

Early College Program
at
Bullock Creek High School

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Introductions

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Bullock Creek Early College Program

- ✦ Our Early College Program blends high school and college in a rigorous yet supportive program, offering students an opportunity to complete a high school diploma and up to the first two years of college in five years.
- ✦ Students begin the program during their junior year and must apply second semester of their sophomore year.
- ✦ Program has been approved by Michigan Department of Education. This is a state program, so BC has to follow the guidelines and procedures that they mandate.

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Bullock Creek Early College Program

CORE PHILOSOPHY OF EARLY COLLEGE PROGRAMS:

- ✦ Providing support to students who may not attend college or may need additional support to be successful in college
- ✦ Emphasis on helping student to complete a college degree
- ✦ BCECP has benefits for many students

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Dual Enrollment

- ✦ Typically students wait to dual enroll until 11th grade
- ✦ Current tuition covered at \$725/course. If there is remaining tuition it is the student/parent responsibility
- ✦ Students may not enroll in more than 10 courses throughout HS and no more than 6 during either 11th or 12th grades
- ✦ Transportation is the responsibility of the student
- ✦ Grades are reported on high school transcript and factored into cumulative GPA, unless otherwise declared in writing prior to the start of the semester

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Bullock Creek Early College Program - Core Components

- ✦ Formal partnership with Delta College – all college courses will be taken through Delta
- ✦ Students enrolled in BCECP are committed to a 5th year of high school and defer their diploma until 2027
- ✦ Students earn college credits through dual enrollment, with course grades placed on their BC transcript and factored into their GPA, unless otherwise declared in writing prior to the start of the semester
- ✦ Students must complete 5th year math requirement and enroll in a minimum of 12 credits per semester in order to receive a diploma.

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Earning a Diploma Through BCECP

- ✦ BCECP students need to complete BC graduation requirement to meet the Michigan Merit Curriculum and
 - ✦ Complete one of the following:
 1. 60 transferable college credits
 2. Associate Degree
 3. E/MC Technical Certificate (15 credits +)

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E/MC Technical Certificate

COMPLETION OF THE FOLLOWING:

- ✦ Bullock Creek Graduation Requirements
- ✦ Minimum 15 college credit hours
 - AND (one of the following options):
 - ✦ 100 hours of verified community service
 - ✦ Minimum 40 hours of verified career exploration, internship, job shadowing or clinical experience
 - ✦ Or a combination of the two that equals 70+ hours

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Qualifying for BCECP

Students selected beginning of 2nd Semester of sophomore year

- ✦ Student Application with Reference Forms completed
- ✦ Determined "College Ready"
 - ✦ Academic skills/prior school success
 - ✦ Standardized Test Scores
 - ✦ Accuplacer – Placement Test
 - ✦ Social maturity

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Application Process

- ✦ Sophomore students complete the BCECP Application by Wednesday, February 14 and submit to the Counseling Center
- ✦ Two recommendation forms are included in the application and must be completed and returned in the sealed envelopes by February 14

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Selection Criteria

- ✦ Student's academic history in 9th and 10th grades (minimum 2.0 GPA) will be reviewed, including transcripts and standardized test scores (such as PSAT).
- ✦ Student's discipline and attendance/tardy records will be reviewed to assess social maturity and college readiness.

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Selection Criteria

- ✦ Recommendation Forms will be reviewed.
- ✦ Following the application screening, potential candidates will be contacted to schedule a personal student interview.
- ✦ After acceptance to BCECP and completion of the Delta application, students are required to take the Self-Guided Placement through Delta College to determine placement in courses.

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College Ready?

Is student academically ready to handle college courses?

- ✦ Selection Process will review grades and standardized test scores
- ✦ Self-Guided Placement completed through Delta College helps to determine placement in college courses
- ✦ Based on class placement, student may need to take remedial courses, which will not count towards a degree

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College Ready?

Is student socially mature enough to handle the responsibilities associated with a college atmosphere?

- ✦ Completing work in class
- ✦ Attendance, tardies, discipline
- ✦ Recommendation Forms

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Example of Student Schedule

- ✦ 9th Grade – all classes at BC
- ✦ 10th Grade – all classes at BC
- ✦ 11th Grade – 5 classes/semester at BC, 1 Delta course/semester
 - ✦ Recommend/Require ABS 101W – College Success
- ✦ 12th Grade – 2 classes/semester at BC, 3 Delta courses/semester
 - ✦ Exact schedule will be determined in conjunction with BCECP Coordinator with input from Delta Academic Advisor
- ✦ 13th Year – all Delta courses (minimum of 12 credits each semester)
 - ✦ Must have a math course that Delta counts as a math credit

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BCECP = BCHS STUDENTS

- ✦ All courses and grades (high school and college) are placed on BC transcript and factored into a student's GPA.
- ✦ BC, along with support from Delta College, assists in selecting the Delta courses.
- ✦ Students may participate in the 2026 graduation ceremony if they have completed BC graduation requirements (excluding 5th year math).
- ✦ BCECP students are eligible for academic honors after their 4th year if they have met all BCHS graduation requirements, but not during their 5th year.

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- ❖ All 5th year courses are taken through Delta College
- ❖ Students are not eligible to apply for college scholarships that require them to be a "graduating senior" until their 5th year.
- ❖ FAFSA should not be completed until a student's 5th year.
- ❖ Students follow both the BC School District calendar and the Delta College calendar
 - ❖ Winter Break/Spring Break
 - ❖ Snow Days
 - ❖ Professional Development Day/Half Day

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- ❖ Sports – Students are eligible to participate in high school athletics for 4 years. The 5th year students are not eligible for high school, but can be eligible for Delta athletics (recently approved).
- ❖ Sports – Students ability to participate in high school sports will be dependent upon college course schedule, allowing students to meet practice and game requirements.
- ❖ National Honor Society – Students with at least a 3.5 GPA after 1st semester of junior year are invited to apply.

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Can a Student Leave the Program?

- ❖ This is a state program, so BC has to follow the guidelines and procedures that they mandate.
- ❖ Once a student enrolls in BCECP, the student is expected to complete all BCECP requirements, including 5th year at Delta and 5th year math, and at least the MEMCA Certificate.
- ❖ A student who fails classes or drops out of the program due to academic performance in their 5th year may be considered a drop out and may not receive their diploma.
- ❖ If a student fails, withdraws, or is dropped from a dual enrolled course, he/she must reimburse the district for any costs incurred.

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Next Steps...

- ❖ January 31 – Parent Meeting Night (check this date off your list ☺)
- ❖ February 14 – Applications and Recommendation Forms submitted to the Counseling Center
- ❖ Late February – Interview candidates
- ❖ March – Form 10th BCECP Cohort
- ❖ March – Scheduling students for Delta classes
- ❖ May – Tour and Orientation at Delta College
- ❖ 2024-25 school year – 10th BCECP Cohort begins

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