



COLORADO
Early Colleges
Parker

School Profile

Mission Statement

Each student, regardless of background or skill level, will have the opportunity to pursue a growth mindset that will allow them to achieve mastery and to demonstrate they can succeed in school, in college, and in their chosen career.

No exceptions. No excuses.

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Our Community

Nestled in the city of Parker, Colorado Early Colleges Parker serves the entire South Denver Metro area from the northern suburbs of Denver, the plains of eastern Colorado, the foothills of the Rockies to the west, and the city of Castle Rock to the south. We are under the authorization of the Charter School Institute, which authorizes 35 charter schools in the state, ranging from K-12th grades.

What is Colorado Early Colleges?

Colorado Early Colleges is a comprehensive, four-year public charter college preparatory high school that offers students the opportunity to earn an associate's degree while in high school. CEC is a bold approach, based on the principle that academic rigor, combined with the opportunity to save time and money, is a powerful motivator for students to work hard and meet serious intellectual challenges. CEC blends high school and college in a rigorous yet supportive program, accelerating the time it takes to complete a high school diploma and the first two years of college.

CECP as an Early College

CECP was founded in 2014 and welcomed its first students in the fall of the same year.

CECP started with 315 students in 2014.

99% of students are taking at least 1 college course. More than 43% of students are taking **ALL** college courses.

*Students must earn an associate degree, postsecondary or industry certification or 60+ college credits in addition to meeting the high school graduation requirements to be awarded a CEC diploma (Class of 2022+)

Curriculum at CECP

The academic program is organized around the model of students earning their associate's degree, while in high school, for free. The school currently pays up to \$3,800 each year per student, which covers students' tuition, fees, and required textbooks. Upon initial enrollment, every student takes the Accuplacer which determines placement into college prep or college level courses. Students that place into College Algebra (MAT 121), must have completed Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II before taking College Algebra. Students average about five high school courses a semester, which is all dependent upon a student's academic course load. For instance, a student who is completely college ready, might only take ENG 121 (3 college credits), MAT 121 (4 college credits), and HIS 121 (3 college credits). This student only takes three classes but is still considered to be taking a full academic load (10 college credits). Every course on campus is on a semester schedule. Each high school (College Prep) class is 70 minutes. College Prep courses are five days per week, with the exception of Workforce Readiness (M/W), while college level courses, taught on the CEC campus, are two or four days a week courses depending on the credit level and contact hours requirement set forth by the college (Arapahoe Community College).

Currently, 126 college credits are being offered on the CECP campus during the school day. These courses are Arapahoe Community College courses. Students take college courses on the CECP campus, and once they have exhausted the courses they need for their intended degree, they take the remainder of their courses at one of the local colleges that CECP partners with. Each semester, students re-take the Accuplacer exam for placement into a college level course from a college prep course.

<p>College Prep (High School) Program</p> <p>College preparatory courses offered on the CECP campus during the 2020-2021 school year include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Literature and Composition 060, 090 and 099 Pre-Algebra (060) Algebra I (090) Geometry/Statistics Algebra II (099) Biology A & B Chemistry U.S. History World History American Government Physics Spanish I, II and III Chinese I and II Workforce Readiness New Media Programming <p>College preparatory course design:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rigorous high school level course work Semester based courses Highly Qualified teachers Prepares students for college-level course work quickly and efficiently Core classes fulfill college course prerequisites Designed to help students at all levels, including those who are academically ahead, right on track, or behind Tracks with the community college system by offering course content similar to their pre-college-level courses 	<p>College Program</p> <p>College courses offered on the CEC campus during the 2020-2021 school year include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> English Composition I and II Introduction to Literature Public Speaking Creative Writing College Algebra, Trigonometry, and Calculus I General College Biology and Principles of Chemistry U.S. History I and II American Government Principles of Microeconomics World Regional Geography Introduction to Philosophy General Psychology Introduction to Computer Information Systems Music Appreciation and Art History <p>College course design:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Courses and grades are recorded both on CECP's high school transcript and on the college transcript from the institution providing the course. CECP employs college/university-approved professors College BRIDGE students attend ACC college courses on the CECP campus as part of CECP's normal school day in classes composed entirely of CECP students. College SELECT students attend college courses at area institutions such as Arapahoe Community College, Community College of Aurora, Red Rocks Community College, Pikes Peak Community College, Front Range Community College, Community College of Denver, UC Denver, Metro State University, and UCCS, integrating into the classrooms and campus life of those institutions learning side-by-side with other college students. GT courses guaranteed to transfer to post-secondary institutions in CO
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Grades & Credits

