



Wharton County Junior College

Dual Credit (Concurrent)/Early Admission Guidelines

Public/Private/Home-schooled high school students may enroll in Wharton County Junior College (WCJC) Dual Credit/Concurrent courses and as an Early Admission student. These Guidelines are subject to change based on information received by WCJC from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) and the laws of the state of Texas.

Required documents:

1. **Submit your application** online at https://www.applytexas.org/adappc/gen/c_start.WBX. The on-line application is quick and easy, follow the steps. Once your application has been processed, you will receive letter by email or regular mail service that will outline the next steps you need to take in the admissions process and ask you to set up your college online services account (how you will register for classes). Processing time may vary during peak registration periods. Please allow up to 96 hours processing time. You only need to submit one new application. It is not necessary to submit an application for every term you wish to register for dual credit courses.

Additional Registration and Admissions information is located at <http://www.wcjc.edu/Admissions/admissions-and-registration/procedures.aspx>. Please pay particular attention to the Dual Credit Section.

2. **A current, official high school transcript.** A transcript will be required to document current enrollment. Official high school transcript can be sent electronically to the Registrar's office, mailed to Wharton County Junior College, 911 Boling Highway-Wharton, TX 77488, or hand delivered to any WCJC campus in a sealed envelope from the high school. Private school students will need to submit an official record of their academic work with the signature of the school's chief's principal/head master/registrar in a sealed envelope. Home school students will need to submit a notarized record of the academic work with a parent or legal guardian signature. Unofficial transcripts will be accepted on a temporary basis. Students will need to produce an official copy.

3. **Official exemption test scores that meet the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) as required by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for Dual Credit/Concurrent/Early Admission,** exemptions include:

- The student achieves a Level 2 final recommended score (4000) on the English II STAAR (reading and writing) and/or student achieves a Level 2 final recommended score (4000) on the Algebra I STAAR and a passing grade in a high school Algebra II course (mathematics)
- The student achieves a Level 2 final recommend score on the English III STAAR (reading and writing) and/or student achieves a Level 2 final recommended scores on the Algebra II STAAR(mathematics)
- The student achieves an SAT combined total score of 1070, or higher, with a minimum of 500 in both math and critical reading (verbal) taken within time limits defined by the THECB rule-5 years from the date of testing.
- The student achieves an ACT composite score of 23, or higher, with a minimum of 19, or higher, on both math and English taken within the limits defined by the THECB rule-5 years from the date of testing.
- The student achieves a minimum TSIA test score of 351 on the reading section, a minimum 350 on the math section and a writing essay score of 5 or an essay score of 4 with a minimum objective score of 351

4. **Completed Certificate for Early Admission form**, available online at <http://www.wcjc.edu/Admissions/admissions-and-registration/student-forms.aspx>. This form can also be requested from the high school counselor's office. Signatures from the Student, Parent/Legal

Guardian, and Principal/Head of Instruction are required.

ALUTV (Interactive Television Courses) classes are “pooled” with other high schools and a specific number of seats are allocated to each school. Enrollment in ITV or any dual credit class taught by a WCJC instructor are on a “first come, first serve” basis. Students who register and pay first will be enrolled in the class. When the class reaches its maximum number of students, the class will be closed. High school students are not allowed to take remedial/developmental courses.

Students must register and pay for classes every semester. Early registration and payment ensures a class seat.

- Early Fall registration begins in early July
- Early Spring registration begins in early November
- Early Summer registration begins in early April

5. **A new state law** now requires first time in college students receive a **bacterial meningitis vaccination**. To learn more about required documentation, exemptions, and how to exempt the vaccination

<http://www.wcjc.edu/Admissions/admissions-and-registration/vaccination.aspx>.

Financial information: Tuition and fees must be paid at the time of registration each semester. Tuition and fees are charged according to the number of semester credit hours (SCH) a student enrolls in. Current tuition and general fees are published on the website, <http://www.wcjc.edu/Admissions/admissions-and-registration/tuition-and-fees.aspx>.



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| Social Security Number | | | |
| Student Name | Last | First | Middle Initial |
| Student Address | Street Address | City, State, Zip | |
| Student Email Address | Student Telephone Number () _____ - _____ | | |

STUDENT'S AGREEMENT

I certify that

1. I am a student enrolled at _____ High School.
2. I meet the Texas Success Initiative as required by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.
3. The course(s) in which I wish to enroll will not affect my UIL participation.

I understand that I will be considered a college student and will be subject and will be subject to Wharton County Junior College (WCJC) rules and regulations while enrolled in WCJC courses.

I understand that dual credit courses follow the WCJC academic calendar and must meet the number of contact hours reported to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

While I am a student at Wharton County Junior College, I hereby grant the college permission to release my grade reports or other academic information to my parents or legal guardians as specified below and to the counselor and/or administrator at the above named high school.

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| Parent's/ Legal Guardian's Name | Street Address | City, State, Zip |
| Student's Signature | Date | |

PARENT'S CONSENT

I certify that I am the parent (or legal guardian) of the above named student. I give my permission for him/her to enroll as a Dual Credit/Concurrent or Early Admission student at Wharton County Junior College. I understand that he/she will be considered a college student and will be subject to Wharton County Junior College rules and regulations while enrolled in WCJC courses. I understand that there are tuition and fees involved for each WCJC course.

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| Parent's/Legal Guardian's Signature | Date |
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SCHOOL'S CERTIFICATION

I certify that

1. The above named student is enrolled at _____ High School and has met the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) as required by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB). *Students who have not satisfied TSI requirements and have not graduated from high school may not enroll in WCJC developmental courses per THECB rules.*
2. The student is currently enrolled in high school courses.
3. I believe the student can perform satisfactory college-level work, and I recommend that he/she be allowed to enroll in college-level courses at WCJC.
4. I understand that dual credit courses follow the WCJC academic calendar and must meet the number of contact hours reported to Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

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| Principal's/Head of Instruction's Signature | Date |
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