

# How to Begin a College in the High School Course/Program

## Initial Questions for District/School Staff to Consider:

- What courses are students requesting/needing that could be met by a CHS course?
- Will there be sufficient demand for a CHS courses?
  - Many colleges require that a minimum number of high school students register for the college's course before it can be offered as a CHS course in the high school.
- Which teachers are interested in teaching and qualified to teach a CHS course?
  - Many colleges require that high school teachers have a Master's Degree in the content area of the CHS course.
- How will CHS courses complement other dual credit, advanced or college preparatory courses already offered?
- What options exist to help interested students cover the costs associated with taking a CHS course for college credit?
  - Does your school qualify for any of the state-funded subsidies?
    - Districts must apply by July 1 each year for the state subsidies allocated through iGrant #732.
  - Will your school or students be able to purchase any necessary textbooks?
  - Are there any available resources within the district or community for low- income students?
  - Will the school subsidize students who cannot afford to register for the CHS course's available college credit?
- What is the school or district process and timeline for getting approval to offer a CHS course?

## Where to Start:

- Each college has its own process for establishing the contract with a partner district
  - The Washington Student Achievement Council maintains a [list of colleges](#) offering a CHS option
- To explore what courses each college offers and to learn more about their process to start a course, go to the institution's webpage and type "college in the high school" into their search box to get more information.
  - Other search words that might work include "high school programs", "(college name) in the high school" or "transfer credit"