North Arlington Public Schools,
in partnership with
Bergen Community College and New Jersey City University,
presents



# The Early College Program







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- Created in partnership with Bergen Community College & New Jersey City University
- One-of-a-kind program open to all North Arlington students who meet the academic criteria
- Courses will be taken at BCC at the Meadowlands in Lyndhurst
- Offered completely free of charge

# Creating More Opportunities for Students



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Early College Academy Early Credit Advantage

A.S. Business Administration A.S. Criminal **Justice** 

A.A. in Liberal Arts

Earn 3-30 credits before graduation

## The Early College Academy Design

- Accepted students choose 1 of 3 tracks
  - Business Administration
  - o Criminal Justice
  - o Liberal Arts
- Mornings at NAHS
  - o English
  - o Physical Education
  - o History or Math
  - Study Hall/Electives TBD
  - o Lunch

### Afternoons at BCC

- Roundtrip transportation
- o 2 Classes per day except Fridays
- Study alongside BCC students
- Ability to fully participate in NAHS sports & activities
- o Full access to BCC campus

### The Early College Academy Benefits

- Support and guidance from NAHS and BCC staff
- Graduate high school with associate degree from Bergen Community College
- Automatic acceptance into a bachelor's degree program at NJCU as long as students meet minimum criteria
  - Student will have an added advantage of continuing on to earn a master's degree with significant incentives from New Jersey City University
- Accepted under Junior Status at most other
  - universities

## The Early College Academy NJCU Incentives

### Bachelor's

#### *Full Academic Scholarship* = \$11,000

G.P.A. at time of transfer 3.5 Must maintain a G.P.A. of 3.0 or better

#### 3/4 Academic Scholarship = \$8,000

G.P.A. at time of transfer 3.25 Must maintain a G.P.A. of 3.0 or better

#### ½ Academic Scholarship = \$6,000

G.P.A. at time of transfer 3.0 Must maintain a G.P.A. of 3.0 or better

#### Master's

Participating students will have the opportunity for streamlined acceptance into a master's degree program in either Criminal Justice, Accounting, or CAS as long as their undergraduate cumulative GPA is a 3.0 or higher, upon completion of their undergraduate coursework.

#### The following admission requirements will be waived:

A \$55 non-refundable application fee;

Standardized graduate admission exams (GMAT/GRE/MAT);

And a host of additional application materials. \*\*

\*Students will only need to submit a NJCU graduate application for processing.

\*Students will be eligible to receive scholarship opportunities such as merit-based scholarships and/or graduate assistantships (waiver of tuition with a \$3,500 stipend).

\*\* Program criteria varies depending on academic major.

## The Early College Academy Requirement Criteria

- Participate and receive valid scores on PARCC every year, beginning 2017-2018 school year
- Minimum G.P.A. of 90 at NAHS
- Fulfill BCC Testing Requirement
  - o Minimum passing score on SAT <u>or</u> Accuplacer set by BCC
- Complete Algebra II before 11<sup>th</sup> grade year
- Maintain an overall, G.P.A. of B or better with no less than a C in any course at BCC
- Maintain a clean disciplinary record
- Adhere to NABOE attendance policy

### What will a typical day look like?

### Early College Academy, Sample 11th Grade Schedule

NAHS	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday		
7:50 - 8:35am	AP Language		
8:35 - 9:15am	Study Hall/Electives TBD		
9:18 - 9:58am	AP US History		
10:01 - 10:41am	Physical Education/Health		
10:44 - 11:24am	Lunch		
BCC Fall Semester	Monday/Wednesday Fall Semester	Tuesday/Thursday Fall Semester	Friday Fall Semester
11:30 -1:04pm	General Psychology	Intro to Art	Sign Language
1:15 -2:49pm	Western Civilization	Public Speaking	

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# The Early Credit Advantage Design

- Accepted students can earn 3-30 highly transferable credits during their senior year of high school.
- Students can enroll in any class offered through the NAHS & BCC partnership
- Students will work with their school counselors to select courses that will be most beneficial for their post-secondary plan
- Roundtrip transportation will be provided by the district
- Students will have the ability to fully participate in NAHS sports & activities
- Full access to BCC campus such as tutoring services, computer labs, and dining halls

