



Start College Now (SCN) FAQs

Who is eligible to enroll in Start College Now (SCN)?

SCN is available to students must be enrolled in a public high school, have completed 10th grade with good academic standing, meet course prerequisites, have written approval from a parent or guardian, and have an acceptable disciplinary record.

When do students apply for SCN?

Students must apply to their local school board by March 1 for the fall term and October 1 for the spring term.

Will students need to complete the technical college application in addition to the SCN application?

No, students will not need to apply to the college to participate in SCN. The \$30 application fee will still be required for the Nursing Assistant and EMT programs.

Who is responsible for transportation costs?

The student is responsible for transportation costs to attend courses held on the college campus or other location.

Can students enroll in SCN for summer courses?

Start College Now is not an option for summer courses. If students are interested in summer courses, they should contact their high school counselor about other options.

Is there a limit to the number of courses a student can take through SCN?

There is not a limit to the number of courses a student may take per term. The high school district can establish a policy limit limiting the number of credits; however, a minimum number of 18 credits must be offered to a student over the duration of their eligibility in SCN.

Who is responsible for the costs associated with SCN courses?

The school district required to for tuition, course fees, and books for technical college courses approved for high school credit that are not comparable to courses offered at the high school. The district may require that books be returned to the school district at the end of the course. Additional costs such as testing fees, background checks, and supplies are up to the discretion of the school district. The expectation of who will pay these expenses should be communicated to student(s)/parent(s)/guardian(s) in advance.

How much high school credit will be earned through SCN?

The high school credit earned will be up to the discretion of the high school district.

Can students take courses through Start College Now and the Early College Credit Program (ECCP) at the same time?

No, per 118.55, 2(a), sub. (7t) (c), students can alternate programs by semester but cannot participate in both programs at the same time. Students may enroll in contracted courses and/or transcribed credit courses while enrolled in ECCP. This statute only refers to enrollment in SCN and ECCP.

How will students be contacted by Western?

Western career coaches will contact students using the email address provided on the SCN application. Once they are approved for the SCN course(s), students will receive information on enrolling in courses using their MyWestern portal.