STARS Help Guide for Colleges that require Self-Reported Grades

Which Colleges Use the STARS in 2026?

PA Schools: Penn State, Pitt, Duquesne, Temple
Florida Schools: Florida A & M, FAU, Florida Poly, FSU, New College, U of F, U of N, S, and W Florida
Other Colleges: Baylor, Clemson, NYU, Ohio State, Kean, LSU, Rutgers, Texas A&M, VA Tech, U of Buffalo, U Conn, U Delaware, U Connecticut, U Delaware, U Mass, U Minnesota, UNH, U Oregon, U Rhode Island, U Tennessee, U Texas

Directions:

1) Go to the official STARS website at: https://srar.selfreportedtranscript.com/Login.aspx

2) Log in if you have previously made an account in CCT. If not, create an account using the same email address as your college applications.

3) Get your transcript and schedule and/or grade report from Powerschool. If given the option, you can upload your unofficial transcript. If you have to enter the courses manually, course names must mirror the transcript exactly—including abbreviations, symbols (e.g., "&" vs. "and"), and spelling.

4) List all high schools attended, enter ALL courses (including gyms) and associated levels and grades.

5) Add your colleges on the 'Home' page, under your ***My Colleges and Universities*.** If the school is not listed, it likely means you have to apply first through the common app and then connect when you get the email from the college. Not all colleges (e.g., Penn State) appear in the STARS dropdown menu.

Conestoga Specific Tips for filling out the SRAR

- For classes graded with O,S,U, you can enter "Pass" as the grade and "Standard" for non-leveled electives.
- You do NOT need to list middle school courses.
- Any TCHS programs are considered Standard level.
- Dual enrollment courses can be listed as taken in our high school, you do not need to add the college. (This includes Allied Health.)
- Alg 2 BC, Analysis BC, and Multivariable Calc should be listed as "High Honors". All other levels should match your transcript (Academic, Accelerated, Honors, and AP).

Other Helpful Hints

- Accuracy matters. STARS submissions are digitally matched against the official year-end transcript. Entries must be truthful and exact.
- Check scanned uploads carefully. If you are scanning a transcript instead of entering information manually, ensure the copy is clear and review all entries before submission.
- Check on all of your STARS-college applications and be sure that you've linked every application with your STARS. Be sure to follow each college's protocol.

Please make a note that your application is NOT complete until you fill out and submit the STARS.