



Pride, Tradition & Courage

RUNNING START INFO –

What is Running Start?

Running Start allows high school juniors and seniors to attend community college and earn college credits tuition-free. Running Start was created by the Washington State Legislature to expand educational options for high schoolers.

Five college quarter credits are equal to one high school credit. The high school determines which classes at the college are equivalent to the high school requirements. If you are a junior or senior interested in Running Start at South Puget Sound Community College, there is information in the lobby of the THS Counseling Center.

To apply to Running Start:

The first step a student will take is to view the Running Start Information Session Video on the SPSCC website, and then attend a Running Start Information Session Q & A where the student can ask any questions they have. Students will then apply to SPS. In 3 – 5 business days the student will receive their SID number and will then set up their email & portal. To be eligible for Running Start student must place into or have completed English 101. If they do not have documentation to submit for placement they may take a Guided Self Placement English exam online. Student will then meet with their high school counselor to discuss specific graduation requirements to help them decide their high school/SPS classes. To register, student will complete the Pathway Selection Survey and attend a New Student Advising & Registration session.

Access the SPSCC application at:

<https://www.public.ctc.edu/ApplicantWebClient/Applicant/AplWelcome.aspx>

Access Running Start information at: <https://spscc.edu/runningstart>

Access the South Puget Sound Community College website at: www.spscc.edu

Access the SPS Admissions & Outreach Office at 360.596.5241

Each quarter, students must submit their Running Start Enrollment Verification Form to their THS Counselor.