

# Running Start Financial Responsibilities

## Tuition and 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. 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 - \$108.91 per credit unless they qualify for a Fee Waiver.

| Credits | College Fees* 2016-17 |
|---------|-----------------------|
| 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.*

*The course fees below 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.

## 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. The waiver covers fees and tuition on all college level class (numbered above the 100 level) with the exception of the fees for certain classes (listed above).

## 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).
- Our Running Start Book Loan program. You can find the form available in the Running Start Office. 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 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 the maximum number of HS classes and tuition-free college-level credits you 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 the right schedule for you.

Students may enroll in a higher number of college credits by paying tuition.

*Please note: Students with a verified fee waiver may exceed the 1.2 FTE funding limit without paying tuition.*

| Schools with 6 classes per term |                 |                                  | Schools with 8 classes per term |                 |                                  | Windward   |                 |                                  |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| HS Classes                      | College Credits | College Classes (5 credits each) | HS Classes                      | College Credits | College Classes (5 credits each) | HS Classes | College Credits | College Classes (5 credits each) |
| 0                               | 15              | 3                                | 0                               | 15              | 3                                | 0          | 15              | 3                                |
| 1                               | 15              | 3                                | 1                               | 15              | 3                                | 1          | 14              | 2                                |
| 2                               | 12              | 2                                | 2                               | 13              | 2                                | 1 + nav    | 12              | 2                                |
| 3                               | 10              | 2                                | 3                               | 11              | 2                                | 2          | 10              | 2                                |
| 4                               | 6               | 1                                | 4                               | 8               | 1                                | 2 + nav    | 8               | 1                                |
| 5                               | 3               | 1*                               | 5                               | 6               | 1                                | 3          | 6               | 1                                |
| 6                               | 3               | 1*                               | 6                               | 4               | 1*                               | 3 + nav    | 4               | 1*                               |
|                                 |                 |                                  | 7                               | 3               | 1*                               | 4          | 3               | 1*                               |
|                                 |                 |                                  | 8                               | 3               | 1*                               | 4 + nav    | 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.