



SJR State Early College Program at Interlachen High School and Palatka High School Information Sessions

Tuesday, 2/20/24, 6:00pm at Palatka High School
Thursday, 2/22/24, 6:00pm at Interlachen High School



Welcome

SJR State & Putnam County School District Collaborative Partnership

- St. Johns River State College
- Putnam County School District
 - Interlachen High School
 - Palatka High School



General Information

- Who is SJR State?
- What is the Associate in Arts Degree?
<http://www.sjrstate.edu/catalog/aa.pdf>



Dual Enrollment Options at SJR State

The Early College Program (previously known as The Collegiate High School) in Putnam County creates an opportunity for a cohort of eligible students to enroll in college level classes and earn their Associate in Arts degree, all while still enrolled in high school. Students in this pathway will take a defined list of courses.

Traditional Dual Enrollment is a program that allows eligible high school students to simultaneously earn college credit while earning credit toward a high school diploma. Students enrolled in traditional dual enrollment will select their own courses.

Early Admissions is a type of dual enrollment for students in the 12th grade who enroll full-time at SJR State, taking a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester. The student will only take classes at the SJR State campus and takes no classes at the high school site.

What Makes Me Eligible for the Early College Program?

- Current 8th Grader
 - Enrolled in or have taken: Algebra 1, Geometry, or Biology
 - No level 1 or Level 2 on FSA for Math and ELA
 - High school cumulative unweighted GPA 3.0 or higher
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- *The GPA you see in Skyward is not your unweighted high school GPA.
 - **Note that when grades and test scores roll in July, students may become ineligible.

How Are the Programs Different?

The Early College Program begins in the **9th grade**. During 9th, 10th & 11th grade, students will take a defined list of college credits in combination with their high school classes. Students will also have the option to take college credits online or at SJR State during the summer sessions. During the 12th grade, students will be enrolled full-time at SJR State. Students in this pathway will take a defined list of courses in order to facilitate completion of their Associate in Arts degree.

Traditional Dual Enrollment begins in the **summer after 10th grade**. Students may take classes at the high school site, online, and on any of SJR State's campus as available.

Early Admissions begins in the **12th grade** with dual enrollment courses online and on SJR State's campus as available. Students transition from DE to EA if they become full-time college students (minimum 12 credits/term, no classes at the high school site).

How Does Dual Enrollment Differ from Other Accelerated Mechanisms?

- College credit for Dual Enrollment is awarded based on the student's class grade rather than on a standardized exit test.
- ***Bottom line:*** If you pass a Dual Enrollment class, you earn the college credit.

Dual Enrollment Success Data

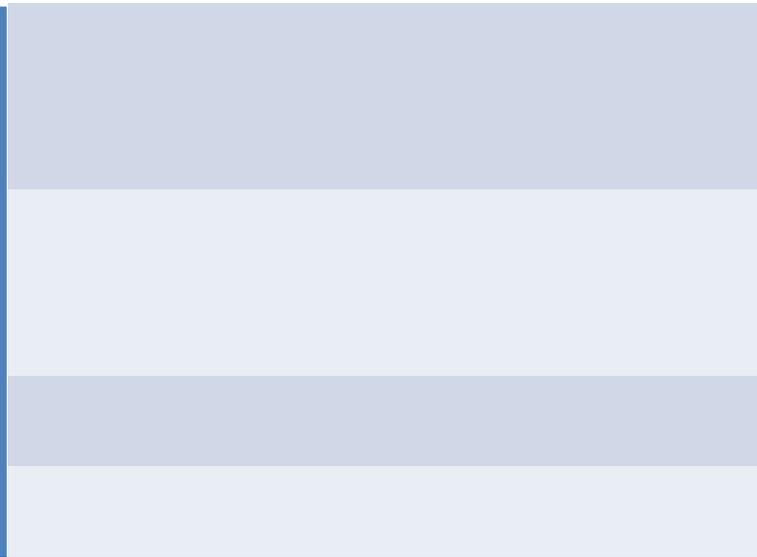
SJR State Dual Enrollment Student Course Success Rate 2022-2023

Classes at the High School
Site

Classes at SJR State's
Campus

Online SJR State Classes

All SJR State Locations



Success is defined as achieving a grade of A, B, or C divided by total number of students enrolled in course.

