

RUNNING START ACADEMIC STANDARDS POLICY

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Running Start is a fantastic opportunity to earn high school and college credit simultaneously, however; there are high stakes consequences for students to be aware of if they do not perform well academically. Not only do poor grades and not completing credits impact a student's ability to graduate high school, there are long term consequences that may impede a student's financial aid eligibility and/or transfer to a university. Therefore, please read the following policy carefully prior to committing to this endeavor.

THE ACADEMIC STANDARDS POLICY

In order to remain eligible for Running Start, you must make satisfactory academic progress by:

1. Earning a minimum 2.0 quarterly grade point average AND

2. Completing all enrolled credit

- Failure to earn credit in your coursework results in an "I," "NC," "W" or a grade below a 1.0 on your transcript.
- You have a small window of opportunity to withdraw from a class and not have it post to your permanent transcript: follow the important deadlines published in the quarterly class schedule to remain informed.

By enrolling in Running Start at Green River, you are subjecting yourself to this policy. Failure to meet academic standards in any three quarters will result in dismissal from the Running Start program.

IF YOU DO NOT MEET THE ACADEMIC STANDARDS POLICY

Below are the steps that occur if you do not meet the Academic Standards Policy:

1. First time: You are placed on "Alert"

You will be unable to register online until you contact the Running Start Office.

2. Second Time: You are placed on "Probation"

You will be unable to register online until you contact the Running Start Office. Academic probation may result in restrictions as determined by the Running Start advisor. Restrictions may include, but are not limited to: reduced/restricted credit load, mandatory participation in tutoring, and/or mandatory follow up appointments with an advisor. Your records may be blocked for the duration of your participation in the Running Start program.

3. Third time: "Dismissal"— you become ineligible for Running Start

You are dismissed permanently from the Running Start program at Green River. Your option will be to self-pay for tuition and/or return to your high school.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

You are expected to know your academic status at all times. You may access your transcript by using GRC Online Services, and clicking the "Unofficial Transcript" link. Grades generally post to your transcript within 5-7 days after the quarter ends. It is advisable to track your grades during the quarter so you are aware of your performance at any given time and can address concerns as they arise.

We want your experience as a Running Start student to be productive and positive. If you are struggling in classes, there are services available to help, most of which are free (tutoring, advising, workshops). Please do not hesitate to contact staff for guidance.