

The Early College Experience





Is Early College for you???

*Iredell-Statesville Schools has
3 Early Colleges.*

CCTL (Collaborative College of Technology & Leadership)
Located on Mitchell Community College Campus.

Crossroads (Crossroads Arts and Science Early College)
Located on Statesville High School Campus.

ASEC (Agriculture and Science Early College) Located on
North Iredell High School Campus.

Cost of College



- Community Colleges –\$3,500 to \$4,500 per year
- 16 UNC system cost –\$13,000 to \$25,000 per year
- 36 Private and Independent colleges - \$25,000 to \$81,000 per year

Early College Education

- Traditional high school plus two years of college takes 6 years.
- Early College allows you to complete both a high school diploma and an Associate's degree in 4-5 years.



****2 YEARS OF COLLEGE FOR FREE****

Guaranteed Acceptance

- If you graduate with an **Associate in Arts, Associate in Science, Associate in Engineering, or Associate in Fine Arts** the Articulation Agreement (state law) **guarantees acceptance** in one of the 16 UNC system universities.
- These degrees will transfer to over 40 colleges and universities in NC. So, you will enter a four-year school as a **junior**. This is guaranteed under 2 statewide articulation agreements, CAA & ICAA.
- Your **grades** will determine to which college you are admitted. You must make Cs or better in your college courses to earn your associate degree.

Demanding Curriculum

- **All honors level** high school courses, including accelerated high school Math and English courses.
- Students begin taking college courses their freshman year.
- By their junior year many students have 2 or more college courses each semester.
- Project Based Learning incorporated into all high school classes. We have smaller classes and much smaller student body.
- Ideal students don't have to have straight A's, but need to have a strong work ethic.

How are we the same?

Transportation

- The early colleges share buses from all over the county. (Shuttle bus stops only; not door to door.)

Calendar

- Classes begin early August and end late May.
- 4/4 block course schedule

School Hours

- Approximately 8AM to 3PM

Lunch

- Served on early college campus in a separate lunch block

How are we the same? (cont.)

Programs

- Most students pursue the **Associate in Arts, Associate in Science, Associate in Engineering, or Associate in Fine Arts** traditional transfer degrees, through Mitchell Community College
- You can also pursue any other Associate in Applied Science degree through Mitchell. Examples:
 - Culinary Arts; Criminal Justice; EMT
 - Engineering Technologies
 - Agribusiness Technology and more!
- Additional fees may be associated some of the specialty courses.

How are we the same? (cont.)

Dress Code

- Same as traditional high school

Activities

- Prom - one major social event for all 3 early colleges
- Clubs - each early college has onsite clubs
- Other school activities and events

How are we different from AP and IB?

AP and IB courses are high school, not college courses. Students only receive college credit if they score high enough on an end of course exam for these courses.

Collaborative College of Technology & Leadership (CCTL)



CCTL

- Located on Mitchell College Campus
- Students return to their district high school to participate in sports.
- Students may participate in Marching Band and JROTC teams after school at SHS.
- Transportation for sports is the student's responsibility.
- Adobe Digital Media software is learned in the freshmen year.



Clubs at CCTL

- Student Event Association (SEA)
- Interact (community service)
- Chess; Battle of the Books
- Gaming; Strings; Prom
- Drone/Rocket
- Yearbook; Digital Media
- Model United Nations
- Student Court
- Innovation Space (STEM)
- Robotics via Iredell County 4-H
- plus Mitchell College clubs

Crossroads Arts & Science Early College



Crossroads

- Located on the third floor at Statesville High School.
- Attend college classes on Mitchell Campus via shuttle bus.
- Students can participate in sports and cheerleading, Marching Band, Band Dancers and JROTC at Statesville High School
- Bus transportation provided for students to games or practice.

Crossroads' Electives at SHS

- At Statesville High School, students can participate in:

- Dance
- Art
- Theater
- Band
- Chorus
- Piano
- Guitar
- JROTC



- At Crossroads, freshman can choose:
 - Honors Career Management, Honors Business Essentials

Clubs at Crossroads

- National Beta Club (Crossroads)
- Student Council (Crossroads)
- FBLA (Crossroads)
- Yearbook (Crossroads)
- Battle of the Books (Crossroads)
- Inkers (Crossroads)
- The Science Friday Club (Crossroads)
- Chess Club (Crossroads)
- Gaming Club (Crossroads)
- Theater Club (Crossroads and SHS)
- National Art Honor Society (Crossroads and SHS)
- Interact (Crossroads and SHS)

Agriculture & Science Early College



Agriculture & Science Early College

- Located in I building on the North Iredell High School campus (new gym)
- MCC Classes taught at ASEC in the MCC-North Center
- Students participate in sports, cheerleading, Marching Band, JROTC, and agriculture classes at NIHS.
- Students are not required to take Agriculture Classes or pursue a degree in Agriculture.

Clubs/Activities at ASEC

- Beta Club
- Student Council
- Yearbook
- Peer Tutoring
- Connect Crew
- Book Club
- Recycling Club
- JROTC (at NIHS)
- Band, Chorus, Art, Theatre
- FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes)
- FFA (Future Farmers of America)
- JETS (Junior Engineering and Technology)

Mitchell Community College



Mitchell Community College

- All early college students take ACA 111 (College Success Class)
- Student Accounts: Self-Service, BlackBoard (Open LMS), and Microsoft Office 365 email account
- Faculty Advisor- all students will have an on campus college advisor
- Mind Center – Free tutoring in any college course
- Upswing - Free online tutoring is also available
- Writing Center – Free support for writing papers

Mitchell Clubs and Organizations

- SGA -Student Government
- Phi Theta Kappa - (Invitation based on GPA)
- S.A.F.E (Student Alliance for Equality)
- Man2Man (Minority Male Mentoring)
- Student Political Assembly
- Campus Impact Club
- Eason Music Club
- Math Club
- Jazz Ensemble
- Student Choir
- Students can create clubs if they have at least 5 members and a Mitchell advisor (Faculty/Staff)



Application

When

- Applications available online on Dec 1, 2022 and must be completed by January 15, 2023.

How

- Applications will be submitted online through any of the 3 Early College sites.

Who

- You will need recommendations from your math and ELA teachers and your school counselor. These are also submitted online.

Decisions, Decisions

- Notification of acceptance ~ mid-February into March.
- 24 hour time frame to accept Early College seat

Open House Dates

Crossroads

- Monday, November 28th from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

CCTL

- Tuesday, November 29th from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM
- Saturday, December 3rd from 10:00AM to 12:00PM

ASEC

- Tuesday, December 13th from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Questions???

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CCTL Graduation



Crossroads Class of 2018



Begin with the End in Mind

ASEC Class of 2021



We would love for you to join us as an Early College Student! Make sure to submit your application online!

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