

East Central College Partnership Bulletin



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Spring & Summer Enrollment Now Open

Students graduating in December and current high school students who wish to enroll in spring or summer courses should enroll now, as classes are filling quickly. Graduating seniors, who may not plan to attend ECC next fall, may be interested in taking a course or two over the summer. A+ eligible students can use their benefits during the **first** summer after high school graduation.

Contact your designated ECC Representative, or visit the links below for details:

- [Enrollment Checklist](#)
- [Placement Test Information](#)
- [Scholarship Information](#)

Early College Educator Scholarships Available

The ECC Foundation now offers an Early College Educator Scholarship for instructors who may not quite meet the required credentials but would like to work toward earning them. We currently have four high school instructors in the program.

To be considered, instructors should reach out their ECC Contact with a degree plan in the chosen field of study and timeline for completion. The Dean will review the plan, and ECC will reimburse instructors who earn a B or better. The scholarship covers tuition only.



Once instructors complete nine graduate hours, provisional approval can allow high schools to offer the the dual credit course, with an agreement that the instructor will complete the remaining nine hours within a mutually agreed upon timeframe. The cap on tuition is whatever the current Missouri Resident Graduate Rate is at the University of Missouri - St. Louis. Currently, that rate is \$548.10 per credit hour.

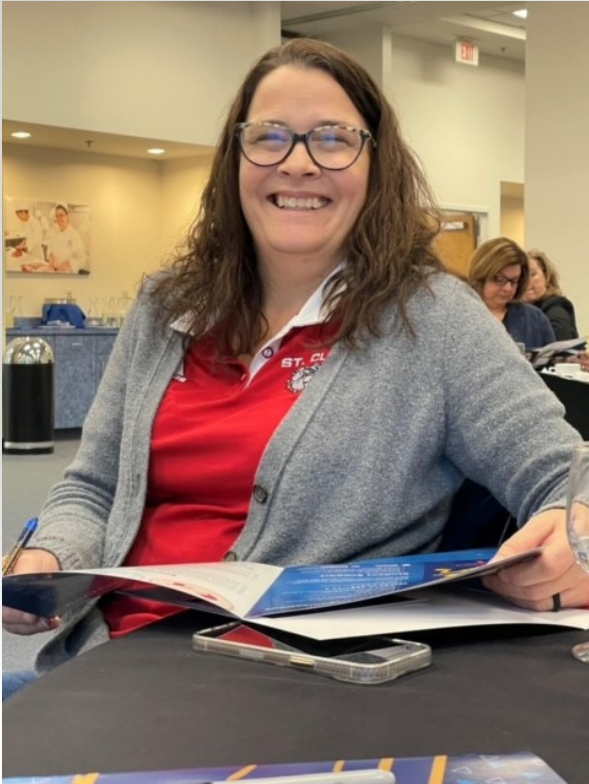
ECC Support for Local Athletes

The College is considering putting together a spirit squad to attend select local high school sporting events. ECC will be reaching out to Athletic Directors soon to further discuss this idea.

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Dual Credit Instructor Retirements or Changes?

Conversations are already underway about retirements and changes with high school instructors for the next school year. If you are interested in having a new instructor teach dual credit, the requirement is that instructors have a master's degree in their particular discipline (English, math, business, etc.) or 18 graduate hours in that specific field. If you would like our assistance in confidentially reviewing credentials, please contact your ECC Representative.



Holly Click, St. Clair Counselor, is all smiles at the Annual High School Partnership Breakfast in October. Breakfast was prepared by the ECC Culinary Arts students.

Early College Academy Expansion

Currently, there are four schools participating in the Early College Academy - St. Clair, Sullivan, Union, and Washington. Students begin as full-time college students at ECC during their junior year and complete their Associate of Arts degree at the same time as their high school diploma.

Interested students apply during the spring of their sophomore year. The program is free to students and families. The district pays tuition and books, and ECC waives all fees. High schools choose participants by April 1st. The number of students participating is determined by the district.

ECC is seeking to expand the program for the 2023-2024 school year. The team can meet to discuss additional details and if this might be a good fit for your district. Typically, info sessions with interested families are held at high schools in January and February. Contact Megan Strubberg for details.

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