

# Early College High School

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## Focus/Description

<https://earlycollege.ccsdschools.com>

Early College High School (ECHS), located on the Palmer Campus of Trident Technical College is a small, personalized learning program for students enrolled in Charleston County School District (CCSD). ECHS is a partnership between Charleston County School District and Trident Technical College (TTC). Early College High School serves students who have the academic potential, desire, and determination to be successful in high school and beyond.

ECHS is designed to allow students the opportunity to complete up to two years of college credit while earning a high school diploma as part of a coherent educational program that serves the developmental and intellectual needs of young people. As part of a research-based model, students participate in a summer bridge session after eighth grade and spend ninth grade focusing on high school courses while mastering the life and organizational skills required for success in college. When they demonstrate that they are ready, students will begin to take college classes, dual credit courses, and all students will leave ECHS college and career ready while many will earn Associate's Degrees.

## School Category: Countywide with admissions criteria

Early College High School has academic admission criteria. The random lottery selection of students to determine eligibility is influenced by priorities listed under Application Priorities.

Transportation to and from centralized locations is provided to all students who live in Charleston County and attend Countywide Magnets.

## Application Grade: 9th Only

Grades Offered: 9 - 12

## ECHS Application Priorities (in order):

All applicants must be a rising ninth-grade student and have the following minimum winter MAP scores: Math RIT 225, Reading Lexile 900. Students must complete winter MAP Reading and Math assessments in-person for score consideration.

Find out more by visiting: <https://www.ccsdschools.com/families/students/choice>

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Students interested in being considered for admission should submit an application by published deadline.

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