

RUNNING START IN THE NORTSHORE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Running Start College Credit While in High School

The Running Start program allows juniors and seniors to attend community and technical colleges while still attending high school. This program allows qualified students to take college courses and apply the credits toward high school graduation and potential college degrees. Tuition is paid by the Northshore School District.

- Some of the courses listed in the attached chart are also offered online or combine online coursework with on-site class sessions. In general, online courses require an additional fee. Students are advised to check with the community college to confirm their financial responsibilities in advance of enrolling in these courses.
- Students wishing to transfer college credits earned through the Running Start program to a baccalaureate institution are strongly advised to verify the college course transfer equivalencies and agreements in advance. This is particularly important if the student is intending to apply to private institutions and/or colleges or universities outside the State of Washington.
- Courses other than those listed may not meet Northshore School District graduation requirements. Students desiring consideration of courses other than those indicated must meet with and receive approval from their high school **in advance of community college registration**.
- Students will be required to complete their High School and Beyond plans at their local high schools. State high school assessments will be administered at the local high schools.

What are the qualifications to attend classes at the surrounding community colleges?

1. The student must pass a college placement test (e.g., COMPASS, ASSET, ACCUPLACER) in order to take any college classes, and be accepted for admission to the Running Start program. The student must contact the community college for the examination schedule and consult with their high school counselor regarding college plans.
2. The student must have junior or senior standing (a minimum of 10 credits from an approved or accredited high school) in high school before taking courses through Running Start.
3. The student must be prepared to take college level courses and do college level work. Meeting grade level standards and passing the state high school assessments are indicators that the student is prepared for success at the college level.
4. The student must furnish his or her own transportation to the community college.
5. The student must purchase his or her own books for the classes and pay any parking and/or incidental fees.
6. The student must remember that while the student is taking the college level course s/he will be treated like a college student. Attendance may not be taken. Parents will not be notified if a student skips a class. Progress reports are not given. The high school is not responsible for the student's actions while attending the college classes.

What Else Should I Know?

1. Students may participate in Running Start programs up to a combined maximum enrollment of 1.2 full-time equivalent or a full-time Running Start equivalent (no high school classes). Students must complete and sign a Running Start Enrollment Verification Form.

2. Running Start students will be charged tuition for college credits exceeding 15 in any quarter (except in college vocational programs or skills centers.)
3. The student must take the course for credit (may not audit for no credit). The student shall notify the college and the high school immediately of any intention to drop a class. Failure to notify the college and high school may result in the student reimbursing the district for tuition fees as well as receiving a failing grade in the class.
4. The Northshore School District will determine which classes taken at the community college will meet the requirements for high school graduation.
5. The student, accessing the Running Start program, must live in the Northshore School District to receive college or high school credit from one of the district's high schools. If a student on waiver chooses to enroll 100% in Running Start classes and not take classes at the high school, the waiver will be rescinded. If a student leaves Northshore School District (no longer enrolled), the college program will not be continued.
6. Students on in-district or out-of-district waivers will have their waivers rescinded if they enroll in full-time Running Start. These students would be returned to their service area schools.
7. Home-based students and private school students living in the Northshore School District should contact the Northshore Networks office at 425.408.4175 to initiate Running Start participation. Once the student begins Running Start, the student has one to two academic years to complete the course of study.
8. Some private colleges, and some out of state colleges may not accept the community college credits.
9. Summer school course work may not be taken as part of the Running Start program. All summer school course work will be at student expense. Credits earned in summer school may apply toward high school graduation.
10. Students participating in Running Start will be required to complete High School and Beyond Plans at their local high schools. State high school assessments are taken at the student's local high school.
11. Early completion of graduation requirements must be coordinated with the high school counselor and principal.
12. A student may not continue in Running Start following successful completion of high school graduation by June of their graduation year. If an individual has not completed all graduation requirements, the student may continue in the Running Start program as a "second year" senior under specific rules.
13. A second year senior is generally understood as being a student who has failed to meet high school graduation requirements as of the end of the student's 12th grade academic year. These students may continue in the program for "the sole and exclusive purpose of completing the particular course or courses required to meet high school graduation requirements." If a student does not utilize Running Start during the junior and/or senior year and fails a class at the high school during the junior or senior year, s/he cannot enroll in that class at the college through Running Start during his/her 13th year. A second year senior can only continue in Running Start if s/he was enrolled in it during his/her junior and/or senior year(s). (WAC 392-169-055).

For more information about the Running Start program, contact the Counseling Department at your high school.

