PALMER RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

BUSINESS PATHWAY
OF DISTINCTION

Build business skills. Lead with purpose. Graduate with distinction.



YOUR PATH TO DISTINCTION

6 BUSINESS SEMESTERS + 3.5 PATHWAY GPA + DECA/FBLA + 1 EXPERIENCE

1 | COMPLETE THE COURSEWORK

Earn 6 semesters (3 full years) of qualifying CTE Business coursework.

- **Core pathway courses**: Principles of Marketing A & B; Entrepreneurship A & B; Leadership & CTE Capstone
- **Other eligible courses**: Intro to Business (1 semester); Personal Finance (1 semester); Accounting (1–2 semesters)
- **Academic standard**: Maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA in pathway courses—not overall GPA.

2 | COMPLETE THE "AND"

Be an active DECA and/or FBLA member, then complete at least ONE additional option:

- **Certification**: Earn the Entrepreneurship for Small Business (ESB) certification.
- **Competitive achievement**: Demonstrate growth or achievement in a DECA/FBLA prepared event, award, state/national qualification, or leadership role.
- **Work-based learning**: Complete an internship of at least 40 hours. A D38 Enterprise internship can support membership and competition costs.

HOW STUDENTS FINISH

1. Track qualifying courses and pathway GPA.
2. Save evidence of DECA/FBLA participation and an additional experience.
3. Complete the student Google Form.
4. The Business Department and counselor verify completion.

RECOGNITION

Students who earn the Business Pathway of Distinction receive an honor cord to wear at graduation.

DECA: blue/white • FBLA: blue/yellow

DECA FBLA

READY TO APPLY?

Complete the Student Pathway of Distinction Google Form after all requirements are finished.

FORM LINK PROVIDED BY PRHS

Questions? Talk with your Business teacher or school counselor.