

FAQs

Q: What is dual enrollment?

A: The Early College Program is a dual enrollment program. Each college level course taken will count for college credit as well as high school credit. The student receives credit for the course on both transcripts. The courses are taken during the time frame of the normal school day.

Q: If you have received your TTC e-mail address does that mean you are fully registered?

A: It means you have been fully admitted to TC and are ready for registration. Registration is handled by the Dual Enrollment office and ECP administration.

Q: How do we know if the dual enrollment application is complete or if additional documents are needed?

A: TTC will notify your ECP counselor if additional information is needed. Once your application has been fully processed, you will receive an acceptance e-mail confirmation your admission to TTC.

Q: What should we submit for the proof of residency document?

A: This is not currently a required document, so you can disregard. Students who indicate on their application that they and their parent/guardian have lived in SC for less than 1 year will be contacted directly by the Dual Enrollment office at TTC and will be asked to submit a residency appeal.

Q: After our application is complete, when do we receive our D2L username and password?

A: Once the Dual Enrollment office at TTC has fully processed your application, you will receive an acceptance e-mail with this information included.

Q: How will my student's courses be chosen?

A: The first two years of the ECP are structured for students. Once your child is ready to select which degree track (Associate of Art or Science) they will take, the student will have the ability to make course choices that fulfill his/her program requirements. This will be done with their ECP counselor during their IGP.

Q: Where will my child attend his/her Early College Program classes?

A: Students take summer classes and classes during their 10th and 11th grade years at their home school campus. During their 12th grade year, students will attend classes at Trident Technical College.

Q: Will my student take classes with only Early College Program students or will they participate with adult students as well?

A: During their 10th and 11th grade years students are a cohort that takes classes on their home high school campus. During their 12th grade year students do attend class at Trident Technical College and will be in classes with adult students.

Q: How does my child register for college courses at Trident Technical College?

A: Your child's Early College Program counselor will manage registering students for the college courses they need.

Q: What foreign language course options does my student have to meet the language requirement in the Early College Program? **A**: Early College Program students are required to take Spanish as their foreign language requirement. If they are interested in pursuing another language along with Spanish, there will be room in their high school course load to take those language classes. This can be discussed with your Early College Program counselor during your IGP.

Q: Why does my child have to take Early College Program courses each summer?

A: Students must utilize the summer semesters in order meet the requirements of an Associate of Art or an Associate of Science degree in the time allotted between their sophomore and senior years of high school.

Q: Does Dorchester District Two provide transportation for Early College Program students to attend courses in the summer? **A**: The district does not provide transportation for summer courses or transportation to courses taken at Trident Technical College. The student must make transportation arrangements on their own.

Q: If my child is sick and cannot attend a college course will a medical excuse be allowed?

A: Your child is responsible for communicating with his/her professor regarding attendance policies for college courses.

Q: Will all my child's grades be accessible through Power School?

A: Grades for college courses are not available in Power School. Students will access grades for Trident Technical College through their D2L platform.

Q: If my child is enrolled in the Early College Program can he/she still participate in extracurricular activities?

A: During the school year students will be able to participate in extracurricular activities, but it requires good time management skills. Summer courses can interfere with certain sports. Sports can be discussed with your child's coach to determine if participation is still feasible.

Q: Do AP credits earned at the high school transfer to TTC?

A: Yes. To see which AP credits are transferable to TTC, visit our website:

https://www.tridenttech.edu/_files/pdf/AP_Equivalents.pdf

Q: Does enrollment in the Early College Program disqualify my child from any grants or funding for continued education?

A: The Early College Program does not disqualify your child from any future grants or funding when your child enters another college.

Q: If my child transfers to another school are their courses transferable?

A: If a student transfers schools within the district they will be able to remain part of the ECP and transfer their courses to the new school. If the student leaves the district, they are no longer part of the ECP and will not be able to be enrolled in DD2 ECP courses. However, any credits earned in the ECP remain a part of the student's official college transcript no matter where the student is enrolled in school.

Q: Are pre-selected ECP courses likely to transfer to other universities?

A: Most courses are likely to transfer, however you need to contact the school you are interested in attending regarding their transfer policies. It can vary by school. Most colleges list course transfer information on their websites.