# Running Start Information Session

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#### Objectives:

- What is Running Start?
- Who qualifies?
- Things to consider
- How do you apply?

#### What is Running Start?

- Take classes at a two-year college instead of at EWHS
- You can be part-time at two schools or full-time at one school
- Any two-year college in Washington State

#### What is Running Start?

- Credits count as both college credit and high school credit
- Three terms called "quarters" (Fall, Winter, Spring)
- Summer quarter is not covered by Running Start, but is allowed
- Full time at the college is 15 credits
- 5 credits = 1 year-long high school class

#### Sample Schedule: Part-Time Running Start

1st Semester EWHS	2nd Semester EWHS
IB English 11	IB English 11
Multicultural US History	Multicultural US History
Algebra 2	Algebra 2

Fall Edmonds College	Winter Edmonds College	Spring Edmonds College
Science - Physics	PE and Personal Finance	Spanish 1

#### Sample Schedule: Full-Time Running Start

1st Semester EWHS	2nd Semester EWHS
PE - Yoga	Personal Finance

Fall Edmonds College	Winter Edmonds College	Spring Edmonds College
English 101	American Government	Business Law
Pre-Calculus	Business Calculus	Psychology
Photography	French 1	French 2

### What is Running Start?

- Limited to a certain amount of "tuition-free FTE"
  - 1 class at EW = 15 college credits at a time
  - 2 classes at EW = 12 college credits at a time
  - 3 classes at EW = 10 college credits at a time
  - 4 classes at EW = 7 college credits at a time
  - 5 classes at EW = 3 college credits at a time
  - 6 classes at EW = 3 college credits at a time

### **English placement (Edmonds College example)**

- Qualifying for English 101 allows you to take most college-level courses
  - 2.5 cumulative/overall high school GPA
  - SBA, SAT, ACT, PSAT, IB scores
  - Free at-home, computer-based Accuplacer test
  - If you don't qualify for English 101, there are still some courses you can take. List available on the college website.

## Math placement (Edmonds College example)

Check Option	If your last two-semester math course was:	and you earned a grade of	and you completed that course within of today's date	your placement will be
	Algebra 2	A	1 year	MATH 97, 107
	Algebra 2	В	1 year	MATH 87
	Honors Algebra 2	A or B	1 year	MATH 107, 140, 141, 146
	Honors Algebra 2	С	1 year	MATH 97, 107, 140, 146
	Statistics	A or B	1 year	MATH 97, 107, 140, 146
	AP Statistics	A or B	1 year	MATH 107, 140, 141, 146
	Precalculus	A	1 year	MATH 107, 140, 141, 144, 146
	Precalculus	В	1 year	MATH 107, 140, 141, 146
	Honors Precalculus, IB Precalculus	A or B	1 year	MATH 151
	Honors Precalculus, IB Precalculus	С	1 year	MATH 107, 140, 141, 144, 146

#### Tuition-free?

Courses that are above 100-level are free of tuition cost. However, note that there may be course fees and book costs. Students on Free/Reduced lunch may qualify for some course fee and book cost assistance.

### Things to consider

- Running Start students are eligible for high school athletics, clubs, activities, etc.
- The college has a different calendar, with different breaks, so a part time Running Start student needs to manage the calendars of both schools.
- Students will receive an unexcused absence if the absence is due to a conflict with a college class

#### Things to consider

- Parents and counselors cannot contact college instructors or view a student's progress in a course
- Students register for their own college courses through their college online account. Students are not required to follow counselor recommendations; use Skyward to track credits.
- There is an "equivalency chart" on the college Running Start website that shows which college classes count for which high school graduation requirement areas.

### Things to consider

- Two-year colleges likely have an "Advising Center" where staff help students determine courses that will transfer to certain four-year colleges and certain majors/degrees.
- Four-year colleges may have a transfer credit webpage that shows which two-year college courses transfer, and what type of credit courses will transfer.
- Low grades in high school classes affects college admissions
- Low grades in college classes affects college GPA

## Good questions to ask before selecting college classes

- Will the format of these classes likely fit with my learning style and learning needs?
- Will these classes count for the high school credits that I need for high school graduation and college admissions?
- Will these classes transfer to four-year colleges in a way that aligns with my post-high school plan?

#### If I am interested in Running Start, what do I do next?

Step 1: Determine if you qualify for the college classes you want to take

Step 2: Enter RSA000 (full) or RSA001 (partial) in Skyward

Step 3: List only the classes you want to take at EWHS in Skyward

Step 4: Apply on the college's running start website

Step 5: Once your application is complete, email your counselor to finalize your "RSEVF" (running start enrollment verification form)

### Completing the application: First step - where do I go to apply?



#### Completing the application: Get your college Student ID number

#### APPLY TO RUNNING START PROGRAM

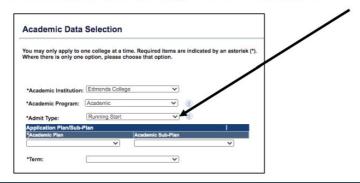
#### COMPLETE THE ONLINE APPLICATION

Go to a computer and do the following:

- Go to http://www.edmonds.edu/
- Click green "APPLY" button on the top right hand corner of the page.
- Under step 1 of the checklist, click the green "Apply" button.
- Complete and submit the application

#### REMEMBER WHEN FILLING OUT THE ONLINE APPLICATION

Be sure when asked your "Admit Type" to select "Running Start."



