



Montgomery County Public Schools

Collegiate Options

An MCPS and Montgomery College (MC) Partnership provides students with a variety of dual enrollment opportunities that enable college-ready high school students to enroll in both MCPS and Montgomery College.

Dual enrollment allows students to save time and money in their pursuit of an associate and/or bachelor's degree, while also earning high school credit for the college courses successfully completed towards their state high school diploma.

Students may take MC courses online, on the college campus and at select MCPS high schools. MCPS and MC work collaboratively to ensure students have a variety of options that help them meet their educational and career goals.



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■ Early College

Students take all college courses on the Montgomery College Germantown, Rockville or Takoma Park/Silver Spring campus during Grades 11 and 12. Students graduate with a high school diploma and an associate degree. Students apply in Grade 10 and must meet college requirements (e.g. GPA, assessment scores, courses grades, etc.) that vary by degree program chosen. Eleven degree options are offered. The textbooks and tuition cost for required courses are covered. College fees are covered for students who qualify for financial aid.

■ Pathways in Network and Information Technology

Students earn an MCPS high school diploma, network information industry certification and an Associate of Applied Science degree through a combination of high school and college courses. Students complete a 6-week internship and industry mentors support their progress. This program is offered at Clarksburg High School and is open to interested students whose home school is Clarksburg, as well as students from Damascus, Seneca Valley and Watkins Mill through a lottery. Students apply in Grade 8. The textbooks, tuition and college fees for required courses are covered.

■ Montgomery College Middle College (MC²)

Students earn college credits through AP courses and corresponding test scores, College-Level Examination Program examinations, and/or MC courses. Students are supported through a progressive transition from a traditional high school experience to a college-like experience on the high school campus, to coursework on the college campus. This program is offered at Northwest and Northwood high schools. Northwest's program

offers a general engineering and a general studies degree from MC and is open to interested students whose home school is Northwest, as well as students from Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley and Watkins Mill through a lottery process. Northwood's program offers a general studies degree from MC and is open to students whose home school is Northwood, as well as students from Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Churchill, Downcounty Consortium (DCC), Northeast Consortium, Walter Johnson, Richard Montgomery, Rockville, Sherwood, Walt Whitman and Wootton through a lottery process. Students apply in Grade 8. Tuition is free for the first four courses for students who qualify for financial aid. Tuition cost for additional courses is approximately \$355* per three-credit course. College fees, and additional course related cost may be fully covered for students who qualify for MC's high school grant. Students must pay for textbooks.

■ Jump Start to College

JumpStart is designed to help students complete as many college courses as able while they earn their high school diploma. This option is available to all MCPS high school students. Tuition is free for first four courses for students who qualify for financial aid. Tuition cost for additional courses is approximately \$355* per three-credit course. College fees, and additional course related cost may be fully covered for students who qualify for MC's high school grant. Students must pay for textbooks.

**Cost of course tuition, college fees (e.g. facility fee, technology fee) and textbooks are determined by MC and vary by course, section, and professor. Exact cost to parents will be shared by MC and may vary each year. Costs noted above are average costs based on 2019 data.*

FOR MORE INFORMATION about dual-enrollment opportunities speak to your high school counselor, Dual Enrollment Program Assistant, or scan this QR code:

■ <https://montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/partnerships/dual-enrollment.aspx>

