EARLY COLLEGE

Application & Selection

Early College High Schools help students get a head start on college while they earn their high school diploma.

WAKE LEADERSHIP ACADEMIES

Wake Young Men's Leadership Academy, 6-12+

- partners with St. Augustine's University
- https://www.wcpss.net/wakeyoungmen

Wake Young Women's Leadership Academy, 6-12+

- partners with St. Augustine's University
- https://www.wcpss.net/wywl
 - Early college students take college courses as well as the courses required to earn a high school diploma over a five year period and earn free transferable college credit.
- Offer a single-gender academic program preparing young men and women for life-long learning through rigorous instruction
 - Grades 11-13 are at Saint Augustine's University located in the historic Oakwood neighborhood of Raleigh, NC.
- Emphasis on leadership development, entrepreneurship, and community service.

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Wake Early College of Health and Science, 9-12+

- partners with WakeTech Community College
- https://www.wcpss.net/healthscienceec
- Provides opportunities to explore careers in the health and sciences through partnerships with Wake Tech, and WakeMed Health and Hospital.

Wake STEM Early College, 9-12+

- partners with North Carolina State University
- https://www.wcpss.net/stemec
- Follows the NCSU Engineering Design Process as our foundation to solve our problems and complete our projects.

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ACADEMIES

North Wake College and Career Academy, 9-12+

- partners with WakeTech Community College
- https://www.wcpss.net/northwakeccaStudents will be able to complete studies in one of five programs as part of their graduation credits. The school will offer Culinary, Business Administration, IT/Tech Support, Early Childhood Education and Emergency Medical Science.

Vernon Malone College and Career Academy, 9-12+

partners with WakeTech Community College https://www.wcpss.net/vernonmalonecca

Students at Vernon Malone College and Career Academy complete studies in one of the seven Career & Technical Education (CTE) programs as part of their high school graduation credits, these include Biopharmaceutical Technology, Collision Repair, Cosmetology, Multi-Trades Technology, Nurse Aide, Simulation and Game Development and Welding.

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EARLY COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS

- Apply online earlycolleges.wcpss.net/apply
 - Current WCPSS students
 - Begin application October 15, deadline to create an account December 14
 - Students new to WCPSS
 - Enroll in WCPSS beginning October 15 at wcpss.net/enroll
 - Begin application once they have received the student ID number
 - Deadline to create an account December 14
 - Must have an email address and student's ID number
 - Must match birthday, next grade and house number to create account
 - Self-identify parent level of education
 - Used only for data purposes not used in scoring application
 - Notification of results is February 23, 2021
 - Sign back into your application account to see results
 - If not selected for first choice, will be assigned to applicant pool

EARLY COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS

- Identify school(s) for which you wish to be considered
 - May apply to as many as you are eligible
 - may identify them first choice, second choice...
 - May change or remove a choice
 - If North Wake or Vernon Malone CCA, must also rank a pathway(s)
 - If WYWLA...must sign parent statement
- Identify 3 recommenders
 - Enter the email for each recommender
 - ELA, MAT, Administrator or Counselor
 Be sure to alert recommender to watch for email with link
- Complete essay for each school ranked as a choice
 - May continue to edit until you select "submit"
 - Must select "submit" in order for application to be complete

EARLY COLLEGE SELECTION PROCESS

- Only complete applications will be scored
 - Refer to status page for verification
 - Ensure essay complete and submitted
 - Ensure recommenders have submitted recommendation
 - Ensure all documents uploaded
- Applications scored against a rubric
 - Scored by teams including school and college/university staff
- Highest priority for siblings who meet minimum score (70)
- Each applicant assigned a number randomly
- Priority points added to random number according to score
 - 90 100
 - **80-89**
 - **●** 70 − 79
- Scores of less than 70 do not get any priority points

