



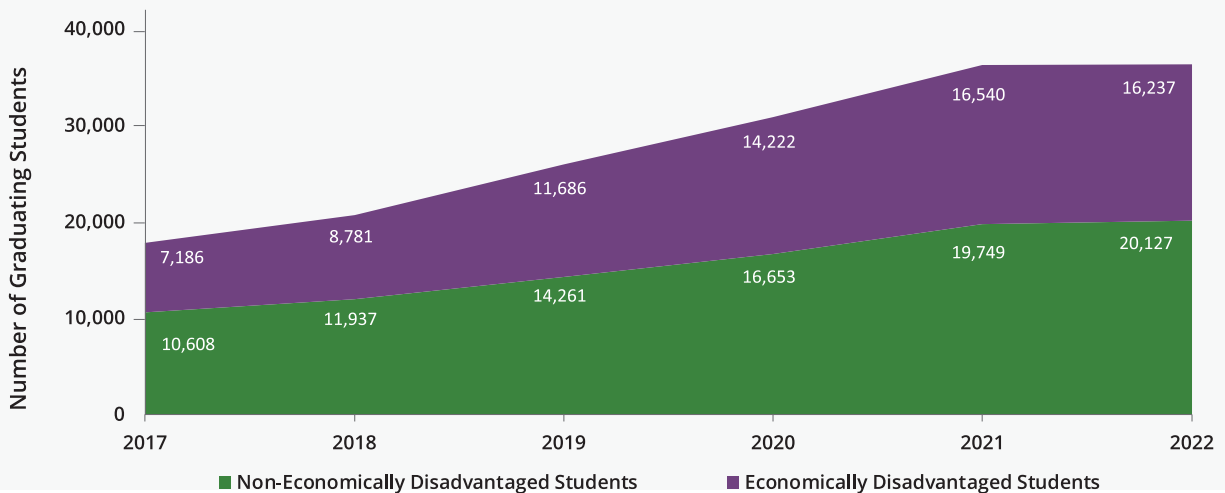
## Connect High School to Career and College

Preparing students for life beyond high school is vital for their economic future and the growth of the state, as most jobs require some education and training beyond high school. HB 8 (88R) created an incentive for colleges to partner with school systems to help students earn 15 hours of college credit in high school. The Legislature also provides incentives to transform certain traditional high schools into specially-designed college and career readiness schools to maximize the postsecondary success of students.



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### GRADUATES EARNING 15 OR MORE DUAL CREDIT HOURS<sup>17</sup>



Schools that adopt a specialized College and Career Readiness School Model have the most success supporting students to graduate with 15 or more dual credit hours, with on average **66% of their graduates** reaching that achievement.

### GROWTH OF COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS SCHOOL MODELS<sup>18</sup>

- Early College High Schools (ECHS)
- Pathways in Technology Early College High Schools (P-TECH)
- Texas Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (T-STEM)

