

Participation in the Austin Community College ECS program includes the following:

1. To be eligible for enrollment as an Early College Start (ECS) student, you must have completed the sophomore year of high school and demonstrate college readiness for the ACC courses you wish to enroll.
2. To be eligible for a tuition voucher, you must currently be enrolled in a high school, reside in the ACC service area, and be able to show documentation, if requested by ACC. Per course fees may apply. Review payment information carefully during web or phone registration. ECS students who reside outside of the ACC service
3. If you do not consent for ACC to report college records to high school officials, you must provide an official ACC transcript to your high school to transfer grades. Other student information, such as test scores, withdrawals, and attendance must be reported directly by you as required by your high school if you do not consent.
4. You must meet all academic skills and college course prerequisites applicable to the course(s) for which you enroll. ACC reserves the right to withdraw a student who does not meet requirements.
5. You own your college academic records. Even if you are a minor, your academic records may not be released to your parent or guardian without your consent, under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
6. College course content and ACC expectations of students are not modified in any way to accommodate a student under age 18.
7. The decision to use any ACC course for high school graduation requirements rests with the high school, per the policies of the independent school district.
8. Beginning fall 2011, ECS students will be limited to a total of 12 ACC course tuition and fee waivers. Any course taken once the 12 course limit is reached will be assessed regular tuition and fees based on the student's residency.
9. Schedule changes can be made during the designated add/drop period for each semester. Classes dropped **after** the add/drop period has ended will count as 1 of the 2 ECS course limit *and* tuition waiver for the semester.
10. ACC reserves the right to modify its programs, policies, or procedures as needed without prior notice.

PROCESS FOR STUDENT ENROLLMENT IN EARLY COLLEGE START

Enrollment in college is a multi-step process, involving several ACC departments. Planning ahead and allowing plenty of time to meet deadlines will benefit you.

NEW STUDENTS

Here are the new student enrollment steps for ECS students:

1. **Application and Residency Information form.** Complete the online admission application at www.austincc.edu/apply and print and keep the residency information form.
2. **ACC 101 (Pre-advising) and High School Transcript.** Complete ACC101 online at www.austincc.edu/acc101 print the ACC Advising Checklist and obtain a high school transcript from high school counselor or Registrar.
3. **College Readiness Testing.** Visit with high school counselor to determine if testing is required. If needed, obtain the Application for a COMPASS Fee Waiver/Ticket from high school counselor and schedule for COMPASS testing.
4. **Academic Advising.** Complete academic advising with an ACC academic advisor, counselor, or ECS specialist. Submit ECS form, Residency Information form, high school transcript, test scores, and financial need documentation (if requesting out-of-district tuition waiver) to ACC campus Admissions & Records Office before registering for classes. Keep the last copy of the ECS Form for your records.
5. **Registration.** Register for ACC classes online using ACC online services. **SUBMITTING FORMS TO AN ACC ADVISOR OR ADMISSIONS OFFICE DOES NOT REGISTER YOU FOR CLASSES.**
6. **Payment.** Pay for classes by payment deadline when fees are assessed. Review payment information and deadlines online or contact the Cashier's Office at 223-CASH.

CURRENT/FORMER STUDENTS

Here are the returning student enrollment steps for ECS students:

1. **Academic Advising.** Complete academic advising with an ACC academic advisor, counselor, or ECS specialist. Submit ECS form, test scores, and financial need documentation (if requesting out-of-district tuition waiver) to ACC campus Admissions & Records Office before registering for classes. Keep the last copy of the ECS Form for your records.
2. **Registration.** Register for ACC classes online using ACC online services. **SUBMITTING FORMS TO AN ACC ADVISOR OR ADMISSIONS OFFICE DOES NOT REGISTER YOU FOR CLASSES.**
3. **Payment.** Pay for classes by payment deadline when fees are assessed. Review payment information and deadlines online or contact the Cashier's Office at 223-CASH.

Need more information?
Visit the ECS website at www.austincc.edu/ecs
or call (512) 223-7355