- AlamoPROMISE seeks to provide a college education for a larger percentage of high school graduates, have a meaningful financial impact on the prosperity of families across the San Antonio region and address workforce needs in the area
- AlamoPROMISE eliminates financial barriers to higher education, helping students complete college and obtain the skills to hold high-wage, high-demand jobs
- AlamoPROMISE is a component of Chancellor Dr. Mike Flores' bold vision to eliminate poverty in San Antonio through education
- The program would provide last-dollar scholarship funding to fill the gap between a student's financial aid award and the cost of tuition and fees for the first two years at one of the five colleges of the Alamo Colleges
- AlamoPROMISE includes comprehensive student support services from career exploration and advising to connections to social services and student advocacy centers.
- Support services address transportation and childcare costs, food insufficiency and other barriers students face in attending and completing college
- AlamoPROMISE will combine a mix of sustainable and continuous public and private funding sources. These may include state appropriations, business contributions, philanthropic gifts, public funding and private funding
- A Summer Bridge pilot program will begin during the Summer 2019 term to assist Promise Scholars with the transition to college
- To participate in AlamoPROMISE, students must meet eligibility criteria, pledge, apply and enroll during their senior year at a participating high school
- The first cohort of AlamoPROMISE students are expected to begin with the 2020-2021 academic year

For more information on AlamoPROMISE, go to alamo.edu/promise



BENEFITS TO OUR REGION

AlamoPROMISE will address the fact that San Antonio is one of the fastest growing economic regions in the country, yet had the second highest percentage of population in poverty among the top 25 largest U.S. metro areas in 2017.

AlamoPROMISE is needed because:

- 65% of all job require more than a high school diploma by 2020, but only 33% of adults have an associate degree or higher in San Antonio
- Only 45% of high school seniors in San Antonio attend college; only 33% complete college—12% less than the national average
- Education impacts individual earnings 5 times more than any other demographic factor
- The average associate degree graduate from Alamo Colleges will gain a \$9,400 earnings increase each year compared to a high school graduate working in Texas
- Only 12% of 8th graders from low-income families in Bexar County earned a two- or four-year degree six years after high school graduation. 16% of these were Black, 15% Latino and 32% White

COLLEGE PROMISE ACROSS THE NATION

- Nationally, college promise programs are funded based on the resources available to the specific community or state served
- As of May 2017, there were 242 college promise programs in the U.S.
- In Texas, the Dallas County Community College District offers the Dallas County Promise program