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Dear Parent/Guardian:

This letter is to inform you of two opportunities to take college courses for all high school students in the state of Wisconsin; Early College Credit Program and Start College Now Program. These programs are an excellent opportunity for students to explore career interest areas, begin college coursework early, or prepare to enter the workforce directly after high school graduation.

Early College Credit Program (ECCP) - provides eligible **9th-12th grade students** an opportunity to take courses at a UW system institution or a private, non-profit institution of higher education for high school credit, post-secondary credit, or both.

Start College Now - provides eligible **11th-12th grade students** an opportunity to take courses at a Wisconsin Technical College for high school credit, post-secondary credit, or both.

To qualify for the program, a student must:

- Be in good standing as defined by District Policy 343.4 & 343.
- Have a cumulative GPA of a 3.0 or higher.
- Enrolled in Auburndale High School as a full-time student.
- No course failures in the previous semester.
- On track for graduation.
- Not habitually truant.
- Demonstrated positive school behavior.

By September 14, 2020 notify Ms. Binder, School Counselor, of intention to participate in either the ECCP or Start College Now Program. The School Board and Administration will review this information to determine if the course meets the program requirements.

If the School Board determines the course may receive high school credit and is NOT comparable to a course offered by the district, students may enroll in the college course and will not be responsible for tuition or textbook fees. Students will also earn high school and college credit for any completed ECCP and Start College Now courses. ECCP and Start College Now courses will be counted towards a student's GPA and class rank.

Students are allowed to request courses at any UW or Technical College of their choice. Most students prefer Mid-State Technical College and UW-Stevens Point at Marshfield due to travel distance. Students can explore class

offerings online at <http://www.mstc.edu/programs> and <http://uwsp.edu/marshfield>.

Attached are the applications for both the Early College Credit Program (ECCP) and Start College Now Program. Copies of the forms are available in the counseling office also. Please do not hesitate to contact me with questions or concerns at (715) 652-2115 ext. 2123 or jbinder@abschools.com

Thank you,
Jonni-rae Binder
School Counselor