#### Completing the application: Confirming placement

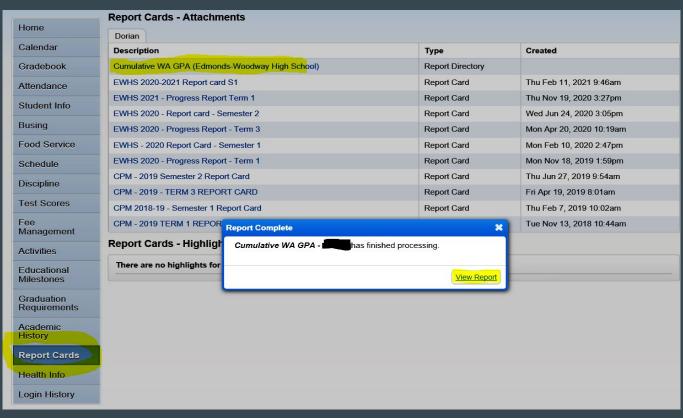
<u>STEP #2</u>: Send us documentation by email. Scan or take a screen shot of your test scores or transcripts (unofficial test scores/transcripts are acceptable). Email to <a href="mailto:runningstart@edcc.edu">runningstart@edcc.edu</a>

Option for Placement	Grade/GPA/ Test Score	Places you into
Overall High School GPA	2.5 or greater	ENGL 101
Smarter Balanced Test Score (SBAC)	3 or 4	ENGL 101
PreACT	English 18 and Reading 22	ENGL 101
ACT	22 Composite	ENGL 101
PSAT	English 26 and Reading 26	ENGL 101
SAT Evidence Based Reading/Writing	480	ENGL 101
AP English Language Composition	3 or 4	ENGL 101 or 102
IB English	4 or 5	ENGL 101 or 102

#### STEP #3. IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO USE ANY OF THE OPTIONS ABOVE TAKE THE ACCUPLACER ASSESSMENT.

**FROM HOME** you can take the Accuplacer Assessment to determine your English placement.

#### Where can you find a screenshot of your GPA?



## Completing the application: New Student Worksheet

#### **NEW STUDENT WORKSHEET**

<u>Learn About The Program</u> . I understand the Running Start Program. I watched the video about the program at <u>edcc.edu/runningstart</u> or researched the Running Start website at <u>edcc.edu/runningstart</u> or spoke with my high school counselor, or emailed or called Running Start staff `` the program.
Student ID Number. I have received my Student ID Number from the college (Step #1).  O My SID is:
$\label{eq:activate Your ctcLink Account.} I have activated myctcLink account. See tutorials at \underline{students.edmonds.edu/ctclink}.$
English Placement. I have determined my English placement (Step #2).  o My placement is:
Equivalency Guides: I understand the Equivalency Guides. To find the Equivalency guide for your high school go to <a href="edu-edu-runningstart">edu-edu-runningstart</a> . Click "Enroll." In the right margin, click "Equivalency Guides." Print out the guide for your school. Circle the college classes that you would like to register for that meet your high school graduation requirements. (For tutorial about these guides, go to <a href="https://www.edmonds.edu/highschool/runningstart/resource-library.html">https://www.edmonds.edu/highschool/runningstart/resource-library.html</a> . Under Tutorials click "Equivalency Guides.")
Searching for Classes. I have practiced searching for classes using the college online class schedule at <a href="https://students.edmonds.edu/schedule/">https://students.edmonds.edu/schedule/</a> In the table below I identified college classes I am thinking enrolling in for first quarter. (Try looking for classes you circled on the Equivalency Guide that meet a high school graduation requirement. You are not locked into taking these classes. This is just practice).

Class Number	Class (ENGL&101)	Credits	Days and Times the Class meets	Prerequisites

Registering for Classes. I understand how to register for classes online. I have reviewed the
ctcLink tutorials explaining the registration process. See tutorials at
students.edmonds.edu/ctclink.

#### Completing the application: Parent/Student Agreement

- determine which community college classes will meet School District graduation requirements (see the Running Start equivalency chart for your community college for more information).
- I must complete all grade level tasks and activities in fulfillment of the School District High School and Beyond Plan graduation requirements (at Edmonds SD this is Naviance) if I am to graduate.
- Once I complete a college class (whether passed or failed), the class and grade will appear on my high school transcript (no exceptions).
- If I take college classes that I pay for myself, in order to have the credits posted on my high school transcript I <u>must</u> send a copy of my official transcript to the high school. The college classes will be placed on my official high school transcript. Credits I pay for or earn during summer quarter will apply toward high school graduation if the credits meet an equivalency requirement.

I have read and agree to the Edmonds Community College Running Start Agreement above.

Student Signature (required)	Date:	
Parent/Guardian Signature (required)	_Date:	

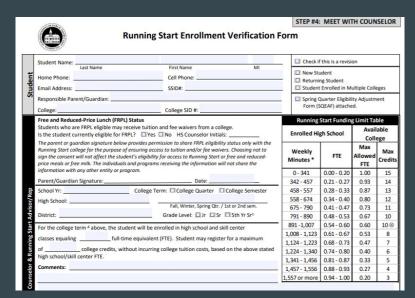
#### Completing the application: Meet with your school counselor

Complete all pages of application packet

- Show completed packet to your counselor

at your appointment

- Your counselor will sign your RSEVF
- Submit the packet and the signed form to the Running Start office
- Then your registration account will be unlocked



college classes start filling up. Send in all of your paperwork to the Running Start office well before May 24th.

May 24th is the first day that a student could register for Fall

Quarter classes (at Edmonds College). And starting that day,

Questions about the Running Start program at a particular college? Contact that college's Running Start office (contact info on the college's website, Running Start page).

Questions about how to apply for Running Start, or other questions about your class schedule for next year? Contact your high school counselor (contact info on EWHS website, Counseling page)

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