



## **East Career & Technical Academy GEAR UP Abstract 2017-2018**

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East Career & Technical Academy (ECTA) serves approximately 1,795 students: 43% male, 56% female. The diverse population includes 4% Black/African American, 67% Hispanic, 10% Asian/Pacific Islander, and 12% White. Additionally, 4.1% of the population is identified as LEP, 3.2% as IEP, and 43.6% as participants in the Free or Reduced Lunch program.

East Career & Technical Academy offers eight career pathways; Education, Entertainment Marketing and Hospitality, Automotive Technology, Information Technology, Electronic Technology, Culinary Arts, Medical Professions, and Construction Management in an environment that emphasizes “Rigorous and Relevant Learning”. Project-based instruction is delivered through a 4x4 block schedule allowing students to take eight courses each year. Students who graduate from ECTA are prepared to enroll in post-secondary education or embark on their chosen career. The 2+2 Tech Prep program allows students to earn college credit while still in high school. A college and career fair brings a variety of local employers, college representatives, and military recruiters to campus. This event links classroom learning to real world opportunities.

Services that will be provided for GEAR UP cohort members during their freshman year include keeping the library open an extra hour each day to assure students have resources for the research involved in project based learning before or after school. Eleventh (11<sup>th</sup>) and twelfth (12<sup>th</sup>) grade students will receive the following services: counseling and advising that includes creating an Individual Academic Plan (IAP) to assure students have an opportunity to understand high school opportunities, exploration of career interests, tutoring, and mentoring provided by high school or college students, parent night events that focus on academic achievement, postsecondary opportunities, financial aid, and college campus visits to gain familiarity with college offerings and opportunities. STEM activities such as robotics & engineering will be provided for students that are interested in STEM Careers. The school counselor and the SPIF will review the Individual Academic Plan with an emphasis on its relationship to graduation and post-secondary opportunities.

Campus visits will be scheduled for CSN, NSC, UNLV, and UNR. Monthly parent meetings will assist parents in learning about high school processes, procedures, and graduation requirements, in addition to scholarship opportunities and other college support. Darlin Delgado, principal will provide program oversight.