# **Early College Endorsement**





### **Advanced College Preparation**

Early College students are able to take advantage of numerous opportunities designed to prepare students for post-secondary success. These opportunities include:

- EC students meet 4 times per week with EC Advisors
- Accelerated SAT preparation beginning in the freshmen year
- Two college visit field trips per year that will encompass public/private, big/small, and in-state/out-of-state institutions
- Priority course enrollment
- Final exam study tables
- Unique opportunities to interact with college/university representatives
- Scholarship/resume building practice

## Bellmont Early College Scholars



#### COHORT APPLICATION INFORMATION

Applications to enroll are available in the Guidance Department.

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# What is Early College High School?

What if a school could predict the future for every student that entered its doors? What if that school could provide each student with the necessary knowledge and skills to succeed in life? What if this school could discover the true potential in every one of its students? What if has now become what is. Welcome to Early Col-



Early College High Schools help to remove many of the barriers that hinder students from advancing to college. Students receive enhanced support to help them excel both academically and personally as they progress through a rigorous curriculum. Since students earn college credit while in high school, the time it takes to complete a college degree is condensed. Students and families benefit from reduced or free tuition costs. Ultimately, Early College High School turns obstacles into opportunities for student success.

### **Early College Majors**

While open to all students, the model specifically targets low-income young people, first-generation college students, 21st Century Scholars, English language learners, and students of color, all of whom are statistically underrepresented in higher education

Core Transfer Library (CTL) – A list of courses aproved by all public institutions which will transfer among all public colleges and universities, assuming adequate grades. All Core Transfer Library courses meet the general education or free elective requirements of undergraduate degree programs, and a significant majority of CTL courses also count as one-on-one equivalents to courses.

### Why Early College High School?

Bellmont Early College High School is based on the principle that academic rigor, combined with the opportunity to save time and money, is a powerful motivator for students to maximize their academic potential. Early college high schools blend high school and college in a rigorous yet supportive program. We are designed so that students can simultaneously earn a high school diploma and up to two years of college credit toward a Bachelor's degree.



#### **Dual Credit Courses Fees**

- Ivy Tech: all courses offered at Bellmont are free. Students are expected to cover the cost of textbooks for the course.
- Ball State University: online course is \$375. If a students is eligible for free/reduced lunch, the course is free.

  Textbooks are supplied through a grant from the Adams County Community

  Foundation
- IPFW: Courses are \$25 per credit hour. If a students is eligible for free/reduced lunch, the course is free.



Early College High Schools raise the level of expectations by helping students see themselves as both high school and college graduates. By aligning the high school and higher education curricula, students participate in rigorous coursework that instills in them the skills, knowledge and behaviors necessary to be successful in college. More students pursue a college degree and achieve their maximum potential. Most importantly, students set higher goals for themselves and become inspired to graduate and pursue postsecondary educa-