

# Starting Early



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Oklahoma higher education provides opportunities for students to get a head start on college by earning college credit while they are still in high school. These programs give high school students the chance to try college-level work and, in turn, increase their subject matter knowledge, gain valuable skills, improve their study habits and save time and money in college. Get a jump on college by asking your counselor for more information or by visiting [OKcollegestart.org](http://OKcollegestart.org).

## PUBLIC COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

### Advanced Placement

Advanced Placement (AP) courses allow students to take college-level course work in high school and receive credit from Oklahoma state colleges and universities. Students are encouraged to take AP courses to prepare for college-level study. There may be a fee charged to take an AP test.

### Concurrent Enrollment

Oklahoma state colleges and universities offer outstanding high school students the opportunity to get a head start on college. High school juniors and seniors who meet policy requirements can participate in concurrent enrollment and earn college credit while in high school. Home-schooled students may enroll under the same criteria as high school students. Students who are 17 years

old are considered seniors, and 16-year-old students are classified as juniors. High school seniors may also be eligible for a tuition waiver of up to six credit hours per semester for their concurrent courses at Oklahoma public colleges and universities.

### Cooperative Alliances

Some higher education institutions, in partnership with Oklahoma's career technology centers, offer high school students and adults an opportunity to enroll in technical courses and earn college credit toward an Associate of Arts in Science degree (AAS). High school students taking courses at technology centers that are part of an approved AAS degree program may take these courses for college credit if they meet the admission requirements.

For more information about early college credit, see your counselor, call the Student Information Hotline at 800.858.1840 (225.9239 in Oklahoma City), e-mail [studentinfo@osrhe.edu](mailto:studentinfo@osrhe.edu) or visit [OKcollegestart.org](http://OKcollegestart.org).

## INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

AP and concurrent enrollment requirements and programs for independent institutions (not tax supported, nonprofit) may vary. Check with the institution you plan to attend for additional information.