

Kalamazoo County Early Middle College

Beginning at Comstock High School

2015-2016



Why Early Middle College?

- * Training beyond high school is more important than ever.
- * College is more expensive than ever.
- * Middle skilled jobs require 2 years of post-secondary education.
- * 8 million people are underemployed and not trained to meet the needs of business and industry.

Early Middle College is a great opportunity for students

- *The EMC provides students with the opportunity to earn:
 - *A high school diploma
 - *A certificate
 - *An associates degree

The EMC model is...

- * Students are enrolled in high school for a 13th year to provide them the opportunity to complete a program of study or an associates degree.
- * EMC courses begin in the 10th grade year.
- * College credits are paid for by the school district.

Benefits of the EMC

- * Students receive support services from both the high school and the college.
- * Students are working toward a specific certificate or degree program.
- * Free tuition, fees and books.
- * The Associates of Arts degree is a direct transfer to WMU.

Degrees that are available

- * Associate of Arts- 62-63 credit hours- transfer to WMU
- * Associate of Applied Science- Graphic Design 63-64 credit hours
- * Associate of Applied Science- Machine Tool Technology-62 credit hours
- * Graphic Design Certificate- 30 hours
- * Machinist Certificate- 32 credit hours
- * Certificate of Achievement- PC Support Technician 18 credit hours
- * Certificate of Achievement- Welding Technologies 10 credit hours

Student Supports

- * College Success Strategies course (at the high school)
- * Early Middle College Seminar (at the high school)
- * Early Middle College Mentor (at the high school and KVCC)

Where do students take classes?

- * Comstock High School
- * Kalamazoo Valley Community College
 - * Texas Township Campus
 - * Arcadia Commons Campus

College Class Schedule

- * Courses taken at KVCC will follow the KVCC academic calendar and course schedule.
- * Courses taken at Comstock High School will follow the Comstock Public Schools academic calendar and course schedule.

Transportation

- * Students taking classes on KVCC's campus will be responsible for their own transportation.
- * The Arcadia Campus is located downtown on the city bus route.
- * There is a plan being developed to utilize the EFE bus hub transportation model to assist with transportation.

Expenses

- * Under the law, the total amount of tuition and fees support shall not exceed either of the following:
- * The total amount of the tuition and fees for the course(s)
- * The statewide pupil-weighted average foundation allowance, adjusted for the proportion of the school year that the pupil attends the postsecondary institution.

How do I become an EMC student?

- * Complete an application and submit it to Mrs. Stewart in student services at the high school.
- * Attend a meeting with Mrs. Stewart (parents are encouraged to attend)
- * Meet KVCC course requirements.

Who to contact

- * Gerielle Stewart, Director of the College and Career Academy & EMC. stewartg@comstockps.org
- * Online at www.kresa.org/emc