Source: Internal SJR State data

Putnam County DE Numbers

Putnam County School District Enrollment Spring 2023

High School	SJR State Campus Headcount	High School Site Headcount	Total DE Unduplicated Headcount	Credit Hours Taken on SJR State Campus	Credit Hours Taken at High School Site	Spring 2020 Students graduating with AA/HS diploma (not in the early college program)
Crescent City	12	00	12	98	0	0
Interlachen	83	51	107	331	231	3
Palatka	112	33	137	687	156	7
Putnam Virtual	7	0	7	52	0	0
QI Roberts	26	13	37	136	0	0
Total:	240	97	300	1,304	387	10

The Early College Program

- 9th and 10th grade courses will be offered as face-to-face high school site classes or will be an SJR State online elective course (depending upon instructor availability).
- In the first year of the program, students will be given access to Ed Ready, an online tutoring/assessment resource which students can use to assist them in achieving a college ready test score prior to the 11th grade.
- 11th grade courses will be offered either at the high school site, SJR State **or** online, depending upon instructor availability.
- Students are encouraged to continue to participate in extracurricular activities at the high school, but they may not be taking additional coursework at the high school site as well as a full load of college courses. Students may also wish to enroll in summer courses, these are optional.



Early College Program - Nuts & Bolts:

GPA & Original Testing

- All early college program/dual enrollment students must have and maintain a minimum of a 3.0 un-weighted high school GPA and in all dual enrollment courses earn an A, B, or C (No Ds, Fs, or Ws) for continued program eligibility. Students must also maintain a 2.0 College GPA.
- As part of the application process, students will complete a college readiness test to assess their readiness in college reading, writing, and math. This original score will not be used to determine placement for courses, but prior to the 11th grade, students will need a college ready test score to continue the program.



Early College Program - Nuts & Bolts:

Test Scores

- Students must be engaged in college preparatory curriculum throughout high school and showing signs of increased college readiness in order to continue to participate each year.
- Students must have college ready test scores in math, reading, and writing in order to take college-level math and English courses. This must happen prior to the 11th grade for the student to be on track to graduate from high school with the AA Degree. Students who do not receive a college ready test score before the deadline set by the high school, may be removed from the Early College Program.
- Students should be utilizing the EdReady program given to them in the 9th grade in order to have a better chance of achieving a college ready test score prior to the 11th grade.

TEST & COURSE PLACEMENT	PERT	ACT	SAT	SAT (DIGITAL Since June 2023)	CLT (Classic Learning Test)	*PSAT/NMQST or PSAT 10	*PSAT/NMQST (DIGITAL) or PSAT 10
READING	106 and up	19 and up	24 and up	490 and up**	38 and up***	24-38	490-760**
WRITING	103 and up	17 and up	25 and up	490 and up**	38 and up***	25-38	490-760**
MATH (Intermediate Algebra)	114 - 122	19-20	24	480	16-18	24-26	480-520
MATH (College Algebra)	123 and up	21-26	25-28	490-560	19-40	26.5-38	530-760
*ALTERNATIVE PLACEMENT ASSESSMENT SCORES WE CAN USE							
**The evidence based reading and writing section score meet the requirement for BOTH reading and writing placement scores.							
***The sum of the CLT Verbal Reasoning score and Grammar/Writing score meet the requirement for BOTH reading and writing placement scores.							

