



## Early College Credit Information Sheet

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### Partner Colleges for Early College Credit:

- **University of Alabama** ([UA Early College](#))
  - [Application](#)
  - [Deadline](#) for Summer 2023 is **Monday, March 6 at 4:45 p.m.**
  - Typical [course options](#)
- **Auburn University** ([Auburn First](#))
  - [Application](#), **Deadline is March 15th** for Summer 2023
  - [Letter of Support](#) (filled out by your College Advisor)
  - Available [courses](#)

*\*Change for Auburn First applicants starting in Fall 2023: Alabama residents who successfully complete Auburn First coursework in two or more academic terms and maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA by August 15 at the beginning of their senior year are eligible for automatic admission to Auburn University*

- **University of Alabama in Birmingham** ([UAB High School Program - Dual Enrollment](#))
  - [Application](#)
  - **Priority Deadline: May 15th** for Summer 2023
- **Jefferson State Community College** ([High School Dual Enrollment Program](#))
  - [Application](#), registration begins on March 15th, **Deadline is May 23rd**
  - [Signature Page](#) (filled out by your College Advisor)
  - [Scholarships](#) for general education, career and technical, and STEM courses

### Steps of Enrollment:

**Step 1** - Choose a program (UAB, UA Early College, Auburn First, or Jeff State CC)

**Step 2** - Print out and sign the Westminster ECC Agreement form (see attached form), then return to college advisor. This form will be submitted for approval by Upper School Principal

**Step 3** - Apply to College Program (see links above)

**Step 4** - Westminster college advisors will submit all forms and the student's transcript to the college program. Wait for acceptance, then complete the college orientation program (format for each college will vary).

**Step 5** - Register for classes (each college has advisors to guide a student to the appropriate course).



## Westminster Early College Credit Agreement Form

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**Parent and students have understood and agreed that the following applies to all college courses taken while a student is enrolled at Westminster School at Oak Mountain:**

1. The ECC courses must be taken either online, in the evening, or during the summer months. No student will be permitted to check out of school to take a class during school hours.
2. The ECC course will not replace any class at Westminster.
3. ECC courses will be added to the Westminster transcript for an additional credit. The college course grade will be reflected on the transcript, but not factored into the GPA. The course will be listed on the transcript as an elective credit with the college name.
4. ECC courses are available only to 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students with approval.
5. The student must have at least a 3.0 GPA and be on track to graduate on time.
6. The student understands that they will be held to college-level standards and must successfully complete the course with a grade of 'C' or higher to have the credit added to the Westminster transcript and in order to participate in future Early College Credit programs.

The named student has permission from their parent, a Westminster College Advisor, and the Upper School Principal to take an Early College Credit class and understands the stated Westminster policies.

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**Student Signature/Date**

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**Parent Signature/Date**

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**Student's GPA**

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**College Program**

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**High School Principal Signature**

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**Date Approved**