



## Southeast Alabama Education Outreach Center

Educational Talent Search  
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Dear Parents and Students:

We are happy to invite your child to secure their position in the Educational Talent Search Program (ETS) in Dothan City Schools (DCS). We have limited spots and would like to extend an invitation to your student.

Throughout the many changes in DCS, Educational Talent Search, over the last 22 years, has never wavered in its service to its participants through consistency and dedication. Educational Talent Search is a federally funded program with the following objectives:

- Identify students with the potential to enroll in college, technical school, or a certificate program (Post Secondary Education – PSE) after high school graduation.
- Supplement the middle and high school counselor's guidance in career exploration, career planning, college financial planning and academic advisement.
- Monitor student academic preparedness to be ready to enroll in postsecondary option of choice.
- Facilitate completion of admission process in 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade to review and meet admission, financial aid, and scholarship deadlines relevant to individuals. Average award for 2020 senior \$6,000.00
- In essence, ETS is about creating awareness about one's curriculum choices to prepare a student for college enrollment and career path.

*Once students qualify for Educational Talent Search, they do not have to re-qualify annually.* We track them through high school and now are required to track a large sample through PSE as well.

We sincerely hope that you and your student will consider applying for this academic program. Annually, we have an average 95% college enrollment rate. As a parent, I know that you want good things for all your children, and this program can be a giant step in the right direction.

To apply for consideration in the ETS, please complete the attached application and return to the above address. The application and academic transcript will be reviewed, and then eligibility will be determined. If eligible, both student and parent will be invited to ETS orientation either via zoom or in person to discuss program further.

Past opportunities have included Auburn E-day, Summer Camps (virtual and in-person) ACT Boot Camps (virtual and in person), college tours (virtual and in person) and job shadowing (virtual and in person) to name a few.

We look forward to getting to know your student and you through the next five to six years.

Sincerely,

Charlotte E. Williams  
Director

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Education Advisor