- College prep courses usually earn 1 credits/semester.
- College courses are weighted one additional grade point.
- College semester credit hours convert to high school semester credits as follows

College Credit Hours	High School Credit
1	.5
2	1
3	1
4	1.5
5	2

Standardized Test Results

Class of 2019 SAT	State of CO
Composite 1148	1001

2020-2021 Student Population

Total student body 457

Seniors 144
 Juniors 92
 Sophomores 90
 Freshmen 100

Female 218
 Male 208

African American 2%
 American Indian/Alaskan Native <1%
 Asian 8%
 Caucasian 71%
 Hispanic 13%
 Two or More Race Categories 6%

Graduation Requirements

CECP has two pathways of instruction.

Each requires 20 high school credit plus the completion of an associate degree, 60 college credits or post-secondary certification.

	University/Associates	Career
English . . .	4	4 credits
Math	4	3 credits
Science . .	3	2 credits
Social Science . .	3	2 credits
World Language . .	2	0 credits
Acad/Career Success . .	.5	.5 credits
Academic Electives . .	3.5	8.5 credits
		20 high school credits

Grading and Ranking

Students are ranked based upon their weighted GPA. Valedictorians and salutatorians are determined based upon their GPA and amount of college credit they have accumulated. Class rank is determined at the end of the first semester of a student's senior year.

Grade Point Average (GPA) Calculation

GPA is computed using the quality points below. Beginning with grade nine, all subjects, whether passed or failed, are included in the computation. A minimum of 20 credits is required for graduation. Graduates earn honors based off the amount of college credit earned. 30 or more college credits are awarded Honors. Graduates with 60 or more college credits are awarded High Honors. Graduates that have earned a weighted GPA of 3.75- 3.89 are distinguished as Cum laude, 3.9 – 4.19 are considered Magna cum laude, and 4.2- 5.0 GPA are awarded Summa cum laude. College level classes are weighted. The college level formula is used to determine a weighted GPA. Grades are recorded on the transcript. GPA is computed in January and May.

High School Weighting

A – Excellent	90–100	4
B – Above average	80–89	3
C – Average	70–79	2
F – Failure	69 or below	0

CECP does not recognize a D as a passing grade.

College Course Weighting

A – Excellent	90–100	5
B – Above average	80–89	4
C – Average	70–79	3
F – Failure	69 or below	0

While college transcripts will give grade points for D grades, CECP does not recognize a D as a passing grade.

CECP Transcript

College courses are indicated with the institution's initials at the beginning of the course name.

CECP Transcript Key

ACC—Arapahoe Community College
 CSUP—Colorado State University Pueblo
 CCA—Community College of Aurora
 RRCC—Red Rocks Community College
 PPCC—Pikes Peak Community College
 FRCC—Front Range Community College
 CCD—Community College of Denver
 UCD—University of Colorado Denver
 MSU—Metro State University Denver
 SNC- Snow College
 UCCS—University of Colorado Colorado Springs

Affiliates:

Arapahoe Community College – ACC
www.arapahoe.edu

Colorado State University Pueblo – CSUP
www.csupueblo.edu

Community College of Aurora – CCA
www.ccaurora.edu

Red Rocks Community College – RRCC
www.rrcc.edu

Pikes Peak Community College - PPCC
www.ppcc.edu

Front Range Community College – FRCC
www.frontrange.edu

Community College of Denver – CCD
www.ccd.edu

University of Colorado Denver – UCD
www.ucdenver.edu

Metro State University Denver – MSU
www.msudenver.edu

University of Colorado Colorado Springs – UCCS
www.uccs.edu

Snow College- SNC
www.snow.edu

Charter School Institute – CSI
www.csi.state.co.us

League of Charter Schools
www.coloradoleague.org