



# THE POST

**PACE High School  
Program**

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## **Welcome Back!**

We would first like to take the opportunity to welcome everyone back to an exciting new school year. This is the first time that PACE has issued a newsletter and we are hoping that it will be informative and helpful to all. The purpose is to keep parents, guardians, and students aware of news and current events that are happening on our campus, the student's home campus, as well as in the district. There will be six more of these newsletters that will be sent out throughout the school year at the end of each six weeks grading period.

This school year, each high school campuses will be offering opportunities for your students to get extra help for the TAKS test. These opportunities will be during the school day as well as on the weekends. Information will be sent out either in the newsletter or separately. Also, pay careful attention to the webpage for each of the three schools, as well as the district. The web addresses are listed on the second page of this newsletter.

Attached to the newsletters that will follow will be a copy of the credits that each student has earned. Students are required to earn at least 3 credits each 18 weeks of enrollment while attending at a rate of 90%. Students failing to attain these requirements will be dismissed from the program. This school year, truancy cases will be filed with the Municipal Court located on North Broadway.

If at anytime you have questions or concerns about your student, please do not hesitate to call or come by the school. We are here to help.

### **Important Dates:**

8/25 First day of School

9/1 Student Holiday

9/26 Registration  
Deadline Nov. SAT

10/3 End of 1st Six  
Weeks

10/9 Credits Reports  
and Newsletter

10/13 Student Holiday

10/15 PSAT—11th  
Grade

10/21 TAKS Exit  
Level ELA

10/22 TAKS Exit  
Level Math

10/23 TAKS Exit  
Level Science

10/24 TAKS Exit  
Level Social Studies

11/1 SAT Test @ REL

11/7 Registration  
Deadline Dec. ACT

## **PACE High School Program**

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### **Important Phone Numbers:**

**JT:** 903-262-2850

**REL:** 903-262-2625

**TISD:** 903-262-1000

### **WEBSITES:**

**PACE:** [http://  
www.tylerisd.org/Schools/  
PACE/](http://www.tylerisd.org/Schools/PACE/)

**JT:** [http://www.tylerisd.org/  
Schools/JT/](http://www.tylerisd.org/Schools/JT/)

**REL:** [http://www.tylerisd.org/  
Schools/REL/](http://www.tylerisd.org/Schools/REL/)

**TISD:** <http://>

PACE High School is a dropout prevention and dropout recovery program for at-risk high school students in the Tyler Independent School District. The major goal of PACE is to improve the academic, occupational, and personal skills of potential high school dropouts to a degree that will permit them to stay in school and graduate with skills for employment and/or post secondary education. Students work at their own pace; there are no failures. A student is given the opportunity to repeat assignments until a passing grade is accomplished. Class work consists of reading the textbooks and completing written assignments with enhancement using Plato software on our networked computer system. Plato Credit Recovery is also offered. Students who complete graduation requirements at PACE will participate in commencement on their home campus. Bus transportation is not provided.

### **Program Eligibility**

Students must be 15-21 years of age, currently enrolled at John Tyler or Robert E. Lee High School, and meet at least one of the following:

- be a fifth year senior,
- in jeopardy of not graduating with their senior class,
- be more than two years over age for classification
- failed two or more subjects,
- dropped out of school for over a semester,
- be a pregnant or parenting teen or,
- retained one or more times.

### **Student Expectations**

Demonstrate gains in communication skills, reading, language arts, social studies, math, and science;

Maintain a 90% attendance rate;

Earn at least 3 credits during each 18 weeks of enrollment;

Develop and/or improve employability skills;

Reduce discipline-related referrals;

Take SAT and/or ACT as a step toward enrollment in post secondary education.

### **Admission Process**

Obtain an application from school counselor or print from web site.

Return completed application to counselor.

Wait for PACE personnel to schedule an appointment for an interview.