Kalamazoo County Early/Middle College – 2027-2028 Steps for Participation

Student completes online Early/Middle College (EMC) Application by **March 5, 2027.**

- The EMC application can be found at https://kresa.tfaforms.net/f/EMCApplication. It will be open from December 1 until March 5, 2027.
- The student's counselor and teachers will receive emails to complete recommendations for the student after the student submits the application.
- The CTE application can be completed within the EMC application process. The CTE application deadlines vary by school.
- All the EMC programs of study start with a related CTE course in 11th grade, followed by college courses in 12th and 13th grade/5th year.

Student completes online Kalamazoo Valley Community College (KVCC) Application by **March 12, 2027.**

- The KVCC application can be found at www.kvcc.edu/apply. Follow the online directions to create an account and apply.
- Indicate you are a current high school student. Indicate your graduation year of 2030 (which is adjusted by 1 year for EMC). Choose the program of study that most closely aligns with your EMC program and CTE course. Your program of study can be changed later if needed after discussion about your career goals.
- The application includes a math, writing and reading questionnaire that is used for course recommendations.
- Once the application has been submitted the student will receive an acceptance email.

Student uploads KVCC Acceptance Letter by **March 26, 2027.**

- Students will receive a letter in the mail from KVCC within a week of submitting the application with a KVCC Valley number, email, and information on setting up their MyValley account.
- Students will use their personal link that was emailed after submitting their EMC application to upload their KVCC Acceptance letter.

Student sets up their KVCC MyValley account & uploads KVCC course recommendations by **March 26, 2027.**

- Students use the New Account Code (NAC) in their KVCC letter to set up their MyValley account and KVCC email. Students will set up MFA (multi-factor authentication) as part of this process. Students should save their MyValley password for future use. Here is a link to more information: https://www.kvcc.edu/services/create-myvalley.php
- After creating the account and getting into MyValley, students will use their personal link that was emailed after submitting their EMC application to upload their KVCC course recommendations. Here is the information for where to access your course recommendations: KVCC Course Recommendations Info.

Student completes KVCC Placement Testing (if required) and uploads printout of scores by **April 2, 2027.**

- The Accuplacer placement test is only required if students have one of the following:
  - Below a 3.0 overall HS GPA (weighted or unweighted) **OR**
  - Grades of C or below in high school English on your official high school transcript
- If students have a 3.0 overall high school GPA and all grades in high school English are A or B on their transcript, they DO NOT need to complete the Accuplacer assessment. EMC staff will review your high school transcript that is submitted by your Counselor to confirm this information.
- If students are required to complete the Accuplacer assessment, students take the Reading and Writing sections only. Math is not required at this time. The Math test will be taken later.

- There are no time limits on the tests, so students can focus on doing their best. Plan to test on a day where you feel well rested and have time to complete the test without rushing. The test takes approximately 2 hours to complete. It is computer based and you will complete it using a computer mouse, screen, and keyboard.
- Students may be able to access the placement testing in their high school. Talk with your high school counseling office to see if this is available in your building.
- Placement testing is available at KVCC in the testing centers. No appointment is needed. Testing is done on a walk-in basis. You can find the hours and additional information at www.kvcc.edu/services/testing/placement.php.
  Texas Township Campus - Room 2350, 488-4235, testcenter@kvcc.edu.
  Arcadia Commons Campus - Anna Whitten Hall Room 211, 373-7836, acctestingcenter@kvcc.edu.
  - Students who take the test at KVCC will need to bring the following to the session:
    - Valley ID number (will receive this on your KVCC acceptance letter that comes in the mail)
    - Picture ID (driver's license, school ID, or passport)
  - Be sure to identify yourself as a KRESA Early Middle College applicant and that you need to take the Reading and Writing sections only.
  - After you take the assessment, be sure to collect your score printouts before you leave the Testing Center.
- We encourage students to review practice questions beforehand to learn the format of the questions. Accuplacer information and test taking study guides are available online at:
  - https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/student/practice
  - KVCC uses the Next-Generation Accuplacer placement exam.
- Students will use their personal link that was emailed after submitting their EMC application to upload their KVCC placement test scores.
- EMC staff will help you to interpret the scores and discuss next steps.

Student will be notified of their EMC application status by mid **April 2027.**

- EMC and local district staff determine if students qualify to be in the Early/Middle College based on their successful completion of high school graduation requirements and college readiness.

Student meets with Counselor to discuss EMC plans and create tentative schedule by the end of **April 2027.**

- Students should be enrolled in the CTE class related to their EMC Program of Study.
- Students should work with their Counselor to plan out Michigan Merit Curriculum graduation requirements needed for the next school year and put in their related CTE class.

Student and parents/guardians attend an EMC Orientation on **May 25, 2027 from 6-8pm.**

- **This is a required event for EMC students and parent/guardians.**

Student attends the EMC Kickoff event in the summer – **Date is TBD.**

This is a required event for new EMC students only, not parents. The date is being determined and will be shared with accepted EMC students. More details will be provided prior to the event.

- Students will meet their EMC Coach, get to know students from other schools in their EMC cohort, hear tips for success in the program, and lots more.

Student begins CTE classes on **August 31, 2027.**