

# RUNNING START

# RUNNING START BASICS

- You must be a Junior or Senior high school student
- Earn college and high school credit
- Available Fall, Winter, and Spring Quarters at the college
- Able to take 15 college level credits (full-time) per quarter - FREE TUITION
- 5 college credits = 1.0 high school credit
- Students can take 1 class at RHS and 15 credits at college for free tuition
- Only 100> level courses count for college credit and Running Start funding
- You must apply to the college and take entrance exam and/or submit the required documents to register for college courses

# RUNNING START CONSIDERATIONS

- DIFFERENT SCHEDULES – COLLEGE AND HIGH SCHOOL CALENDARS DIFFER
- PARENT/GUARDIANS WILL NOT RECEIVE INFO FROM COLLEGE  
(FAMILY EDUCATIONAL PRIVACY ACT– FERPA)
- PROFESSORS WILL NOT BE REMINDING STUDENT OF DEADLINES
- CLASSES MOVE AT A FASTER PACE
- COMMUNICATION IS KEY!!!

- FLEXIBLE SCHEDULE – CHOOSE CLASS SCHEDULE & PROFESSOR
- ABILITY TO EARN ASSOCIATES OF ARTS DEGREE (AA)
- GRADES APPEAR ON PERMANENT COLLEGE TRANSCRIPT
- FREE RESOURCES ON CAMPUS:
  - \* Tutoring Center
  - \* MH Counseling
  - \* Academic Advising
  - \* Career Advising

## ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

**\* Running Start is NOT 100% Free - Every quarter a student pays:**

**\*Student/Course Fees**

**\*Books/Supplies**

(NOTE: FREE/REDUCED LUNCH ELIGIBLE - FEES MAY BE WAIVED BY THE COLLEGE)

- **Must provide own transportation – students cannot be on RHS campus if not scheduled in a class**
- **Running Start is a year-long commitment – if you return to RHS mid-year you will be credit deficient and must make up required high school graduation credits**

# NEW RUNNING START STEPS

## STEP 1:

- **ATTEND** A RUNNING START INFORMATION SESSION, SEE BELOW:
  - PIERCE COLLEGE VISIT: [WWW.PIERCE.CTC.EDU/VISIT#RUNNING-START](http://WWW.PIERCE.CTC.EDU/VISIT#RUNNING-START) TO SIGN UP
  - VIEW RUNNING START POWER POINT AT: [HTTPS://RHS.PUYALLUP.K12.WA.US/COUNSELING\\_\\_\\_CAREER\\_CENTER](https://rhs.puyallup.k12.wa.us/counseling___CAREER_CENTER)

## STEP 2:

- **APPLY** TO THE COLLEGE OF YOUR CHOICE
  - PIERCE COLLEGE – [WWW.PIERCE.CTC.EDU/RUNNING-START](http://WWW.PIERCE.CTC.EDU/RUNNING-START)
  - CLOVER PARK – [WWW.CPTC.EDU/RUNNING-START](http://WWW.CPTC.EDU/RUNNING-START)
  - TACOMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE – [WWW.TACOMACC.EDU](http://WWW.TACOMACC.EDU)

**\*\*AFTER YOU APPLY TO THE COLLEGE OF YOUR CHOICE - YOU WILL RECEIVE AN EMAIL BACK FROM THE COLLEGE WITH A COLLEGE ID NUMBER AND INSTRUCTIONS ABOUT HOW TO COMPLETE YOUR ENROLLMENT**

## STEP 3:

- **TAKE** THE COLLEGE ENTRANCE TEST TO BE ELIGIBLE TO TAKE COLLEGE-LEVEL ENGLISH/MATH COURSES
  - \*TEST RESULTS MUST SHOW ELIGIBILITY TO TAKE COLLEGE-LEVEL ENGLISH/MATH  
(NOTE: YOU MUST TAKE ALGEBRA II AT RHS IF YOU HAVE NOT YET TAKEN THE CLASS)
  - PIERCE COLLEGE: CONTACT THE TESTING CENTER AT: [PUYTESTING@PIERCE.CTC.EDU](mailto:PUYTESTING@PIERCE.CTC.EDU)
  - IF YOU ARE ATTENDING A DIFFERENT COLLEGE, CONTACT THE COLLEGE DIRECTLY FOR INFO

#### **STEP 4:**

**SCHEDULE** AN APPOINTMENT WITH YOUR RHS COUNSELOR – APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE AFTER **MARCH 28<sup>TH</sup>**

\*YOU WILL RECEIVE THE RUNNING START GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS WORKSHEET

\*YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MEETING ALL HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS INDICATED

\*THIS WORKSHEET WILL BE USED WHEN MEETING WITH YOUR COLLEGE ADVISOR

(Note: colleges other than Pierce & Clover Park will also involve the Enrollment Verification Form(EVF)