College Courses Meeting Subject Area Graduation Requirements for Northshore School District High Schools

	Bellevue College www.bellevuecollege.edu 425.564.2026	Cascadia College www.cascadia.edu 425.352.8146	Edmonds Community College www.edcc.edu 425.640.1761	Everett Community College www.everettcc.edu 425.388.9211	Lake WA Institute of Technology www.lwtech.edu 425.739.8100 ext.435	Seattle Community Colleges www.seattlecolleges.com 206.587.3836	Shoreline Community College www.shoreline.edu 206.546.4591
ENGLISH	ENGL& 101, ENGL& 111, ENGL& 112, ENGL 131, ENGL 201, ENGL 210, ENGL 219, ENGL 220, ENGL 221, ENGL 226, ENGL 228, ENGL 229, ENGL& 235, ENGL 237, ENGL 238, ENGL 239, ENGL& 244, ENGL& 245, ENGL& 246, ENGL 253, ENGL 254, ENGL 255, ENGL 260, ENGL 261, ENGL 263, ENGL 264, ENGL 266, ENGL 271, ENGL 272	ENGL& 101, ENGL& 102, ENGL& 111, ENGL 211, ENGL 221, ENGL& 235, ENGL& 244, ENGL& 245, ENGL& 254, ENGL& 255, ENGL 277	ENGL& 101, ENGL& 102, ENGL& 111, ENGL& 244, ENGL& 245, ENGL& 246	ENGL& 101, ENGL& 102, ENGL 103, ENGL 105, ENGL& 111, ENGL 240, ENGL 253	ENGL& 101, ENGL& 102, ENGL& 111, ENGL& 235	ENGL& 101, ENGL& 102, ENGL& 111, ENGL& 112, ENGL 201, ENGL& 235, ENGL& 244, ENGL& 245, ENGL& 246, ENGL& 254, ENGL& 256, ENGL 257, ENGL 258	ENGL& 101, ENGL& 102, ENGL& 111, ENGL& 112, ENGL 200, ENGL& 244, ENGL& 245, ENGL& 246
US HISTORY	HIST& 148	HIST& 148	HIST 033, HIST& 148	HIST& 148	HIST& 148	HIST& 148	HIST& 137, HIST& 148
SENIOR SOCIAL STUDIES	POLS& 101, POLS& 202, POLS 175, POLS 204, INTST 201	POLS& 101, POLS& 202, POLS& 203, POLS& 204, GS 101, GS 150	POLS& 101, POLS& 202, POLS& 203, POLS& 204	POLS& 101, POLS& 202, POLS& 203, POLS& 204	POLS& 202	POLS& 101, POLS 112, POLS& 202, POLS& 203, POLS 220	POLS& 101, POLS& 202, POLS& 203, POLS 221, INTST 200, INTST 201
WORLD HISTORY	HIST 102, HIST 103	HIST& 126, HIST& 127, HIST& 128	HIST& 117, HIST& 118, HIST& 127	HIST 111, HIST 112	HIST& 126	HIST& 126, HIST& 127, HIST& 128	HIST& 117, HIST& 118, HIST 234, HIST 235, HIST 236
WASHINGTON STATE HISTORY	HIST& 214	HIST& 214	HIST 049, HIST& 214	HIST& 214	Not Available	HIST& 214	HIST& 214
HEALTH	HLTH 250	NUTR& 101	HLTH 100	PEHW 203	NUTR& 101	HEA 160, HEA 125	NUTR& 101
LIFE FITNESS	PE 110, PE 111, PE 112	Not Available	PE 100, PE 105, PE 162, HLTH 150	Not Available	FTNS 100	PEC 130, PEC 132, PEC 145, PEC 150, PEC 151, PEC 165	PE 134, PE 136, PE 139, PE 217, PE 236, PE 239
FINE ARTS, MATH, PE, SCIENCE	Any Fine Arts, Math, PE or Science courses level 100 or greater offered at the community college (see credit conversion information below).						
OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION	Any Business, Technology, Vocational or Family and Consumer Education course level 100 or greater (see credit conversion information below).						
NOTE: Community College courses with “&” in the course title (shown in bold) indicate courses that are equivalent at community colleges across the state. A course with this symbol that appears on this list at one college may be taken for credit at any college, as long as it also contains the equivalency symbol (&) at the college where taken.					College Credit to High School Credit Conversion		
					<u>College Credit(s)</u>		<u>High School Credit Applied to Transcript</u>
					5		1.00
					4		.80
					3		.60
2		.40					
1		.20					