

# **LCHS ASCENT Program**

## What is the ASCENT Program?

Accelerating Students through Concurrent Enrollment (ASCENT) is a fifth-year high school program that allows students to participate in concurrent enrollment the year after 12th grade.

LCHS ASCENT students enroll in postsecondary courses at either Front Range Community College or Aims Community College, attend classes on the campus and earn college credit at no tuition cost to them or their families.

#### How would the program benefit me?

Save money: ASCENT students earn college credit for one year without paying tuition. Guaranteed Credit Transfer: ASCENT courses are guaranteed to transfer to any public institution within the state of Colorado. However, while courses transfer, it is still important to determine if they will apply to your college degree or certificate.

1 Full year of college credit accumulation: By participating in the ASCENT program and enrolling full time in each semester, you can potentially earn one full year of college credit at no tuition cost.

### When will I graduate?

ASCENT students walk with their graduating class after their senior year, but will not receive their diploma until the end of their ASCENT year.

#### How do I qualify for ASCENT?

- Complete, or be on schedule to complete, at least 9 credit hours of transcripted, credit-bearing, college-level postsecondary coursework\* prior to completing his/her 12th grade year.
- Be under the age of 21.
- Have met LCHS graduation requirements by the end of senior year with a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0 and be college ready.
- Apply to and be accepted into a Colorado postsecondary institution that has an agreement with Liberty Common High School, either Front Range Community College or Aims Community College.
- Register with the <u>Colorado Opportunity</u> <u>Fund (COF)</u>.
- \* LCHS concurrent enrollment classes and AP test scores or 3 or higher must be transcripted to a college transcript no later than June 30th of the student's 12th grade year.

How would I apply for the program or get more information?

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ASCENT Program Frequently Asked Questions
ASCENT Program Timeline and Checklist