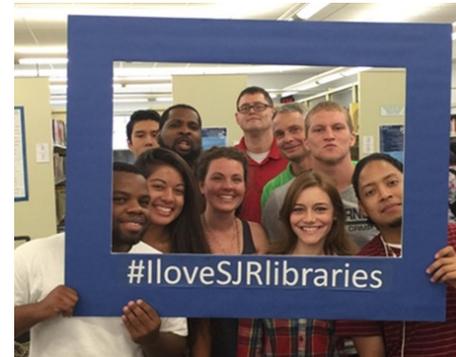
Early College Program - Nuts & Bolts: *Structure*

- College courses taught at the high school site are exactly like the college courses taught on SJR State's campuses—they are just being taught somewhere else. The student's SJR State **college** transcript will not show any indication that the course was taken at a high school site rather than on a college campus.
- College courses taught at the high school site will use the same textbook, course outline, and learning outcomes as if the courses were being taught on SJR State's campus. The faculty have the same credentials and are evaluated by SJR State staff to ensure the course outcomes are being met. High School site instructors also have a college mentor to ensure consistency.

Early College Program - Nuts & Bolts:

Services for Students & Advising

- Students enrolled in Dual Enrollment and Early College Program courses are eligible to access SJR State's library and Academic Support Center throughout high school.
- Dual Enrollment Early College Program students will be scheduled to meet with SJR State Dual Enrollment Specialists and Academic Advisors.
- All transportation to and from SJR State's Campus is the responsibility of the student/family.



Early College Program - Nuts & Bolts:

Extracurricular Activities

- While participating in the Early College Program, students are **encouraged** to participate in sports, clubs, and other extracurricular activities at the high school, including their senior year while they are taking their courses at SJR State.
- Early College Program students may also participate in student activities at SJR State, including Phi Theta Kappa International Leadership Honorary.

Graduation

- At the end of your senior year, when you complete the requirements for the Associate in Arts degree, you will be able to participate in *two* graduation ceremonies, receiving both your high school diploma and your Associate in Arts degree. Students will be permitted to wear the stole below to both their high school graduation and the College's graduation.



Early College Program: The Reality?

- When you are taking your classes on SJR State's campus, you are truly just like any other college student.
- The college calendar is often not the same as the high school calendar. In the 12th grade, if the college is open and if you are taking a class on our campus, you will be expected to attend class at SJR State's campus.
- It is the student's responsibility to contact the professor if you are having difficulty in the course or to notify the instructor of an absence. Students must communicate with their instructors; many instructors will not respond to parents.

Early College Program: The Reality?

- These are “real” College Courses—students’ college GPA and transcripts never go away.
- Students must have the social and emotional maturity to handle college level coursework and a college classroom.
- Students need to be ready to declare their college major when they are a senior in high school.
- Many career academy pathways and elective courses integrate well and allow students to participate in both high school programs and dual enrollment/Early College Program; however, it is not always possible to participate in all programs simultaneously.

Who Pays for This?

- Dual enrollment students and parents are statutorily exempt.
- This is a true financial partnership between the College and the Putnam County School District that benefits students and the community.
- The Putnam County School District covers the cost for courses and textbooks for all dual enrollment students.

Significant Savings for Students

2023-2024 SJR State In-State Tuition \$108/credit hour

\$108/Credit Hour X 60 Credits = **\$6,480**

Approximate Textbook cost for 60 credits = **\$2,840**

Total Tuition & Textbook Savings Per Student: \$9,320



Why is the Early College Program Special?

- Students in the **Early College Program** are given a defined pathway of college courses that align with their high school courses and will enable them to earn their AA Degree at high school graduation.
- **Dual Enrollment** and **Early Admissions** students are able to register for college courses, but the pathway is not defined for them.
- **The Early College Program** sets an obtainable goal of completing all 60 credits for the AA degree prior to high school graduation.
- Obtaining the AA through **Dual Enrollment** is possible but challenging.

