

Early College High School Application Process

The following are instructions to help you complete the application:

1. Read the instructions.
2. Complete the application in black or blue ink.
3. Mail your completed application to ECHS or bring it to the ECHS office.
4. After the applications are reviewed, students who are accepted to ECHS will receive a letter of acceptance.

Applications from students attending private schools:

Your application must be sent with the following attachments to ECHS by U.S. mail or delivered in person to ECHS front office:

- a) Transcript of grades
- b) Results on the state test known as the STAR from the last school year.
- c) Attendance and behavior record for two years
- d) If applicable, 504 or Special Education plan

ECHS address:

2990 Mesa Verde Drive, Costa Mesa, CA. 92626

Telephone: (714) 241-6108

PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU ARE NOT A U.S. CITIZEN OR PERMANENT RESIDENT

If you are accepted to ECHS, the state requires you to pay non-resident tuition for your college classes. This tuition is \$181 per college unit. On average, ECHS students take 6 college units per semester. (Note: Based on California State Law AB540, after attending at least three years in a California high school and upon graduation, a non-citizen qualifies for resident tuition.)

Applications will be processed in the order received.

EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

TO: Prospective Early College High School Applicants, Parents, and Guardians:

Thank you for considering Early College High School (ECHS). Before completing the application, we request that you give careful consideration to the information below to determine if ECHS is the right educational environment for your student. Please make special note of the expectations you and your student will be agreeing to if he/she is accepted to ECHS.

ECHS is an academic, college preparatory program intended to enable students to pursue post-secondary education at a four-year college or university. Students begin taking college courses during the freshman year. After earning a high school diploma at the end of their senior year, students will complete the Associate of Arts degree from Coastline Community College in the fifth year. This will allow ECHS students to transfer into a University of California, California State University, or private school with advanced standing.

ECHS is part of a national Early College Initiative sponsored by the Gates, Carnegie and Kellogg foundations. We want students who are motivated to take college classes and demonstrate the ability to make mature, independent, and productive choices to succeed in college classes and college preparatory high school classes. In this unique school, ECHS provides an innovative learning environment that inspires and challenges students to reach their personal and academic potential.

Points of consideration:

- ECHS partners with Coastline Community College.
- The ECHS calendar is aligned to the college calendar.
- ECHS starts in August and ends in early June.
- The ECHS bell schedule starts and ends later in the day.
- ECHS requires students to have good attendance and good behavior.

Newport-Mesa Unified School District

Early College High School (ECHS)

2990 Mesa Verde Drive East

Costa Mesa, CA 92626

ENROLLMENT APPLICATION

Student Name _____ Current School _____
last name first name

Student ID Number _____ Male Female Current Grade: _____

Home Address _____
Street City Zip Code

Home Phone (_____) _____ Email address _____

Is English your primary language? Yes No If no, what is your primary language? _____

Place of birth _____

Age _____ Date of birth ____/____/____ Student cell phone # _____

Father/Guardian Name: _____ Home phone _____

e-mail _____ Work phone _____ Cell _____

Mother/Guardian Name: _____ Home phone _____

e-mail _____ Work phone _____ Cell _____

If parents are separated or divorced, with whom does the student live? _____

Parent or Guardian: Please answer the following questions about your student.

Is your student eligible for a free and reduced lunch? No Yes

Does your student have a 504 or Special Education IEP on file? No Yes

Is your student an English Language Learner? No Yes

Please describe any special educational services your student is currently receiving or has received through the school (e.g. RSP, speech/language therapy):

What is your grade point average? _____

What was your score on the state test in English? _____

What was your score on the state test in math? _____

Ethnicity: (optional)

- American Indian
- Asian American
- Black/African

- American
- Hispanic/Latino
- White

- Pacific Islander
- Native Hawaiian
- Other

QUESTIONS FOR THE STUDENT

Please answer the following questions with three or more sentences:

1. Why do you want to take college courses during high school?

2. What two things are most helpful to you about the learning environment in a classroom?

3. Of these choices, activities, academics, or friends which one is most important to you and why?

STUDENT EXPECTATIONS

If you are accepted to ECHS, you will need to adhere to the following expectations:

- I will make education a high priority in my life, including positive participation in class and school activities.
- I will work to achieve and exceed my potential.
- I will be punctual and maintain good attendance in all high school and college classes.
- I will take responsibility for my own learning, behavior, and success.
- I will devote a minimum of two hours each night to homework, studying, and reading.
- I will show respect for everyone in the school community and the rights of others to learn and succeed.
- I will behave in a manner that shows respect for the high school, college, school facilities, and equipment.
- I will maturely handle the freedoms of scheduling in a college setting, and understand that our existence on the college campus is a privilege, not a right.
- I understand that ECHS **does not have** organized athletics, band, choir or drama.
- I will adhere to the technology agreements of ECHS and Coastline Community College.
- I understand that I will be required to complete several classroom projects to help me apply classroom concepts to real world situations.
- I understand that I may be transferred to my high school of residence if I do not maintain at least a 2.0 grade point average, maintain good attendance, and behavior in high school and college courses.

I have read and understand the student expectations.

Student's name (please print) _____

Student's signature _____

Date _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN EXPECTATIONS

The following are parental expectations if your student is accepted to ECHS:

- I will ensure that my student has good attendance.
- I will call the ECHS office when my student is absent.
- I will ensure that my student has transportation to and from school and other functions as needed.
- I will expect my student to complete their homework and assignments.
- I will stay informed about ECHS activities by reading all school information sent home.
- I will monitor my student's academic progress on school loop.
- I will attend any parent meetings or conferences arranged by the ECHS staff.
- I understand that ECHS does not have organized athletics, band, choir or drama.
- I understand that my student is responsible for following all rules and regulations for ECHS and Coastline Community College.
- I understand that my student may have two hours of homework a night.
- I understand that my student will be required to complete several classroom projects to help him or her apply the concepts to real world situations.
- I understand that if my student does not maintain a minimum of a 2.0 grade point average, good attendance and behavior in all high school and college courses he or she may be transferred to his or her high school of residence.

I have read and understand the parent/guardian expectations.

Parent's/Guardian's name (please print) _____

Parent's/Guardian's signature _____

Date _____