



Jumpstart to College for High School Students

MC MONTGOMERY
COLLEGE



HELLO FUTURE MC STUDENTS!!



WHY IS
MONTGOMERY
COLLEGE
THE PLACE
FOR YOU?

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WHAT IS DUAL ENROLLMENT?

- Dual Enrollment is an MC academic initiative that allows qualified high school students to be admitted and enrolled at Montgomery College, taking credit courses while earning their high school diploma.
- Students are registered for standard college courses taught by Montgomery College professors.
- Students may take advantage of individual ***College and career credit opportunities*** or apply for a ***diploma+degree program***.
- DE is not a high school program, it is a college program for high school students.





Dual Enrollment at MC

Individual Credit Opportunities

Jumpstart to College

On Campus, Online and
HS Sites

Diploma+Degree Opportunities

Early College Program

College campus based

Middle College Programs:

-School Based Middle College (MC²)

At Northwest and Northwood High Schools

-Pathways In Network and Information
Technology (P-TECH) at Clarksburg High School

-Virtual Middle College Program (VMC)

All MCPS High Schools (MC courses ENTIRELY
online/virtual)

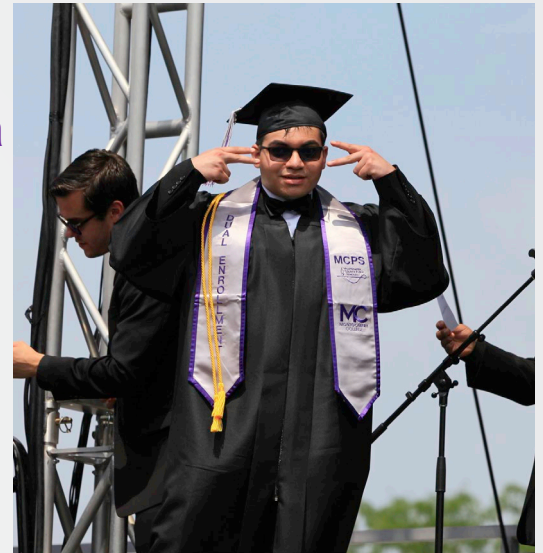
About the Virtual Middle College Program

- VMC students will simultaneously earn a HS Diploma and College Degree by taking a combination of HS and college courses to complete.
- Will stay at their home high school and may participate in regular high school activities
- All college courses will be offered online via distance learning (asynchronous) or structured remote learning (synchronous) delivery.
- Students will be admitted into one of the College's online degree programs.
- Any Montgomery County Public School student may participate.
- Students are admitted in 8th Grade



What is Early College at MC?

- 2-year college degree program for HS Juniors where students will complete an associate's degree and attain their high school diploma concurrently.
- Students are fully admitted and enrolled at MC receiving a high-quality, nationally recognized academic experience.
- Students will be enrolled full-time at MC taking college courses on an MC campus during their junior and senior year of high school.
- Students DO NOT attend their home high school but will complete their MCPS requirements through MC.
- Students will receive academic advising and support to assist in their college completion goals.
- Students will have access to and be encouraged to participate in academic experiential learning opportunities outside of the classroom.



Early College Degree Options?

Associate of Arts(AA)/Associate of Science(AS)/Associate of Applied Science(AAS)

- AA Business
- AAS Behavioral Health
- AS Biological Science
- AAS Biotechnology
- AS Chemistry and Biochemistry
- AAS Cloud Computing and Networking
- AA Computer Science and Technologies
- AAS Cybersecurity
- AS Data Science
- AAS Diagnostic Medical Sonography
- AAT Elementary/Special Education
- AS Engineering (General)
- AAS Physical Therapist Assistant
- AAS Radiologic (X-Ray) Technology
- AAS Surgical Technology
- AS Mathematics
- AS Nursing

Infor Sessions and Interest Form Deadline for VMC or EC Only

- ***MCPS Interest Form is due by the November 4th deadline.*** Application link will also be on the MC or MCPS Dual Enrollment webpage.
- CURRENT 8th GRADE STUDENTS:
 - Virtual Middle College Presentations on October 20th and October 25th at 7pm via ZOOM
- CURRENT 10th GRADE STUDENTS:
 - Early College Presentation on October 26th at Germantown Campus (space is limited)
- Register for these sessions on our website

Why Jumpstart with MC?

