What is EPI?
The Eagle Polytechnic Institute (E.P.I.) is an integrated academic program which provides students with the opportunity to develop skills using technology for research, communications, presentation and project development. EPI provides innovative, challenging academic curriculum and hands-on activities that teach students how to apply their knowledge. The goal of EPI is to provide strong academic and technical skills which prepare students for advanced study at colleges, universities or technical schools in majors such as Architecture, Broadcast Media (TV/Radio Tech), Engineering, or Electronics. All classes within the program fulfill university a – g requirements.

EPI is a three-year program for sophomores through senior year students who enroll in a series of courses taught by EPI instructors. Students may enter the program in their 10th, or 11th year. This integrated program is designed to assist students in selecting a career to build their future. Technology courses offered are: Computer Assisted Design and Drafting (CADD), Beginning Radio and TV, Directed Study Radio, Directed Study Television, Advanced Film Making/Video 1, Pre-Engineering Technology, Metals… most of which allow students to EARN COLLEGE UNITS while attending high school!

Is EPI for you?
Well, that is up to you to decide. Answer these questions and register for E.P.I. classes (see below).

- Do you enjoy working with your hands?
- Have you ever dreamed of building, planning, or designing something?
- Are you interested in a more technical reading and writing English class?
- Do you like working on computers or figuring out how things work?
- Are you interested in media broadcasting?
- What do you think about group projects that integrate two or more subjects?
- Would you like to go on college visitations? Would you like to go on field trips to local businesses for job shadows? Would you like to go on field trips related to what you are studying in class? Past field trips include those to: California Academy of Sciences, the Exploratorium, sailing aboard the Hawaiian Chieftain, touring the Balclutha and SS Jeremiah O’Brien, Intel, California Aerospace Museum, Caltrans, ARC, CSUS, UOP, CSU Chico, UC Davis, UC Berkeley, etc.

How do I join EPI?
- Pick up an application from the Counseling Office, Mr. Markley (rm 29) or Mrs. Riggs (rm 60).
- Fill out the application, turn it in, and have 3 of your teachers fill out the recommendation forms.
- Register for one of the Technology classes (see “EPI Tech Course Offerings”).

Note: If you haven’t passed Algebra 1, you will need to take it in summer school or retake it next year. If you have passed Algebra 1 with a C or better, register for EPI Geometry. If you have passed Geometry with a C or better, register for EPI Algebra 2. If you have passed Algebra 2, register for PreCalculus.

Want to learn more?
- Contact Mr. Markley (EPI Facilitator) at 971-7666 x4329 or steve.markley@sanjuan.edu or Mrs. Riggs (EPI Coordinator) at 971-7996 x 4360 or briggs@sanjuan.edu.
- For more information, check out the EPI link under Mrs. Riggs’ website http://www.sanjuan.edu/webpages/briggs/index.cfm?subpage=10797.