

Get a jump start on your college education!

Early College Program



Central Arizona College

The Early College program provides Pinal County high school students an opportunity to get an early start into college by taking courses while still enrolled in high school. Students accepted into the Early College program receive a tuition waiver from Central Arizona College for up to 5 college credit hours. The tuition waiver covers regular in-state tuition and fees. Students are responsible for the purchase of textbooks, class materials, and are responsible for their own transportation to and from campus.



According to the Community College Research Center, studies show that 88% of community college dual enrollment students continue in college after high school...Taking college courses in high school has the potential to help students make progress toward a college degree more efficiently.

-CCRC Press Release, September 27, 2017

With CAC's Early College Program, High School Students Can:

Experience College

Get acclimated early to the college community, and experience what it's like to be a CAC student prior to high school graduation

Save Time and Graduate Sooner

Early College participants earning college credit while in high school, may shorten their time to completing a college degree or certificate program, or transfer pathway to a university

Save Money

Early College students will save on overall cost for college completion, while learning from amazing faculty, and building knowledge for the future educational endeavors. Minimize potential debt and take advantage of affordable options for your college education



EARLY COLLEGE STUDENTS SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCES...

"Early College allowed me to get a head start in my college courses while simultaneously earning high school credit. It was a great way to get a feel for a college course while still having the safety net of high school."

-Jordan Fernandez, current CAC student (pictured above)

"Because of early college I was able to be on track for an early graduation from high school while earning credits towards my degree. It helped me become more independent & helped me stay focused on my career goals. It opened endless opportunities for me. I am very happy I took advantage of this awesome program."

-Marisa Mendoza, current CAC student

Early College FAQs

Who can participate in Early College?

Early College is for current Pinal County H.S. students* who have complete their sophomore year of high school. Students must receive authorization from their high school and a parent or legal guardian to participate in the program.

What are the Requirements to be in the Early College program?

Students must meet all eligibility requirements above, maintain a CAC college grade point average of 2.5, and register and attend a CAC new student orientation.

When are classes offered?

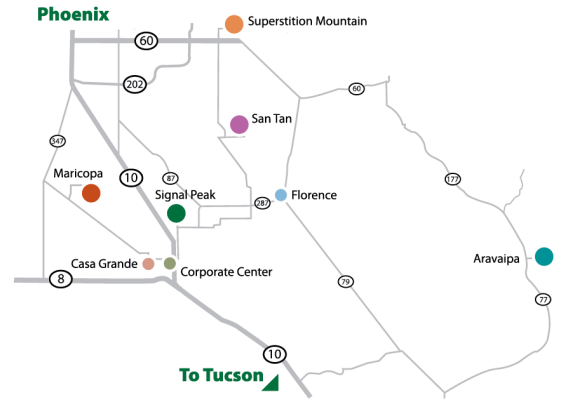
Central Arizona College offers classes throughout the Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters. Please visit centralaz.edu for a current listing of courses.

How do I get started in Early College?

- You must complete an Early College Application (obtain a copy through your school counselor) and submit to a CAC registration office.
- Complete CAC placement testing at any campus location and meet with an academic advisor to register for classes.
- Register and attend new student orientation.

**Must be a resident of Pinal County, AZ*

A Campus That Is Near YOU!



Campus:

Signal Peak Campus
8470 N. Overfield Rd.
Coolidge, AZ 85128
520-494-5444
800-237-9814

Aravaipa Campus
80440 E. Aravaipa Rd.
Winkelman, AZ 85192
520-357-2800
866-869-6507

Maricopa Campus
17945 N. Regent Drive
Maricopa, AZ 85138
520-494-6400

San Tan Campus
3736 E. Bella Vista Road
San Tan Valley, AZ 85143
480-677-7825
520-494-6725

Superstition Mountain Campus
805 S. Idaho Road
Apache Junction, AZ 85119
480-677-7700

Centers:

Casa Grande Center
1015 E. Florence Blvd.
Casa Grande, AZ 85122
520-494-6050

Corporate Center
(Interstate 10 & Florence Blvd.)
540 N. Camino Mercado
Casa Grande, AZ 85122
520-494-6600

Florence Center
P.O. Box 707
800 E. Butte Avenue
Florence, AZ 85132
520-494-6801

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