

High School Programs

Career and Technical Education (CTE) Dual Credit

CTE Dual Credit allows high school students to earn high school and college credit at the same time, saving money and getting a head start on college and career pathways. Through partnerships with local school districts, students who successfully complete approved CTE courses with a grade of B or better can earn free college credit that aligns with professional/technical programs at LCC. High school CTE teachers and college faculty work together to ensure courses meet industry standards, giving students a strong foundation for high-demand careers.

Phone number (Student Contact): (360) 442-2496

Phone number (District Contact): (360) 353-7802

Webpage: lowercolumbia.edu/cte

Located in the Admissions Center (ADC)

College in the High School (CHS)

The LCC College in the High School program is a collaborative partnership between local school districts and Lower Columbia College. Through this program, qualified high school instructors teach college-level courses within their own classrooms, ensuring alignment with the same learning objectives as those taught on the LCC campus. Working closely with LCC faculty liaisons, instructors maintain academic rigor and course equivalency. Upon successful completion, students earn both high school and college credit. High school instructors must apply to the program

and receive approval for their course to participate.

Phone number: (360) 442-2370

Webpage: lowercolumbia.edu/chs

Located in the Alan Thompson Library (LIB) 136

General Education Development (GED)

Lower Columbia College is an official GED testing center. Adults who did not finish high school may earn high school credentials by taking this series of four tests. Practice and instruction is available to help you prepare for the GED test through College and Career Preparation. See below for contact and other important information.

Testing

Phone number: (360) 442-2360

Webpage: lowercolumbia.edu/ged

Located in the Main Building (MAN)

Instruction (College and Career Preparation)

Phone number: (360) 442-2580

Webpage: lowercolumbia.edu/ccp/ccp

Located in the Admissions Center (ADC) 151

High School+

Students who want to complete a Washington State High School Diploma and prepare for college or career conveniently and affordably, enroll in the High School+ program.

Tailored for adults with busy schedules, High School+ credit bearing classes are available morning, afternoon, and evening.

Different than traditional high school completion programs, High School+:

- awards credit for prior learning achieved through work, life, and military experience

- awards credit for previous high school and college transcripts
- offers a diploma that is more accepted by the military than other equivalency options
- opens the door to federal financial aid for college
- helps to develop or refresh the knowledge and skills required for college-level classes
- helps students prepare for college entrance exams

Students must demonstrate competency in English and math in the context of required subjects including science, history, government, occupational education, health and fine arts. Tuition is just \$25 per quarter. Financial assistance is available for those who need it. See below for contact and other important information.

Phone number: [\(360\) 442-2580](tel:3604422580)

Webpage: lowercolumbia.edu/ccp/hs-plus

Located in the Admissions Center (ADC) 151

Open Doors

Open Doors is a youth re-engagement program that provides education and services to older youth, ages 16-21, who have dropped out of school, are behind on credits and not expected to graduate on time, or are failing to thrive in the traditional high school environment. Area school districts, including Longview and Kelso, have partnered with LCC to offer this alternative path to a GED, high school diploma, and/or vocational training. Students complete high school courses in a flexible, competency-based program. Classes are available face-to-face, hybrid and online, and instructors and staff are available to assist every step of the way. Eligible students can also begin work on a certificate or college degree while applying those same classes to their high school requirements. Tuition, books, supplies, tutoring and individual career guidance are provided at no cost.

Phone number: [\(360\) 442-2692](tel:3604422692)

Webpage: lowercolumbia.edu/high-school-programs/open-doors

Located in Physical Science (PSC) 106

Running Start

Running Start allows qualifying Washington State high school juniors and seniors to enroll into college level courses and earn college and high school credits at the same time. The program covers tuition costs for those who meet minimum academic requirements. Students who qualify for free or reduced lunch may also receive assistance with fees and books. Visit LCC's Running Start webpages or call the Running Start Office to learn more. See below for contact and other important information.

Phone number: [\(360\) 442-2442](tel:3604422442)

Webpage: lowercolumbia.edu/running-start

Located upstairs in the Student Center (STC) - second floor