- Academic challenge beyond AP/IB opportunities
- Graduate from high school with earned college credit
- Save money on college expense
- Enhances college admissions profile
- Gain confidence by learning in a collegiate environment
- All courses apply toward MC degree – or transfer credits to college of your choice



What Can I Do with the Credits Earned?

- College credits earned may-
 - Be used towards an associate's degree or certificate at MC.
 - Also transfer to four-year colleges and universities. ("Google" *ARTSYS Maryland*).
 - Apply to both high school diploma requirements and college graduation requisites if they are pre-approved by MCPS.

College Course Options



- Take an in-person class at any MC campus
- Enroll in Distance Learning (asynchronous) or Structured Remote (synchronous) course through Blackboard
- Enroll in a hybrid course with both in-person and online learning format



MC Course Structure

- Offers fall and spring courses with seven-, 13- or 15-weeks in length
- Generally meets 2 – 3 times a week
- Course taught by MC faculty
- College curriculum often includes online component
- Final grade appears on college transcript



EARNING DUAL CREDIT AT MCPS

- MCPS students can earn high school credit by successfully completing MCPS approved college courses. Not all MC courses meet the requirements for high school credit.
- Students may refuse the corresponding high school credit at the time of enrollment into the college course.
- The grade earned in the college course will appear on the student's high school transcript.
- Grades earned in college courses for dual credit will be calculated into the high school Weighted GPA as an advanced level course, just as AP/IB high school courses are.
- If students fail or withdraw from a college course it will impact their college transcript and may impact their financial aid award after high school.



APPROVED DUAL CREDIT COURSES

- MC Courses are pre-approved for specific high school credit.
- A list of approved courses and the corresponding high school credit can be found on the MCPS Dual Enrollment webpage.
- Students may earn subject graduation credit (English, Math, etc.) or elective credit as stated on the approved list.
- Students will receive one (1) full high school credit for successful completion of a MCPS approved 3 or more credit college-level course.

MC Credit and HS Dual Credit



- To decide whether you should also receive high school credit, ask:
 - Do I need this MC course to graduate from high school?
 - How will the grade change my HS GPA?
 - MC courses are calculated at the same level as AP classes.
 - Will the 4-year institution accept the MC credit if it has been awarded HS credit? You may have to contact those schools to find out.

SAMPLE OF COLLEGE COURSE SUBJECTS TAKEN BY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS.



ANTHROPOLOGY	BUSINESS	ENGINEERING	MUSIC	PSYCHOLOGY
ART	CRIMINAL JUSTICE	ENGLISH	EDUCATION	SOCIOLOGY
NETWORKING	COMMUNICATIONS	COMPUTER SCIENCE	PHILOSOPHY	MULTIVARIABLE CALCULUS
BIOLOGY	CHEMISTRY	HISTORY	POLITICAL SCIENCE	STUDENT SUCCESS
PHYSICS	COMPUTER GRAPHICS	MANAGEMENT	WORLD LANGUAGES	TELEVISION, FILM AND RADIO



Jump Start to College Pathway

- The *Jump Start to College* pathways are an opportunity for high school students to earn up to 30 or more college credits using dual enrollment opportunities to meet high school graduation requirements and begin their journey toward success in college and beyond.
- The *Jump Start to College* pathways may be tailored to meet various degree and transfer programs as appropriate.
- Students may take more or fewer courses than illustrated in the sample on the next slide depending on the student's preference and future career and postsecondary goals.



Transferring College Credits To Other Institutions

- The transfer of college credits is at the sole discretion of the receiving college or university and not MC or MCPS.
- MCPS approved college courses provide transfer credit within the University System of Maryland and specifically UMCP (“Google” *ARTSYS Maryland*).
- Parents/students should research the transferability of college credits to institutions outside of the University System of Maryland or to private colleges or universities.

Students Are Not Alone

- Professors' office hours, e-mails, etc.
- Each student has a Dual Enrollment Coordinator
- Students may still reach out to their MCPS DEPA or HS counselor
- Embedded coaches in Math, English, and Science courses
 - additional instructor who provides extra support to students by hold weekly coaching sessions
- Academic Regulations and Standards provide rights and responsibilities for students
 - Disputing a grade
 - Faculty complaints
 - Harassment/bullying
- One-on-one tutoring for Math, science, writing
 - no additional cost
 - in person and virtual
- Campus libraries
 - online MC- accessible 24/7 and students may chat with a live librarian



