

Changes to Youth Options and Course Options Programs

Effective July 1, 2018, if students choose to enroll in courses at another Wisconsin public high school, technical college, or university for high school and/or college credit, they have three options.

1. Part-time Open Enrollment (replaces the current Course Options program)
2. Early College Credit Program (ECCP) - formally known as Youth Options
3. "Start College Now"

The Part-time Open Enrollment program allows a student already enrolled in high school to take up to two courses in another Wisconsin public school district. Currently, the Germantown School District does not have any students enrolled in another Wisconsin public school through Course Options; however, we do have a few students from the School District of Menomonee Falls attending Germantown High School for AP Chemistry.

The Early College Credit Program (ECCP) allows a currently enrolled high school student to attend an Institution of Higher Education (IHE) which includes the University of Wisconsin systems, Wisconsin tribal colleges, or Wisconsin private colleges and universities. Students would enroll in a course through the ECCP program for the purpose of taking courses required for graduation when a comparable course is not offered at Germantown High School.

Students in grade 11 or 12 can choose to enroll in courses at any Wisconsin technical college through the "Start College Now" program. Germantown High School has students who have applied for courses at local technical colleges.

The deadline for notifying the Germantown School District of the intent to enroll in any of the three programs for the upcoming fall semester is **March 1**. The deadline for applying for second semester courses is **October 1**. Students choosing to enroll in a summer course at an IHE through the Early College Credit Program should apply by March 1.

If a student takes a course for postsecondary credit only and there is no comparable course offered at Germantown School District, the family/student will be responsible for 25% of the cost of the course. If students take a course required for graduation and the Germantown School District does not offer a comparable course, there is no cost to the family/student. Transportation for any of the programs is the responsibility of the parent/student.

Students can take a maximum of 18 credits through any combination of the programs. However, a student is not able to enroll in more than one program per semester.

Students should contact their school counselor prior to **March 1** if they intend to enroll in any of the three programs for the summer or fall semester and **October 1** for the spring semester.