



10 CREATIVE WAYS TO USE THE TEXAS ONCOURSE ACADEMY IN YOUR SCHOOL

AVID TEACHERS

Texas OnCourse Academy can complement the curriculum that AVID teachers use every day. Enhance your knowledge of college applications, scholarship programs, and financial aid with these modules:

- 📍 [Basic Principles of Financial Aid](#)
- 📍 [College Finances](#)
- 📍 [Common Application](#)
- 📍 [ApplyTexas](#)
- 📍 [Questbridge](#)

ECON TEACHERS

Understanding FAFSA is part of the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS), and these Texas OnCourse Academy modules can provide valuable training and resources so that econ teachers can be prepared to teach students about and support them through the FAFSA process:

- 📍 [Basic Principles of Financial Aid](#)
- 📍 [FAFSA](#)
- 📍 [College Finances](#)

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION TEACHERS AND STAFF

Texas OnCourse Academy modules can be used to familiarize CTE teachers and staff with various topics relevant to HB 5 graduation requirements aligned with CTE curriculum, as well as exploring other areas of career and college readiness.

- 📍 [Basic Principles of Career Pathways](#)
- 📍 [High School Personal Graduation Plan](#)
- 📍 [College Finances](#)
- 📍 [Common App](#)
- 📍 [ApplyTexas](#)

JUNIOR ENGLISH TEACHERS

Junior year is when most students really dive into what path to take after high school. They begin deciding who to ask for letters of recommendation and looking for advice on applications. The following Texas OnCourse Academy modules can help prepare teachers to answer these questions and provide strategies to help guide students. Using these modules can also help maintain a consistent message across campus.

- 📍 [ApplyTexas](#)
- 📍 [Common App](#)
- 📍 [Basic Principles of Postsecondary Pathways](#)
- 📍 [Basic Principles of Career Pathways](#)
- 📍 [Scholarship Applications](#)

COACHING STAFF

With high turnover rates and constant changes to NCAA and NAIA rules, Texas OnCourse Academy can provide updated basic information for those involved in coaching student-athletes. High school coaching staffs also have unique access to students and the ability to meet with students in study halls.

- 📍 [FAFSA](#)
- 📍 [TASFA](#)
- 📍 [SAT](#)
- 📍 [ACT](#)
- 📍 [NCAA & NAIA Eligibility Centers](#)

LIBRARY STAFF

Housing the most computers in our building, the library is always abuzz with students needing access to the internet. Incorporating any Texas OnCourse Academy modules would be great, but having librarians complete the modules below would be the most beneficial.

- 📍 SAT
- 📍 ACT
- 📍 TSIA
- 📍 ApplyTexas

LUNCH-AND-LEARN STYLE

Texas OnCourse Academy is great for ongoing staff development for counselors and advisors in all school districts. District leads can work with counselors on scheduling staff development days where counselors, advisers, and interns can also earn CPU hours. Start with these modules:

- 📍 Researching Postsecondary Options
- 📍 Scholarship Applications
- 📍 Basic Principles of Postsecondary Pathways

NEW COUNSELORS AND ADVISERS

Counseling education programs do not typically teach up-to-date information on all the academic topics that secondary counselors and advisers are expected to know. Texas OnCourse Academy modules are excellent for the beginning counselor to review, master, and continually refer to as they navigate their first year of counseling. Setting goals throughout the year of having certain modules completed ensures knowledgeable staff. For example, at the beginning of the year high school counselors might start by mastering these modules:

- 📍 ApplyTexas
- 📍 Common App
- 📍 FAFSA

SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHERS AND STAFF

Texas OnCourse Academy can be used to train new staff in this department or to refresh current staff. Transitioning to a pathway beyond high school can be smoother when students have the proper resources and preparation. The following modules can enhance staff members' knowledge to ensure that students have a plan after high school that complements their strengths.

- 📍 Career Exploration
- 📍 Military Enlistment
- 📍 High School Personal Graduation Plan
- 📍 Transition Services for Students with Disabilities

JUNIOR ROTC STAFF

Texas OnCourse Academy has great resources for involving military recruiters and Junior ROTC staff and teachers in college and career readiness and postsecondary options for students.

- 📍 ASVAB
- 📍 Military Academy Applications
- 📍 Military Enlistment
- 📍 Basic Principles of Postsecondary Pathways
- 📍 Career Exploration
- 📍 High School Personal Graduation Plan
- 📍 Transition Services for Students with Disabilities