ATPA Academic Coaches

Collegewide Academic Support Services



- College Professors/Advisors/Chairs
- Learning Centers
 - Writing, Reading, World Languages
 - Math
 - Science
 - Business
 - Health Sciences
 - Humanities/Social Sciences
- Libraries
- Virtual Campus/ELITE
- Disability Support Services
- Achieving the Promise Academy
 - Academic Coaching and Embedded Support

Maintaining Good Standing in Program

- Students **must earn grades of “C” or higher in their college classes in order to maintain eligibility to remain in the program.** Grades of “C” or better are crucial as this may affect transferability of credits, students' ability to receive future federal financial aid and satisfying prerequisites for future college classes.
- Students must also perform and behave according to college standards.
- Students may be required to appeal their academic standing to continue in the program.
- MCPS and parents (with release) will be notified of any academic or behavioral concerns.

MC Student Code of Conduct

- Academic conduct that reflects the highest level of honesty and integrity.
- Actions that are civil, courteous and respectful of all members of the college community, their property, and the property of the College and that of the larger community.
- Social behavior that encourages responsibility and discourages the unlawful use of alcohol, illicit drugs and weapons.
- Group behavior that promotes its members' mutual respect, equality and safety, and opposes those acts that harass, disrupt, intimidate or haze.



Transportation

MC students can use **Montgomery County Ride On bus service** with their student photo ID and current term registration sticker as well as having access to the **MC inter-campus shuttle system**.

MCPS does not provide bus service.



Student ID Card Information

MC students should obtain a regular College ID and keep it with them while they are on campus

FERPA and Parent Access to Education Records and Progress

- Your primary line of communication with the college is through the Early College Office
- Faculty, staff and administrators (outside of EC office) will only communicate with the student even with a release form.
- Early College Coordinators work with HS counselors
- Parents can get access to student's course grades through the student's BLACKBOARD or MyMC records
- FERPA Release to talk to Parents
 - Allows Dual Enrollment office to communicate regarding all academic matters
- PHOTO Release allows MC/MCPS to use images on website, social media and publications

Life at MC

As a fully admitted college student, you are eligible for all MC privileges

- College ID
- Ride-On bus access (24/7)
- Library access
- Cafeteria
- Disability Support Services
- Free learning labs & tutoring centers
- Over 130 student clubs and more.....



Jumpstart Admission Criteria

- Unweighted GPA of 2.50 for seniors
 - 2.75 unweighted GPA for juniors and younger.
- Qualifying test scores (SAT, ACT, ALEKS, etc.).
- Certain courses require AP score or additional assessment.
- Approvals are needed each term from a parent, HS staff and MC representatives.

Enrollment Season

- **October – January** – enrollment for spring term
- **March – June** – Enrollment for summer I & II terms
- **April – August** – Enrollment for fall term
- Student must be enrolled before class begins – no late registration is allowed



Disability Support Services

- Students must request services through MC's Disability Support Services (DSS).
- **Have an IEP or 504 Plan?**
- Accommodations may differ from those offered through high school.
- MC professors provide accommodations only to students who produce an Accommodations Letter from MC DSS.

What is Next?

- Inform your high school counselor or Dual Enrollment Program Assistant
- Discuss with your parents/guardians
- Complete Dual Enrollment Admissions and Registration Procedures (steps 1-6).
- Additional materials:
 - High School will provide the transcript
 - Submit SAT, ACT, and AP scores, if available
 - Complete assessments at MC as needed

Which Course Should You Take?

Most Jumpstart students take courses that fulfill the college general education requirements.

- High school students are not allowed to take developmental courses.

High school students have holds to prevent them from changing their college courses. All adds and drops are handled by MC Jumpstart staff.



How Much Does it Cost?

- Currently Tuition is covered by MC and MCPS (College fees are still Due)
- Next Year, college courses will be at NO COST to students
 - Tuition, Fees and Textbooks



A Great Place To Be

- MC opened its first campus in Takoma Park in 1946.
- Today it offers over 100 areas of study.
- Over 55,000 students from about 160 countries enroll at MC annually.
- MC consistently receives high ranking and national recognition.
- Small student to faculty ratio – 17:1
- MC students transfer to four-year institutions across the U.S. and beyond.

Did You Know?

- ✦ *Over 80% of MCPS dually enrolled students earned a B or better in their college course.*
- ✦ *More than half of dually enrolled MCPS students took more than one course*
- ✦ *Over 40% of MCPS students maintain a 4.00 college GPA*



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