

HENRY FORD *Early College*



**Henry Ford Early College is a partnership
between Dearborn Public Schools,
Henry Ford Health System and Henry Ford College.**

*This partnership provides students with learning experiences in
all three environments.*



Henry Ford Early College is a five-year educational program that offers an integrated curriculum of high school and college courses resulting in a high school diploma and college certificate, and/or an associate degree in a health-related field, or up to two years of college credit.

Mission

While building positive and collaborative relationships between students, parents, staff, and partners, Henry Ford Early College prepares a talented group of diverse students for careers in the healthcare industry. In a safe, orderly, and supportive environment, Henry Ford Early College provides an academically challenging, innovative, and technologically rich education that is designed to promote higher level thinking skills.

Vision

Students who successfully complete the requirements of our program will have the:

- Necessary knowledge, training, skills, and experience to be immediately employed by the healthcare industry in their chosen careers.
- Attitudes and skills to work effectively and collaboratively with diverse groups of people.
- Ability to adapt to a rapidly changing and increasingly technological world.
- Academic and social skills essential for responsible and productive citizenship in a global society.

About us

Henry Ford Early College (HFEC) is a 5-year educational program for students in grades 9 - 13. It is a new kind of educational experience for Wayne County students, offering an integrated high school and college curriculum. HFEC students begin to earn college credits while completing the courses required to earn their State of Michigan high school diploma. While students are meeting the requirements for high school graduation, they can simultaneously earn up to 60 transferable college credits **OR** an associate's degree **AND/OR** a certificate in a health-related career. HFEC is a tuition-free public school. This means there are **no tuition costs** to the student and his or her parent while earning credits toward a college degree.

HFEC focuses on preparing students for college and for careers in healthcare. The unique curriculum offers students opportunities to explore health-related careers in the real-world of healthcare at Henry Ford Health System locations. This allows students to have exposure to a variety of careers and to explore their options for college programs and future careers.





Adhering to the small school model of 50 students per grade level, HFEC enrolls 50 Wayne County students into ninth grade each year via a non-competitive, qualified lottery process. The small school model promotes a close interaction between HFEC students, teachers, college instructors and healthcare professionals, in an educational community focused on a rigorous and relevant plan of study. HFEC, which was established in 2007, is a collaborative partnership between Henry Ford Health System, Dearborn Public Schools and Henry Ford College.





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HENRY FORD
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Special Features

- Simultaneously earn high school diploma and up to 60 transferable college credits OR an associate's degree in a health-related career and/or a certificate in a health-related career
- Small class size
- Prepares students for life-long success
- Real-world career exposure with Henry Ford Health System professionals
- Combined high school and college course
- College readiness curriculum
- Mentor teachers
- Community outreach
- Partnership approach to education
- Preparing students for higher education and careers in healthcare
- Wrap-around student services
- Tuition-free
- Classes held on the campus of Henry Ford College and Henry Ford Health System





How does a student apply to HFEC?

The application deadline is March 15.

Applications for Henry Ford Early College are available online at <http://www.henryford.com/earlycollege>. Applications are accepted from January 1 to March 15 each year.

Student Completed Application Packet includes:

- Student Application
- Current Report Card (end of semester or trimester)
- Handwritten Student Writing Sample
- Counselor/Administrator Recommendation Form
- Science Teacher Recommendation Form
- Math Teacher Recommendation Form

All interested students are encouraged to apply to HFEC. All applicants will take placement exams in math and reading. Testing is usually held on a Saturday in late March.

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