

SELECT FOR SUCCESS

THE RIGHT STUDENTS FOR THE RIGHT REASONS

Kirkwood partners with area school districts to prepare students to learn essential skills and earn college credit through a variety of concurrent enrollment options. Iowa law requires students, instructors and institutions to meet certain criteria to be eligible to participate in this programming.

To participate, students must:

- Satisfy Kirkwood Community College prerequisites, which may include a satisfactory placement score for reading, writing and math, indicated by the college's recognized placement exams.

OPTIONS TO EARN COLLEGE CREDIT IN HIGH SCHOOL AT KIRKWOOD:

Arts and Science Academy

- To participate in liberal arts courses, students must demonstrate proficiency in each of the three academic areas – math, science and reading – as indicated by Iowa Assessment Testing or an alternative measure of proficiency adopted by the school board. Students must also satisfy Kirkwood Community College prerequisites.

Career Academy

- Participation in career and technical courses is not based on proficiency of Iowa Assessment scores. Students will need to satisfy Kirkwood Community College prerequisites on individual courses as needed.

ADDITIONAL INDICATORS OF SUCCESS:

Academic skills or standing:

- Satisfactory attendance record
- Successfully completes related high school coursework (where applicable)
- Completes all assignments by due date, including assigned readings
- Demonstrates self-motivation as a learner
- Applies classroom learning to real-life cases, observations and service learning
- Has a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5

Personal traits/dispositions:

- Demonstrates respect for others
- Exhibits intellectual curiosity and openness to new ideas
- Works well as part of a team
- Demonstrates honesty and ethical decision-making
- Willingness to devote several hours each week outside of class to study, review and prepare for coursework

Maturity:

- Demonstrates self-advocacy and communication of needs
- Completes successful transition into junior or senior year of high school
- Successfully manages academic, work, extracurricular and other commitments
- Takes responsibility for their learning and success