What is ECAP?

The Early College Access Program (ECAP) allows eligible Anne Arundel County Public School (AACPS) students to take approved AACC courses while still in high school. This is known as dual enrollment. You can earn college credit and the tuition, fees and course materials will be at no cost to you.

ECAP is designed to allow you to explore college-level coursework in a variety of academic areas that align with a college degree. It also includes opportunities if you are interested in a noncredit career certificate or license program.

It's a great opportunity to invest in your future and get a jumpstart on your degree, certificate or career!



"In college classes you're treated as an adult—which I thought was really cool. I became more self-reliant, learned to communicate with professors, and developed leadership skills. ECAP will give you the chance to see what the world outside of high school is like, with a much wider variety of people. And, if you're not sure of what you'd like to study in college, you can use ECAP as an opportunity to explore!"

- Sparsh Verma,
AACPS ECAP Alumna



Talk to your school counselor or see details at



www.aacps.org/ecap





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Who is Eligible?

AACPS students in the 11th or 12th grade designated College and Career Ready (CCR) may take a maximum of four college courses per academic year (Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters).

AACPS students in the 11th or 12th grade, not designated as CCR, with a minimum cumulative unweighted high school GPA of 3.0, may take a maximum of one college course per semester (Fall and Spring/Summer).

AACPS students in the 11th or 12th grade with a minimum cumulative unweighted high school GPA of 2.0 may take the AACC college courses designated in their high school's Signature pathway.



See your school counselor to confirm eligibility and discuss course options!

Ready to Get Started?

Head to our website for a comprehensive guide on funding request procedures and to see our extensive dual enrollment course catalog for the year.

Steps to Complete the ECAP Process:

- 1. Complete the online Anne Arundel Community College application.
- 2. Select a course from the AACPS approved list. Visit AACC's course search to find times/ days that work with your school schedule.
- 3. Complete the Early College Access (ECAP) Funding Request Form. This request will automatically be sent to your parent/guardian, your counselor, and principalvia email for approval.
- 4. Register for AACC classes online through MyAACC.





Dual Enrollment Benefits

- Earn college credits for free!
- Discover your passion
- Increase your competitive edge
- Develop college study skills
- Enjoy the full benefits of being an AACC Riverhawk including:
 - Tutoring
 - Research Assistance
 - Technology Lab
 - Gym Access
 - And more!