### The Early Credit Advantage Benefits

- Complete highly transferable general education requirements before graduation
- Acclimate to the college structure and rigor while still having the support of high school staff
- Engage in collegiate discourse alongside BCC students
- High school transcripts with college level courses makes you more academically attractive to colleges and universities
- Save time & money

## The Early Credit Advantage NJCU Incentives

*Completion of 15-30 credits* = \$6,000

Minimum SAT/ACT score: 1100 SAT/24 ACT or better
Minimum G.P.A. 3.0
Must maintain a G.P.A. of 3.0 or better

<u>Completion of 3-12 credits = \$3,000</u>

Minimum SAT/ACT score: 1100 SAT/24 ACT or better
Minimum G.P.A. 3.0
Must maintain a G.P.A. of 3.0 or better

\*Students must meet mutually agreed upon criteria, ex. minimum GPA

## The Early Credit Advantage Requirement Criteria

- Participate and receive valid scores on PARCC every year, beginning 2017-2018 school year
- Minimum G.P.A. of 90 at NAHS
- Fulfill BCC Testing Requirement
  - o Minimum passing score on SAT or Accuplacer set by BCC
- Complete Algebra II before 12<sup>th</sup> grade year
- Maintain an overall, G.P.A. of B or better with no less than a C in any course at BCC
- Maintain a clean disciplinary record
- Adhere to NABOE attendance policy

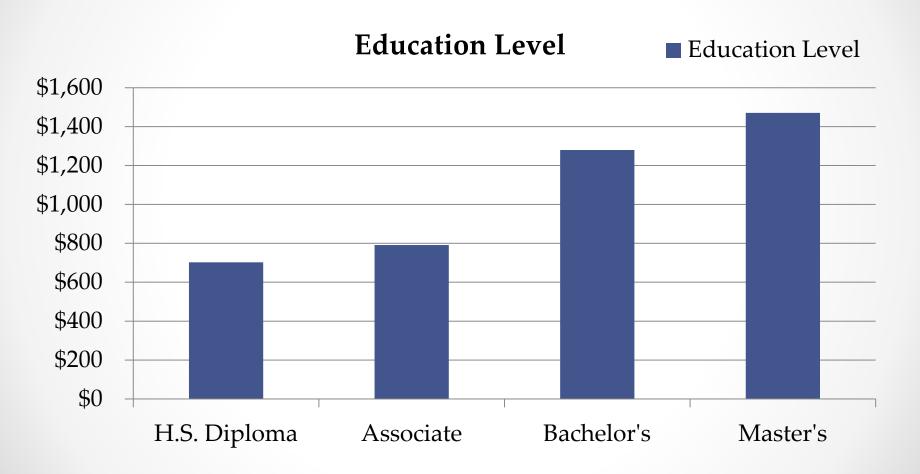
### What does the research say?



# Students who participate in Early College Programs...

- Are more likely to attain a college degree
- Have greater access to college and greater enrollment
- Have greater academic achievement in high school

# Median Weekly Earnings by Education Level in 2017



Source: <a href="https://data.bls.gov/cgi-bin/surveymost">https://data.bls.gov/cgi-bin/surveymost</a>

# The cost of college is skyrocketing

School	Tuition & Fees (per year)	Total Cost
Bergen Community College (2 years)	\$5,550	\$11,100
Rutgers, New Brunswick	\$14,372	\$57,488
Montclair State University	\$12,112	\$48,448
Seton Hall University	\$38,400	\$153,600
New Jersey City University	\$11,430	\$45,720
Fairleigh Dickinson University	\$40,241	\$160,964

<sup>•</sup> Sources: http://bergen.edu, https://rutgers.edu, http://www.montclair.edu, https://www13.shu.edu, http://www.njcu.edu, http://view2.fdu.edu

### TOTAL SAVINGS

- Associate Degree from Bergen Community College = \$11,100
- Bachelor's Degree from New Jersey City University = \$22,860
- Master's Degree from New Jersey City University = \$22,260
- TOTAL SAVINGS = \$56,220







### "We believe...that education is NOT AN EXPENSE we believe it is AN INVESTMENT"

Lyndon B. Johnson, May 22, 1964







### Thank You

Please contact Alyce Cusano, Supervisor of Guidance, at 201-991-6800 ext. 2050 with any questions.