



RCC Handbook for Early College High School Students



Rogue Community College
HIGH SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS

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High School Partnerships Office, TRC-A 137

Table Rock Campus
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541-956-7311
<https://roguecc.edu/collegenow/>

Courses, Registration/Withdraw, General Questions

Contact: Laura Bowles, High School Partnerships Program Coordinator
Email: lbowles@roguecc.edu
Call: 541-956-7311
Visit: <https://roguecc.edu/collegenow/>

Admission/Placement Process

Contact: Fiona Nevin, RCC Transition Specialist
Email: fnevin@roguecc.edu or the recruitment staff at recruitment@roguecc.edu.
Call: 541-956-7217
Visit: <https://www.roguecc.edu/Recruitment/dualCredit.asp>

Student Contact- Credits and Pathways

Contact: Raelyn Horton, High School Partnerships Transition Specialist (Jackson County)
Email: rhorton@roguecc.edu
Call: 541-956-7258

Contact: Anna Holst, High School Partnerships Transition Specialist (Josephine County, Rogue River HS)
Email: aholst@roguecc.edu
Call: 541-956-7193

Contact: Soledad (Sol) Valencia, High School Partnerships Transition Specialist (Spanish Language)
Email: svalencia@roguecc.edu

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Welcome to RCC's Early College Program!

Dear high school students,

Talking with the high school teacher, counselor, or liaison is the first step to earning dual credit. These high school staff work with students to determine if earning college credit is right for them, the benefits of earning college credit, the importance of selecting the right courses, college expectations, and registration deadlines. The admissions steps are easy and RCC staff are also here to help. If a student needs assistance with the admissions process, contact Fiona Nevin at fnevin@roguecc.edu.

We are excited to welcome high school students to Rogue Community College. We wish all students continued success in their college and career endeavors.

Advising

All students should seek advising first from their high school counselor or designated RCC liaison to ensure the classes they take in the Early College program apply to a RCC certificate or education plan. Students must also meet with an RCC Academic and Career Coach in our Advising Office at 541-956-7192 or email staff at advisingfrontdesk@rogucecc.edu. If it is a quick question, feel free to reach us at advising@rogucecc.edu Monday through Friday.

Returning Students

Students who have earned college credit at RCC do not need to apply again.

- Please work with the high school advisor, counselor, liaison or teacher at the high school to ensure the ability to register for classes is open.
- Meet with your Academic and Career Coach at RCC to work together on your education plan.

International High School Students

It is the international student's responsibility to understand the limitations of their visa and if taking college courses is allowed under the conditions of their visa. The RCC Early College program does not track a student's international status. Also, as a high school student, there may be eligibility for college credit in the high school class as long as the teacher is approved to offer college credit as a College Now teacher.

Home schooled High School Students

Home schooled high school students may have access to Early College courses through their local high school. Please contact your high school to inquire.

Students who Experience Disabilities

Access and Disability Resources is an academic support program that helps to provide equal access to educational opportunities for students with disabilities. We collaborate with students, faculty, staff and community members to create usable, inclusive and sustainable learning environments. The program strives to increase awareness and acceptance of those with disabilities in support of RCC's commitment to enhancing each learner's potential and success. RCC recognizes disability as an aspect of diversity that is integral to the campus community and society as a whole.

High school students who take RCC courses at an RCC campus or online should contact RCC's Access Office.

Redwood Campus (Wiseman Student Success Center)
Phone: 541-956-7337; Oregon Relay Service: 7-1-1
Riverside Campus (Student Success Center, Room 9)
Phone: 541-956-7337; Oregon Relay Service: 7-1-1
Table Rock Campus (Building A, Rooms 191 and 191A)
Phone: 541-956-7337; Oregon Relay Service: 7-1-1

For more information, go to Access and Disability Resources: <https://www.roguecc.edu/accessResources/> or email AccessOffice@roguecc.edu

Credits with a Purpose/Intentional Credit

If a student chooses to earn college credits while in high school, it is important to select those credits with a purpose. We recommend earning credits that are relevant to the student's career and college goals, as those credits are more often transferable and may count towards the selected degree program after high school.

Why does it matter what college credits are earned in high school? College credits might have an impact on future financial aid availability. <https://www.roguecc.edu/RCCfinAid/>

Why Earn College Credit While in High School?

By taking dual enrollment college classes while in high school, students get a head start on their RCC certificate or degree. The college credit a student earns while in high school can shorten the time it takes to earn a college certificate or degree after high school. Students may be able to get the first year or so of college classes completed by the time they graduate high school.

Dropping/Withdrawing from Classes

Students should keep their high school counselor or RCC liaison informed about their Early College course progress and if they are encountering any difficulty. Students should discuss dropping a course with their high school liaison and get their approval *prior* to dropping any course through their myRogue account. Review the Add/Drop Deadline/Withdraw Period on the Academic Calendar www.roguecc.edu/Calendar/academic/.

If a student withdraws from a course after the deadline to add or drop a class date listed on the Academic Calendar, the high school will be responsible for paying the (dropped) class tuition and fees incurred after the add/drop date.

Financial Aid Implications for High School Students

It is important for students to realize that the college transcript they are building in high school is permanent and can affect their future ability to fund their post-high school academic goals.

Students should be intentional about the courses and grades they allow to post to their college transcript. It is recommended that students only have passing grades of A, B, C and P (passing) show on their transcript. A student with D's, F's and W's on their college transcript may find that they are at risk of not meeting Satisfactory Academic Progress standards when they apply for financial aid, which is defined by each college per federal guidelines for financial aid awards (federal and state grants, student employment, and student loans). See website for more details: <https://www.roguecc.edu/RCCfinAid/PDF/2024-25/24-25-Satisfactory-Academic-Progress-SAP-Policy.pdf>.

