

BELLINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL College Credit in High School

	COLLEGE IN THE HIGH SCHOOL	RUNNING START	ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAM	TECH PREP
Description	A program that allows qualified high school students to take college-level courses within their school and earn both high school and college credit.	A program that allows qualified high school juniors and seniors to attend college classes and earn both high school and college credit.	Identified courses that prepare high school students to take advanced placement tests, allowing advanced placement and/or credit at the postsecondary level.	A program enabling students to remain in high school and begin a vocational/technical program that leads to a two-year degree or certificate program.
Location	Student attends class at the high school campus with their peers	Student attends class on college campus and becomes a college student, with no parent communication re: grades, attendance, etc.	Student attends high school AP class at the high school campus with their peers	Student attends class at the high school campus with their peers
Advantage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remain in high school Accelerated class Earn both high school and college credit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accelerated class Earn both high school and college credit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remain in high school Accelerated class Advanced placement and/or college credit granted based on test score 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remain in high school Prepare for vocational/technical career Earn both high school and college credit College credit at little or no cost
Instructors	High school teacher possesses the same academic credentials as college instructor	College class taught by college instructor	High school teacher possesses credentials to teach AP class	High school teacher possesses credentials to teach Tech Prep class
Transcripts	Class is transcribed as a college class	Class is transcribed as a college class	Class appears on the high school transcript	Class is transcribed as a college class
Do credits transfer to a college or university?	Since all classes in the program are on the "AAS Direct Transfer A" list, WA 4-year public colleges will accept the credits	Any class appearing on the "AAS Direct Transfer A" list will be accepted by all WA 4-year public colleges	Each community college and university has its own policy for the acceptance of AP credits	15 credits can be transferred. Students should be aware of future transfer issues with the college/university of their choice and any additional financial aid impacts.
Student Costs	Tuition fees, varies depending on college	Tuition waived, student pays lab fees, textbooks and transportation.	Test Fee may apply	Lab or materials fees are not charged. One-time credit fee of \$25
Student Responsibilities	Meet college course standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determine transferability of college credits Ensure credits apply to high school graduation Must meet application/registration deadlines 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apply for testing Meet high academic standards 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enroll in Tech Prep designated classes Earn a "B" or better in the course
Class Selection	Limited to what the high school offers through the program	Large variety of class options	Limited to what the high school offers	Limited to what the high school offers