

Interested in Running Start for the 2024-2025 School Year?

Here is what you need to do.

Step 1: Attend an in person or virtual info session. Students must sign up on our website at www.wvc.edu/rs.

Step 2: Qualify for Running Start. You can qualify for Running Start through **one** of the following ways:

- High School cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher
- 10th or 11th grade ELA Smarter Balanced score of 3 or higher
- PSAT/SAT Reading score of 500 or higher
- ACT English score of 20 or higher
- ACT Reading score of 21 or higher
- AP English test score of 4 or higher

Step 3: Email (**personal email preferred**) your qualifying document beginning in March to:

Wenatchee Campus runningstart@wvc.edu or

Omak Campus omakrunningstart@wvc.edu

Please attach documents as PDF. Do not send qualifying document through Google docs or Parchment.

Step 4: Once Running Start staff review your qualifying document, **we will email you a “Welcome Email” with next steps to enroll at WVC.**

If using a high school email to send qualifying document, check your junk folder for the “Welcome Email”. We highly recommend using a personal email address as some school emails do not allow emails to be received from external sources.

Step 5: Once you receive the “Welcome Email”, complete the WVC online application. **You must enter your name as it appears on your ID/Driver’s License or high school transcript (no nicknames, please!) Make sure to identify yourself as a Running Start student.**

(instructions will be attached to the Welcome email).

Step 6: Meet with your high school counselor to complete the Running Start Enrollment Verification Form.
(a blank copy of the form will be attached to the Welcome email).

Step 7: Sign up for a New Student Group Advising session to learn how to register for classes and more. A link will be attached to the “Registration Email” that you will use to sign up for this session.
(instructions attached in the Registration email once your application has been processed)

Step 8: Once you receive the “Welcome Email”, please reply with your parent/guardians’ name and cellphone number.

Step 9: Prepare for New Student Group Advising by watching the “Prep for Your First Advising Session” video found here: <https://www.wvc.edu/apply/future-students/running-start/equivalencies-and-degrees/>

Step 10: Make sure to keep your appointment to attend your New Student Advising session

Step 11: Students may apply for Running Start up to mid-September, **but to ensure the best chance of getting into preferred courses, it is best to complete steps 1-10 by June.**

Step 12: Meet with a Running Start adviser and complete a 2-year plan.

(appointments available throughout summer, starting mid-June, a link will be provided)

Step 13: Attend the Running Start College 101 student orientation session to learn how to purchase books, and how to access student resources (**mid-August**).