Obtaining an RCC Transcript

Students who have taken a class, or classes, at Rogue Community College, have a transcript. There are many reasons a student might need their college transcript; most commonly transcripts may be required for

employment or when applying or transferring to another college
<https://www.roguecc.edu/enrollmentServices/transcripts.asp>

Transfer of Credits

To check Transfer Course Equivalencies, please visit RCC's Transfer Center website at:
<https://www.roguecc.edu/collegeTransfer/> or feel free to make an appointment with an RCC Academic and Career Coach at advisingfrontdesk@roguecc.edu.

High School Program Options- Guided Pathways

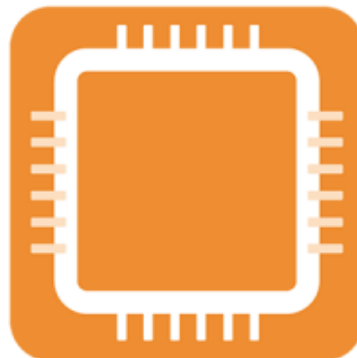
Students without a clear sense of what they want out of college often end up either quitting without a degree, with many elective credits, and/or a mountain of student loan debt. Not at RCC! We aim to keep students on their chosen path and get to graduation in the least amount of time and expense.

Colleges that use Guided Pathways have higher graduation rates and lower levels of student debt.

RCC's six Pathways are listed here. Click on a pathway to see the programs in that pathway.



[Science, Engineering, and Math](#)



[Applied Technology](#)



[Health Professions, Public Safety](#)



[Business](#)



[Social & Behavior Science,
Education](#)



[Arts, Humanities,
Communication](#)

Student Responsibilities, Rights, and Freedoms (AP 5990)

Rogue Community College strives to meet the needs of its students and help them make informed decisions about attending this college. To assist students in this effort, RCC provides information on student's responsibilities, rights, and freedoms at www.roguecc.edu/BOE/policies/AP5990.asp

Title IX and Sexual Misconduct

Please review the information in full found on the webpage at www.roguecc.edu/titleIX/

Title IX

Please review the FAQ's page for information: www.roguecc.edu/titleIX/faq.asp.

Non-Discrimination (AP-3410)

Rogue Community College is committed to maintaining a safe and healthy educational and work environment in which no member of the community is, on the basis of sex, sexual orientation, or gender identity, excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or subjected to discrimination in any college program or activity. Gender-based harassment and sexual harassment, including sexual violence, are forms of sex discrimination in that they deny or limit an individual's ability to participate in or benefit from college programs or activities. Please see the full documentation, including a list of regulatory specific contact persons at the following webpage: www.roguecc.edu/BOE/policies/AP3410.asp

Privacy Policy

RCC follows all applicable state and federal laws, rules, and regulations that apply to student records. At the college level, parents have no inherent rights to inspect a student's education records. The right to inspect is limited solely to the student under **FERPA (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act)** – see www.roguecc.edu/enrollmentServices/FERPA.asp. Records may be released to the parents only under the following circumstances:

- Student has authorized RCC staff to talk to a family member.
- With submission of the **Underage Enrollment Form** or the **Academic & Behavior Information Release Form** found at www.roguecc.edu/enrollmentServices/forms.asp
- Through the written consent of the student;
- In compliance with a subpoena;
- By submission of evidence that the parents declare the student as a dependent on their most recent Federal Income Tax form (IRS Code of 1954, Section 152). In the case of a dependent student, information may be exchanged without the written consent of the student for the sole purpose of completing a student's financial aid application or the payment of tuition and fees.

RCC has FERPA and other signed agreements with each high school. These agreements comply with FERPA provisions which allow student information to be shared confidentially between the college and high school in the interest of best serving the students.

Frequently Asked Questions

HOW DO I ACCESS MY RCC ACCOUNT? Use your RCC student email address to log in to your account.

I'VE FORGOTTEN MY RCC EMAIL ADDRESS OR PASSWORD AND CAN'T LOG IN. How do I access my myRogue account?

- Your student email address is in this format:
firstname.lastname.last4ofStudentID @student.roguecc.edu
- You can access your email at <https://outlook.office365.com>. The website link will open a new window where you will log in with your student email address.
- If you've forgotten your password, please visit: <https://outlook.office365.com> Click the "Can't access your account?" link. (Links are blue text. Link may also say "forgot password")
- For more instructions, please visit:
<https://www.roguecc.edu/dept/studentComputerSupport/faq.asp#labcontact>

A SINGLE PASSWORD is used when using your RCC student email across all RCC platforms: email, Blackboard, computer lab, and RCC Bookstore.

I HEARD THAT TAKING COLLEGE COURSES WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL “starts the clock” on the financial aid I can receive. Is this true?

The “clock” is not measured in years or months, but in credits. Federal rules state that students:

- Must complete a degree or certificate in no longer than 150% of the average credit length of their program (about 130 credits).
 - Does not include up to 45 credits that are less than 100-level college credits, however these 45 credits do count toward the 90 allowable credits of the Oregon Promise Grant.
- Maintain a 2.0 cumulative GPA.
- Successfully complete two-thirds of hours attempted to remain eligible for aid (pace needs to be above 67%).

HOW DO I WITHDRAW FROM MY CLASS?

- Log into your RCC account.
- Click on Add/Drop/Withdraw at the top of the screen.
- Choose the current term/year.
- Click on Register.
- When the Calendar opens, click on the down arrow by the course you want to withdraw from.
- Choose Withdraw.