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KCPS Early College Academy

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THE MISSION

of Early College Academy is to provide an opportunity for highly motivated high school students to participate in the rigor of being college students. Students will earn high school credits while earning college credits as they attend classes, on a college campus.

ABOUT ECA

The Early College Academy (ECA) is a partnership between Kansas City Public Schools (KCPS) and Metropolitan Community College – Penn Valley. The program was developed for highly motivated KCPS high school students ready to engage in a high school environment and participate in the rigor of college.

ECA students earn high school credits while also earning college credits as they attend classes on the Penn Valley campus.

The ultimate goal of ECA is for KCPS students to graduate with both their high school diploma and an associates degree. With the first two years paid for by KCPS, students can then finish their Bachelor's degree at minimal cost.

Making education affordable

As a KCPS student, ECA scholars do not pay out-of-pocket for their classes at Penn Valley. Tuition, fees and books are covered as part of the program; however, students need to provide their own transportation to campus.

Transition from high school to college

In order to be successful, students must maintain a minimum of around a C average in all classes and will receive ongoing support from the ECA staff. The program will help students effectively transition from high school to more rigorous college expectations, helping to prepare students for life at a major university.

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