

Running Start Financial Responsibilities

Quarterly Tuition

Fortunately, Running Start students are not charged tuition in most situations. Students who opt to take courses that are below the college level (number below 100) or above their eligibility (see reverse) will be charged tuition - \$113.59 per credit unless they qualify for a Fee Waiver.

Quarterly Fees

Running Start students are required to pay the same mandatory fees as other college students. These fees are proposed and approved by the WCC student leadership group. Fees cover services such as the Student Recreation Center, computer labs, Learning Center tutoring, and a WTA bus pass.

Credits	College Fees* 2018-19
1	\$32.32
2	\$44.64
3	\$56.96
4	\$69.28
5	\$81.60
6	\$93.92
7	\$106.24
8	\$118.56
9	\$130.88
10	\$143.20
11	\$149.52
12	\$155.84
13	\$162.16
14	\$168.48
15	\$174.80

**These can be waived for low-income students.*

Course fees cannot be waived. All students must pay the following Lab & Materials Fees:

- Art & Graphic Design - \$15 to \$25
- Science Lab Classes - \$20 to \$30
- Dance - \$25
- CIS - \$15 to \$25
- PE 126 - \$20
- Other classes may be added to this list during the year.

A one-time \$25 placement fee is due prior to enrollment in classes. This fee can be waived for low income students.

Fee Waiver

Students who qualify for free or reduced meals at school, are in foster care, or receive government assistance (i.e. food stamps, medical) are eligible for a waiver. If you are unable to pay these fees, we encourage you to complete the Fee Waiver Petition which is available in the Running Start Office.

Books and Supplies

All college students are responsible for obtaining their own textbooks and supplies. You can find the required and recommended textbooks and supplies on the WCC Bookstore website about a month before the quarter. Here are some ways to acquire your textbooks:

- Purchase or rent textbooks from the WCC Bookstore or an online retailer (like Amazon or Chegg).
- Apply for our Running Start Book Loan program under the Registration tab in MyWCC. Priority is given to students on a Fee Waiver.
- WCC Library has many textbooks on reserve to use in the library.

WCC remains an excellent opportunity for students to save time and money on education. WCC never wants the cost of the program to prevent students from participating. Please let us know if there is a financial need.

Running Start Suggested Schedules

The charts below show “eligibility”: the maximum number of tuition-free college-level credits and high school courses students may take each quarter. Running Start funding covers a combined high school and college load of up to 120% of full-time (1.2 FTE).

It is important to work with your high school counselor and Running Start advisor each quarter to determine an appropriate schedule. Students enrolled in a higher number of college credits, exceeding the 1.2 FTE funding limit, will be charged tuition unless they have a verified fee waiver. Running Start funding does not cover summer quarter.

Schools with 6 classes per term			Schools with 8 classes per term		
HS Classes	College Credits	College Classes (5 credits each)	HS Classes	College Credits	College Classes (5 credits each)
0	15	3	0	15	3
1	15	3	1	15	3
2	12	2	2	13	2
3	10	2	3	11	2
4	6	1	4	8	1
5	3	1*	5	6	1
6	3	1*	6	4	1*
			7	3	1*
			8	3	1*

*Funding may not cover the entire cost of class. Depending on the class and student eligibility, students may be responsible for a portion of the tuition for the class.

These calculations are accurate for the 2018-2019 school year and are subject to change.