Early College Program Admissions Process

- All eligible 8th grade students must apply to be in the Early College Program lottery through the link on the SJR High School Putnam County Page prior to **5:00pm on Friday, March 15, 2024**. Fifty students will be accepted per high school. If the number of eligible students who apply exceeds the number of seats allocated for the program, a lottery will be applied for the final selection.
- Acceptance or denial emails will be sent out the week of **April 5th** to the email address listed on the lottery application.
- See Admissions & Lottery Process document for complete details.



Early College Program Lottery Application Process

1. Go to www.sjrstate.edu/dual.html
2. Click **Early College Program**.
3. Then in the right tool bar, click **Putnam County**.
4. Review the **Principles of Participation**.
5. Click **Apply Here** (on the right).



The screenshot shows the website header for St. Johns River State College. The logo is on the left, and navigation links for 'STUDENTS', 'ACADEMICS', 'ATHLETICS', 'THE ARTS', and 'COMMUNITY' are in the center. On the right, there are 'APPLY NOW!' and 'TAKE A TOUR!' buttons. The 'ACADEMICS' menu is open, listing various programs. The 'Dual Enrollment/Early College Program' is circled in red.

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STUDENTS ▾ **ACADEMICS ▾** ATHLETICS THE ARTS ▾ COMMUNITY ▾

APPLY NOW! TAKE A TOUR!

EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS!

- A.A. Degree
- A.S. Degrees/Technical
- Bachelor's Degrees
- College Credit Certificates
- Career Certificates
- Online Degrees
- Online Courses
- Continuing Education
- Dual Enrollment/Early College Program
- GED Prep/Adult Ed
- Embry-Riddle Transfer
- Honors Program
- Teacher Education
- UNF Gateway
- Workforce Programs
- Corporate College

[Early College Program](#) ↓

(previously known as the Collegiate High School)

This program allows admitted students to complete 60 credits of dual enrollment coursework, culminating in earning both a standard high school diploma as well as an Associate of Arts (AA) Degree upon the completion of four years of high school. SJR State offers this program in Clay County at Middleburg High School and Orange Park High School, in Putnam County at Interlachen High School and Palatka High School, and in St. Johns County at Pedro Menendez High School and Toco Creek High School. This program is limited acceptance and students must meet specific criteria in order to be eligible to participate. Students commit to this program for the four years they are high school students. For more information, please refer to your county link below:

[Putnam County](#) | [Clay County](#) | [St. Johns County](#)

Questions?

Call the SJR State Dual Enrollment Office at 386-312-4136 or dualenrollment@sjrstate.edu

[CLAY COUNTY](#) ↓

[PUTNAM COUNTY](#) ↓

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COMPONENTS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY EARLY COLLEGE PROGRAM:

- Students can earn an A.A. degree while still enrolled in high school.
- Students in grades 9 -11 in Putnam county will take a defined list of college courses at the high school site in combination with high school classes, and online.
- 12th grade students will enroll full time on SJR State's campus.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Participation in Dual Enrollment in Florida requires a minimum of 3.0 un-weighted high school GPA
- Students were selected to receive an

INFORMATION

[Putnam County Information Session](#)

[Putnam County High School course plans](#)

[Principles of participation](#)

[Testing Information \(PERT\)](#)

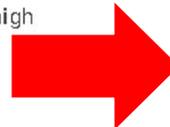
[Associate in Arts Degree](#)

Putnam County Information Sessions

- Tuesday, February 20 at Palatka Jr./Sr. High School at 6 p.m.
- Thursday, February 22 at Interlachen Jr./Sr. High School at 6 p.m.

APPLY HERE

[Putnam County Early College Lottery Application](#)



Traditional Dual Enrollment Admissions Process

- During the spring of 10th grade eligible students may apply to start Dual Enrollment during the summer before 11th grade through their high school counselor. Application deadlines will be posted each term. Please check with the high school for their specific deadline. Students can then choose to become Early Admissions students in the 12th grade.
- For more information about dual enrollment and early admissions at SJR State, go to <https://www.sjrstate.edu/dual.html>

Questions & For More Information

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