Guaranteed Admissions Program

Fresno State is committed to ensuring clear and equitable pathways to higher education, along with preparing students in our region for success.

About the Program

Bulldog Bound is Fresno State’s guaranteed admissions program. It means that high school students from partnering school districts who meet the minimum California State University requirements are guaranteed a spot at Fresno State after they graduate.

Fresno State Bulldog Bound ensures that qualified students have a clear, tangible path to a college degree. Fresno State will support students and their families with admission preparation as early as 9th grade.

Who Can Participate

Any student in grades 9 through 12 in Fresno State’s partnering school districts can sign a guaranteed admission agreement with Fresno State, with the consent of their parent(s) or guardian(s).

Fresno State’s partnering school districts are located in Fresno, Madera, Kings and Tulare counties.

Benefits of the Program

Students who participate in the Bulldog Bound program are guaranteed admission to Fresno State. Fresno State and partnering school districts will provide students and their families with the resources, services and tools needed to meet these requirements.

Admissions and recruitment staff work closely with students in preparation for their time at the university, and academic expectations are set from the beginning to inspire them to succeed.

By participating in Bulldog Bound, students receive:
• Guaranteed admissions as early as 9th grade
• Early admission for 11th graders
• On-the-spot admissions for 12th graders
• Fresno State ID card, email, and library access
• Help with career and academic major exploration
• Dual enrollment opportunities*
• Assistance with application to Fresno State
• Early financial aid estimates
• Scholarship opportunities
• Campus life experience
• Summer student experience opportunities
• Resources for parents/guardians

*Scheduled to start in 2024-25 using the Uni-track and/or other models offered by Fresno State.
You Are Bulldog Bound!

Fresno State Bulldog Bound offers a seamless transition from high school to college for our region’s bright minds. Fresno State is committed to offering resources for each student, their parents/guardians, and the school districts. The respective commitments for participants are as follows.

**Student Commitment**
1. Sign agreement with Fresno State
2. Participate in Fresno State programs and activities
3. Maintain academic standards for Fresno State

**Parent/Guardian Commitment**
1. Consent to student participation
2. Participate in Fresno State programs and activities
3. Be part of the Fresno State parent community

**School District/School Commitment**
1. Enter into agreement with Fresno State
2. Agree to data sharing
3. Provide access to students
4. Encourage students to participate
5. Provide resources for dual enrollment
6. Provide resources to transport students to Fresno State for on-campus programs

To participate in the Bulldog Bound program, contact Fresno State Admissions and Recruitment at 559.278.2261.