**\*\*To schedule an appointment please call (253)841-8722 or stop by the RHS Counseling Office before school, after school or at lunch. You can also email Ms. Ducette, RHS Registrar, to request an appointment at:**

**[ducetme@puyallup.k12.wa.us](mailto:ducetme@puyallup.k12.wa.us)\*\***

**You must bring/present the following two documents to your appointment:**

- 1) Running Start Agreement Form initialed and signed by you and your parent/guardian**
- 2) Your college placement test results (Guided Self Placement, or other required test)**

**(Note: if you do not have these 2 documents your appointment will be re-scheduled)**



# WORKSHEET


-NEW RS STUDENTS WILL BE GIVEN A GRADATION REQUIREMENTS WORKSHEET AT THE INITIAL APPOINTMENT

-THE RHS COUNSELOR WILL INDICATE WHAT CREDITS ARE STILL NEEDED FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

-STUDENT IS RESPONSIBLE TO MAINTAIN/UPDATE AND KEEP TRACK OF HIGH SCHOOL CREDITS EARNED EACH QUARTER ON THE WORKSHEET


-THERE WILL BE A 2<sup>ND</sup> REQUIRED APPOINTMENT TO DISCUSS HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS WITH UPDATED WORKSHEET

-THIS WORKSHEET CAN ALSO BE USED FOR COLLEGE ADVISOR APPOINTMENTS



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**PSD RUNNING START  
GRADUATION  
REQUIREMENTS**



**PUYALLUP**  
SCHOOL DISTRICT  
*A Division of Puget Sound*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grad Year: \_\_\_\_\_ PSD ID: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ HB 1758 This is a Running Start student tool to help track your high school graduation requirements. Please use when meeting with your college advisor.

Credit Needed	Course	Term Completed
	Junior English	
	Senior English	
	Math	
	Science	
	American Studies	
	Civics	
	Modern World Studies	
	World Language	
	Health/Fitness	
	Physical Education	
	Fine Arts	
	CTE	
	Electives	

High School Course	Pierce College Equivalent
English III	ENGL 101
English IV	ENGL 101 (if not previously taken), ENGL 102, *107, 210, 226, 227, 228, *235, 239, 244, 245 or 246 <small>*Courses satisfy the Communication Skills AA requirement</small>
Math	MATH 107 and above
Science	Any science 100 level and above
American Studies II	HIST 156, 157, 158, 159 or 168
Civics	POLS 101, 202 or 203
Modern World Studies	HIST 128, GEOG 150, 160, INST 107 or 164
World Language	Any World Language class 100 level and above. <small>Spanish I at the high school does not meet the prerequisite for SPAN 121 (2nd year).</small>
Health / Fitness	NUTR 101, PSYCH 180 or KINS 210
Physical Education	Any PE course 100 level and above. <small>Note: To fulfill fitness credit, students are encouraged to take courses for Health/Education</small>
Fine Arts	Any Fine Art class 100 level and above
Career and Technology Education/Occupational	Any CTE class 100 level and above. Examples: Business, Education, Criminal Justice, Communications, Computers, Technology, etc. <small>Note: COLL 110 and COLL 115 may be used to fulfill CTE credit.</small>
Electives	Any class 100 level and above

NOTE: Course titles and numbers may change from time to time. Please contact your school counselor for valid course equivalencies.

Counselor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_


Once you are registered with Pierce, please complete the below information:

Pierce ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

Associate degree seeking: \_\_\_\_\_

Please continue to check the course maps toward your AA.  
Links are found here: <https://www.pierce.ctc.edu/associate-degrees>

For more information about Running Start, please use this QR Code:



## **STEP 5:**

**REGISTER** FOR CLASSES AT THE COLLEGE WITH DIRECTION AND INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE  
COLLEGE ADVISOR

\*PAY STUDENT/COURSE FEES REQUIRED BY THE COLLEGE  
(NOTE: FREE/REDUCED LUNCH ELIGIBLE – FEES MAY BE WAIVED BY THE COLLEGE)

### **RHS Counselors:**

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# REMINDERS

- Join RHS Running Start Schoology – DWPG9-WTJ33
- Student is responsible for obtaining information about important dates, timelines, events, etc. (Schoology or website)
- Parent/guardians will not receive any information from college regarding RS students (FERPA)
- Vaccination/approved exemption required for in-person learning
- College advisors will help students plan & schedule college classes – Classes fill up quickly
- High school classes take priority over running start classes, students must schedule accordingly
- Student may need to take certain courses at RHS: Algebra II and World Language
- RS student is responsible for keeping track of high school graduation requirements – (PSD Running Start Graduation Requirements Worksheet provided initial appointment)

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