

# EARLY COLLEGE AT NEW PALESTINE HIGH SCHOOL



# The Program

Dual credit classes will be offered in conjunction with Vincennes University and credits earned will be transferable to all public Indiana state universities.

Students who are enrolled in Early College at New Palestine High School can earn an Associate's degree or up to two years of credit toward a Bachelor's degree.

Early College students will benefit from a small cohort size that will provide placement tests and tutoring.

# Early College Students are...

- Not just straight 'A' students
- Motivated to work hard in school
- Students with good discipline records
- Students with good attendance
- First Generation College Students
- Students who could use financial assistance to get started in college

# What does Early College mean for your student?

- New Palestine High School Cohort
  - Classes are taught by NPHS teachers
    - Students do not have to choose a major during high school.
      - Dual Credit Classes are prerequisites courses that will lead into any major
      - Courses can transfer throughout the state
  - Early College Students are NPHS students who...
    - Eat in the NPHS cafeteria
    - Participate in the same activities
      - sports, band, choir, clubs, etc.
    - Follow a similar schedule to other NPHS students

# What to Expect in Early College

- Increase in expectations
  - These are college courses. Classes are rigorous!
- Homework is important!
- Support
  - Students are part of a cohort.
  - Tutors in Math and English

# Advantages

- Ease the transition from high school to college
- Head Start on a College Career
- Flexibility in scheduling in College

# Advantages

## Costs

- Cost is \$25 per credit hour when taught by high school teacher
- Cost is \$75 per credit hour when taught by university adjunct
- No cost to students in free/reduced lunch program
- Miscellaneous book fees

# Advantages

## Cost of Associate's Degree (60 Credit Hours)

<b>NPHS Early College</b>	<p><b>\$25 per credit hour x 60 hours = \$1500</b> <b>Book Average \$35 per class x 20 classes = \$700</b> <b>Approximately \$2,200</b></p>
<b>IUPUI</b>	<p><b>Approximately \$16,000</b> Not Including Books</p>
<b>Purdue University</b>	<p><b>Approximately \$20,000</b> Not Including Books</p>



# AP vs. Dual Credit

- AP and Honors Courses

- Weighted classes (Top 10, Valedictorian, etc.)

- Early College Pathways

- Associates Degree - General Studies with Business Emphasis (60 Hours)
  - Adding STEM and Education soon!
- The Indiana College Core Certificate of Graduation is designed for students who are exploring program/major options in order to complete a degree. (30 Hours)
- Individual Dual Credit Opportunities

# 9th grade Schedule

- 9th grade Dual Credit Courses
  - Semester 1    SSKL 103/106 (5 Credit Hours)
  - Semester 2    COMP 110 (3 Credit Hours)
- English, Math, Science and World History
- Spanish
- 1 Elective

# Application – Check your school email

To qualify as an applicant  
Early College Program students must:

- Have a desire to complete **at least** a 30 credit certificate, if not the 60 credit degree program from Vincennes University.
- Have a minimum 2.33 GPA (C+) after 3 semesters at New Palestine Junior High School
- Have a 95% attendance rate
- Have less than 5 referrals (discipline notices) during the 8th grade year
- Understand the financial burden of taking college classes while in high school

# Timeline

- **Online Application - Early February**  
*(Specific date and application will be sent to student and parent emails of 8th graders - please check Parentsquare).*
- Mid-February - teacher surveys, data collection, and applicant interviews
- Early March - selections will be made and students will meet with counselors to select courses

# Commonly Asked Questions

- [Please click here to access a “Frequently Asked Questions” document.](#)

# Q and A Night

- January 25, 2023 at 8:00pm
- Virtual Format - join and ask questions!
- Google Meet Link:  
<https://meet.google.com/ema-xyaz-diu>
- Or join via phone -  
dial: (US) +1 317-469-9989 PIN: 883 508  
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# Thank you!

- Questions? Please let us know!

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# New Palestine Early College Program Q and A Night

**Feel free to use the chat or talk directly to us with any questions you may have!**

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