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FRANK L. MADLA EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL NAMED TOP HIGH SCHOOL

US News and World Report rankings identified Frank L. Madla Early College High School, a New Frontiers Public Schools campus, as a top public charter high school in San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO — Frank L. Madla Early College High School has been identified as one of the 10 best public charter high schools in San Antonio, according to U.S. News & World Report. The publication ranked more than 17,700 schools, focusing on college readiness, reading and math proficiency, reading and math performance, underserved student performance, college curriculum breadth and graduation rates.

'Beyond the accolades and accomplishments, I am most proud that we are offering premiere high school opportunity that makes college accessible for all students. The grit of our students never ceases to amaze. Earning college hours, an Associate's Degree and their distinguished high school diploma – all at the same time is incredible," said Jeffrey Flores, Frank L. Madla Early College High School Principal.

The Frank L. Madla Early College High School, an 'A' rated campus, is operated by New Frontiers Public Schools – in partnership with Palo Alto College, where the campus is located. Early College High Schools (ECHS) are innovative high schools that allow students least likely to attend college an opportunity to earn a high school diploma and up to 60 college credit hours.

"We take great pride in the hard work and dedication that it takes to be amongst an elite few, said Alfredo Segura Jr., this is a true reflection of a community - from the administrators, teachers, students to families - we share a mission of providing a path to and through college for our future leaders."

This news coinciding with the first day of Teacher Appreciation Week was not lost on the school leadership. "This acknowledgment could not come at a more appropriate time. Each of our teachers have an unwavering belief in our students' success and they work tirelessly to ensure that our students themselves understand that they are built for greatness," said Flores.

The campus is currently accepting applications for the 2020-2021 school year in grades 9^{th} - 10^{th} with limited availability.

To learn more about the Frank L. Madla Early College High School, visit https://flmechs.newfrontierspublicschools.org/

About New Frontiers Public Schools

New Frontiers Public Schools is a local, community-based, free public charter school district serving children in kindergarten through high school on the south side of San Antonio since 1998. The 'B' rated district operates the Frank L . Madla Accelerated Collegiate Academy and the Frank L. Madla Early College High School. Their schools operate under a college immersion model where all students in every grade receive a collegiate experience. For information on New Frontiers Public Schools, visit www.newfrontierspublicschools.org.

About Early College Highs Schools

Early College High Schools are innovative high schools that allow students least likely to attend college an opportunity to earn a high school diploma and up to 60 college credit hours. Under the authority of Texas Education Code (TEC) §29.908(b) and Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §102.1091, the TEA has developed a designation process for ECHS. The designation process ensures that districts and colleges operating ECHS campuses maintain the integrity of the model, which was researched and designed to target and serve students who would not otherwise consider attending college.