### **ACM EARLY COLLEGE**

Engage Your Future: Discover College Now!

If you are a high school student, you are eligible to enroll in college classes through Allegany College of Maryland.

#### **Early College Benefits**

- ▶ Save ½ the cost of tuition! Early College students receive a 50% tuition discount
- ▶ At your convenience! Classes available on-campus, online, or at your high school
- ▶ 2 for 1! Some courses may count toward your high school graduation
- ▶ Get a jump start! Apply courses to an ACM degree or transfer your credits
- ▶ Articulated credit! Certain high school classes can qualify for articulated college credit based on program requirements

ACM Early College classes are offered on site in certain high schools in Allegany, Bedford, Blair, Franklin, Fulton, and Somerset counties.

### **Early College Classes**

Courses students commonly enroll in include, but are not limited to:

- ▶ Biology/Sciences
- Freshman English
- Speech

- College Algebra
- Psychology
- Statistics
- ► Computer Science/Cybersecurity
- Sociology

Course offerings and availability are dependent on school schedules, student need, and staffing.

#### **Get Started**

- ► Apply to ACM www.allegany.edu/admissionsapplication
- ► Meet minimum eligibility requirements

▶ Students meeting the minimum eligibility requirements will be able to officially enroll in early college courses.

#### We can help you Engage Your Future!

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### **Frequently Asked Questions**

# 1. What are the primary benefits of ACM's Early College Program?

Students will:

- ▶ Get a head start in their college career with courses from an accredited college.
- ▶ Complete classes that may also count toward high school graduation.
- Experience small classes where personal attention is abundant.
- Finish their college degree with ACM or transfer credits to other institutions.

### 2. What are the financial benefits of ACM's Early College Program?

- ▶ Earn college credit at 50% of the cost of a traditional student.
- ▶ Save on fees. Some fees are waived for early college students.
- ▶ Borrow less to complete your degree by getting a jump start on your credits while in high school.

Note: The generosity of ECM Insurance Group and other Educational Improvement Tax Credit partners will enable early college students registered through the Bedford County Campus of ACM to take early college classes tuition free during fall and spring semesters. Registration fees and textbooks will also be covered by this educational investment.

#### 3. Who is eligible to take early college classes?

Students must:

- ▶ Meet the eligibility standards set from their school.
- ▶ Meet with an ACM Early College staff member to discuss eligibility based on variable measures.

## 4. Are early college courses really the same as those offered at the campuses?

- ▶ Early college courses offered in the high schools must use the same curriculum, assessments, and instructional materials as those offered at the campuses.
- ▶ Instructors follow college requirements regarding syllabi, textbooks, academic standards, and number of classroom hours.

## 5. What if my son/daughter is absent on the day of an early college visit?

If a student is absent when the Early College Program representative visits the schools, it is the student's responsibility to make contact with the representative to complete the necessary paperwork. The school district accepts no responsibility to complete the enrollment process.

