



Middle College

Frequently Asked Questions



1. How many hours will my student take at MGCCC Harrison County?

Students take an average of 16 hours. They must be enrolled in 15 per semester to reach their 60-hour requirement. This means students will be taking 5 classes each semester at the Harrison County campus.

2. How much does this program cost the student?

The Gulfport School District covers all tuition, books, and fees for students for up to 17 hours. If a student chooses to take over 17 hours, they would be responsible for the additional cost. Typically, students are encouraged to take a maximum of 17 hours so the workload does not get too large. If a student receives a failing grade and is required to retake a course, the cost of that course is the responsibility of the student.

3. Will my student be required to take a class at GHS?

Students are encouraged to participate in classes and activities at GHS. Students may continue to take ROTC, band, strings, choir, and athletic courses. They may choose to participate in our CTE (Career and Technical Education) courses as well. We have had students complete AP courses and foreign language courses while participating in the Middle College program.

4. Will the school provide transportation?

GHS provides transportation to and from the Harrison County campus. The bus will depart from GHS each morning at 7:40. It will pick up students to return to the GHS campus at 1:00. Students will be responsible for securing their own transportation to GHS if their bus does not arrive at GHS before 7:40.

5. Will credits transfer?

Yes, courses at Harrison County will transfer to universities. The only universities that must be checked, typically, are Ivy league and private universities. MGCCC has regional accreditation and articulations agreements (transfer agreements) with state and local universities.

6. Will my student still qualify for scholarships?

Yes, students still qualify for freshmen scholarships. Students will also have the option to choose transfer scholarships if that amount is higher than a freshman scholarship package. They also still qualify for financial aid if they remain in good standing GPA wise. This means they must have above a 2.0 for their cumulative GPA.

7. Will my student participate in activities at MGCCC?

Students are allowed and encouraged to participate in activities at MGCCC. We have students that are members of CELO, which is a concurrent enrollment leadership organization. We also have students that are members of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK). This is the honors association that provides transfer scholarships. There are numerous clubs that students are encouraged to join. Students are not allowed to be a member of athletic teams.

8. Is it possible for my student to receive recognitions at MGCCC?

Absolutely! We have had students named Mr. Harrison County Campus, and be recognized as homecoming maids. This past year, we had a student receive a departmental honor and have had students named to Who's Who. Students are also included on both the Vice President's List and President's List for exceptional GPAs. Students may also be invited to participate in the honors college program for MGCCCC.

9. What type of classes will my student take at MGCCC?

During a student's junior year, they will take general core classes towards university transfer credits while completing high school and associate degree requirements. The student's senior year will finish out associate degree requirements while including electives geared towards the student's intended major. Our goal is for students to identify a career pathway and major by the end of their junior year.

10. Can my student quit the program if they do not like it?

Students can return to the GHS campus full-time at the completion of a semester. Students cannot quit the program in the middle of a semester. Doing this would result in a withdrawal from classes that would remain on a student's college transcript. If a student decides they do not want to continue the program, they need to work as hard as possible to complete the semester with passing grades to maintain a GPA that is in good standing.

For more information, please contact your student's counselor or Mrs. Shana Celentano. You can reach Mrs. Celentano at 896-1216 or shana.celentano@gulfportschools.org.