



Analyzing the Academy

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What is ECA?

Earn college degree & high school diploma simultaneously.

Participating schools: Union, Washington, St. Clair, & Sullivan

Courses are taught @ college campus or online.

Fully-integrated experience.

No cost to students & supporters.

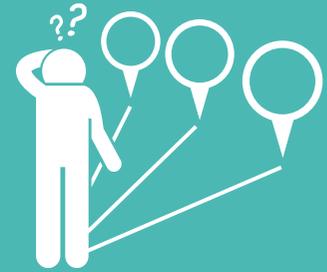
- Districts pays tuition & books (75%).
- ECC waives fees (25%).





Reliable
transportation
required

LET'S GET REAL

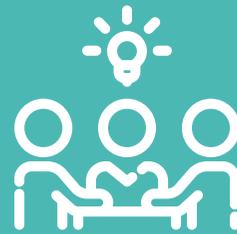


It's okay not to
have it all
figured out



RIGOR

Honors classes and
working above grade
level will make
transition easier.



RESOURCES

You need others
to be successful.
Don't let pride get
in your way.



GRADES

Students who earn
less than a C will be
paying back tuition,
books, & fees.

ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Controversial Topics
Challenges to Beliefs
Alternative Lifestyles
Colorful Language



COMMUNICATION

ECA Students
don't get to STOP.
We cannot help if we
do not know.



TIME MANAGEMENT

If you can manage
your time, you will
be successful.



Pro Tip:

Unsatisfactory grades also show up on your high school transcript. "Thinking" you can pull a C in is NOT a plan of action.

Class	St. Clair	Sullivan	Union	Washington
2022 (10)	n/a	n/a	20/FA (14) 21/SP (12) 22/FA (11) 22/SP (10) Avg GPA 3.46 3 @ 4.0	n/a
2023 (38)	21/FA (2) 22/SP (2) Avg GPA 3.625	21/FA (8) 22/SP (6) Avg GPA 3.09	21/FA (20) 22/SP (20) Avg GPA 3.161 6 @ 4.0	21/FA (14) 22/SP (10) Avg GPA 3.33 1 @ 4.0
2024 (31)	2	4	12	13

Faculty Feedback Themes

Going Well	Struggles	Suggestions
<p>Eager to learn Work ethic Respectful Same issues as others Responsiveness High Achievers Office Hours Visits Active in class Punctual</p>	<p>Academic Skills Time Management Communication Skills Parental Involvement Asking for help Insecure Immature Unclear Career Goals Meeting Deadlines College Calendar Attendance Substandard Effort No Grade = Not Doing It Extra Credit Expectation ECA v Support for All</p>	<p>Adult Role Time Budget Assertiveness Critical Thinking Better Math Skills Better English Skills Instructors as people Self-management Addtl LMS training More rigorous reqs Professional Comm. Campus Involvement Textbook buyback req More faculty involvement</p>

Student Feedback Themes

Going Well	Struggles	Suggestions
<p>More challenging</p> <p>Freedom</p> <p>Flexible</p> <p>Independence</p> <p>Not Going to HS</p> <p>Getting a Head Start</p> <p>More Mature People</p>	<p>Workload</p> <p>Time Management</p> <p>Asking for Help</p> <p>Advocating for Myself</p> <p>Disconnect from HS</p> <p>Late Work Not Accepted</p>	<p>Be mentally prepared</p> <p>Study Strategies & Notetaking</p> <p>More Info about HS Activities / Events</p> <p>Less Online Classes</p> <p>Classroom Shadow Days</p> <p>Mandatory Study Hall</p> <p>Canvas Room with Chat</p>



Lessons Learned & Future Plans



Students need more wraparound support during 1st term.
Implement "Enhanced Support".

Academic deficits are amplified in college.
Work with Learning Center to offer skills refresh.



Unclear career goals affect grit.
Work with faculty and advisors to pilot ideas.



Valuable feedback gained from faculty and students.
Review themes and develop plan of action to address.



Thank You!

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