

# *The Shiawassee Early College Program*



## ***How to participate in the Early College Program***

Students interested in the Shiawassee Early College Program should talk to their high school counselor or the Shiawassee RESD for more information about this amazing opportunity!

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## ***What is the Shiawassee Early College Program?***

The Shiawassee Early College Program (SECP) is a three to five year program that allows students to receive both their high school diploma and up to 60 semester college credits through an additional fifth year of high school.

Students participating in the SECP attend high school while earning college credits through our College/University partners. The program is designed so that after the 12th grade of high school, the student will continue to attend high school/college for an additional year while earning college credits at no cost to the student or his/her family!

All tuition fees and books will be paid for by the SECP!

**College is Expensive!**

**Take Advantage of the  
Shiawassee Early  
College Program...**

**Earn college credits for  
*FREE!***

# ***What You Need to Know***



## ***Why participate in the Shiawassee Early College Program?***

- > Students participating in the SECP will receive free tuition and books during their participation in the program.
- > By the time SECP students leave high school, they will have the opportunity to earn up to an associates degree or up to 60 semester credits completed towards an Associate's or Bachelor's Degree.
- > Classes are on campus, online, or blended-learning (both online and in the classroom). SECP students will be supplied a laptop computer if needed for the online portion of the program.
- > Students will still be allowed to take part in all high school activities including sports, clubs, and dances at their local high school during their 9th through 12th grade years.
- > SECP students will be allowed to walk at their high school graduation ceremony along with their classmates. Their high school diploma will be awarded at the same time as the student's completion of the program (end of 5th year) by their local school district.

## ***Who is eligible for the Early College Program?***

- > Students who wish to earn college credits and get an early start on their general education requirements while attending high school.
- > Students who meet the requirements of the college participating in the program and who attend a public school district located in Shiawassee County.
- > Students who are recommended by their high school counselor.

The SECP works collaboratively with each local district to assure students who will benefit the most are identified and enrolled in the program.

## ***What are the student requirements?***

Each student will also be required to complete the Michigan Early/Middle College Association Technical Certificate with the completion of the following:

- > Local District approved College Readiness Curriculum (including the Michigan High School Merit Curriculum)
- > Minimum completion of 15 semester college credits with a 2.0 G.P.A. or higher (30 quarter credits)
- > 100 hours of verified community service OR at least 40 hours of verified career exploration, internship, job shadowing or clinical experience