

RUNNING START PROGRAM

Information regarding college fees & Running Start Students

In order to be in compliance with House Bill 2119, passed by the Washington legislature and signed by Governor Gregoire all mandatory fees as established by the college will be charged to Running Start students. A description of the student fees is listed below.

IMPORTANT: This law does not affect tuition, just fees. The Running Start (RS) program pays the tuition for college-level classes of eligible high school juniors and seniors. For general comparison, a non-RS student enrolled in 15 credits would pay about \$1,530 per quarter for tuition at CCC.

Fee Waivers

The college must waive the per credit charge and “non-consumable” fees for eligible low-income RS students. A student shall be considered low income and eligible for a fee waiver upon proof that student is currently qualified to receive free or reduced-priced lunch. *Please note that charges for “consumables” such as lab supplies and course materials are not eligible to be waived through this policy.* **Students meeting eligibility guidelines have until the first day of the term to produce a copy of their K-12 Subsidized Food Program Eligibility Letter.** The RS advisor will review the documentation and approve the fee waiver. A student who provides documentation after the first day of the quarter will be eligible for the fee waiver for the following quarter. Students need to provide documentation annually to qualify for the waiver.

STUDENT TUITION: **Legislative changes this year have capped the number of credits that the Running Start program can cover. That cap is set at 15 credits. Students can take additional credits but will be responsible for the remaining tuition and fees.** Students that take a combination of high school and college credit must work closely with the high school staff to ensure that stay within the limits.

STUDENT FEES*

Technology Fee: \$10/Credit

In order to provide the most up-to-date computer hardware and software for students to utilize in the labs and instructional classrooms, it is necessary to periodically replace both the hardware and software. The technology fee paid by the students helps the College with a portion of these costs. The fee also helps pay for the cost of operating the instructional labs each term. This includes helping pay for lab monitors, internet access, student email accounts, paper, print cartridges and other current operating expenses.

Course Fees: Variable -not eligible for low income fee waiver

Many classes have additional fees to help cover the cost of materials or supplies that are used in the class. To view a breakdown of fees for your classes, login to your *MyCCC* account and select *Account History*.

Consolidated Fee: (1-3 Credits) \$10/term (4+ Credits) \$30.00/term

Other Fees:

The following fees are non-refundable:

Admissions application.....	\$ 15	Waived if graduating while still Running Start Eligible.
Late payment fee.....	\$50,	plus \$15.00 per month if not paid by 5:00 pm on Friday of the first week of classes.
Installment Payment Plan processing fee.....	\$ 20	
Returned check fee.....	\$ 25	
Graduation Cap & Gown Fee	\$ 35	

* Fees are subject to change without notice.