



# Montgomery County Early College

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## APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

***Applications must be fully completed in order to be reviewed.***

***Application deadline is February 23, 2024 and should be submitted to your counselor or sent to Montgomery County Early College.***

All 8th-grade students meeting minimum qualifications will be considered for MCEC and be included in the MCEC lottery. These minimum qualifications are designed to ensure students are appropriately suited for the early college program and experience. The minimum qualifications include:

- The student has submitted a complete application, including letters of recommendation.
- The student is making adequate academic progress in current courses.
- The student has not missed more than 18 days of school during the past school year (unless special circumstances).
- The student has scored as least a 539 scale score on the math EOG or a 548 scale score on the reading EOG.
- The student has had no more than 5 minor disciplinary incidents during the past calendar year. (Any student with a major reportable disciplinary incident or is an adjudicated youth will be considered on a case-by-case basis).

If there are more than 50 students who meet the qualifications for acceptance, then a selection lottery will be performed by the MCEC Selection Committee. The committee will follow the intent of the Cooperative Innovative High School Act giving priority to at-risk students, first-generation college students, and/or students in need of acceleration. Qualifying siblings of current students will also be given priority. Non-selected students will be placed on a waitlist.

### **STUDENT CHECKLIST:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Complete the **Student Application** (p. 2).
- \_\_\_\_\_ Complete the **Writing Sample** (p. 3).
- \_\_\_\_\_ You and your parent/guardian complete the **Montgomery County Early College Student/Parent Contract** (p. 4).
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fill out the top of the **Teacher Recommendation** Form (p. 5) and have a current teacher that knows you well complete the form.
- \_\_\_\_\_ (Optional) Fill out the top of the **Personal/Community Recommendation** Form (p. 6) and have an individual of your choice (youth leader, pastor, mentor, etc. - anyone that knows you well) complete the form.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The completed application must be turned in to your counselor or sent to Montgomery County Early College by **February 23, 2024**. **Incomplete applications will not be considered.** Your completed application contains:
  - Student Application (p. 2)
  - Writing Sample (p. 3)
  - Montgomery Early College Contract (p. 4)
  - Teacher Recommendation (p. 5)
  - Personal/Community Recommendation (Optional) (p. 6)

### **PARENT/GUARDIAN CHECKLIST:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Review the Montgomery County Early College Contract (p. 4) and complete with your student.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Review the entire application packet with your child before submitting on or before February 23, 2024.

**STUDENT NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE SUBMITTED:** \_\_\_\_\_



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## MONTGOMERY COUNTY EARLY COLLEGE STUDENT APPLICATION

**To be completed by the student and/or parent/guardian.**

Name of student: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of Parent/Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailbox Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Bus Pick-Up Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street or PO Box #) (House Number and Street)

(City) (State) (Zip Code) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

Parent(s) e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone (mother): \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone (father): \_\_\_\_\_

School presently attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a sibling enrolled at Montgomery County Early College? \_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check off (X) the highest educational level **completed** by the following family members:

	Elementary School	Middle School	High School	Associate Degree	Bachelor's Degree or Higher
Mother					
Father					

Student's Ethnicity/Race: \_\_\_\_\_ Caucasian \_\_\_\_\_ Native American \_\_\_\_\_ Asian/Pacific Island  
\_\_\_\_\_ African American \_\_\_\_\_ Hispanic \_\_\_\_\_ Multi-racial  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other



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## MONTGOMERY COUNTY EARLY COLLEGE WRITING SAMPLE

The Montgomery County Early College is a rigorous program designed to provide students with an opportunity to earn a High School Diploma and an Associate degree at no cost to the student. It requires a strong work ethic and a commitment to success. In a well-written essay, in your own handwriting, explain what you think it will take for you to successfully meet the challenges in completing this program. Provide examples of your work ethic from past experiences in school and how you plan to make a commitment to your studies. You may use additional paper as needed.



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## MONTGOMERY COUNTY EARLY COLLEGE STUDENT/PARENT CONTRACT

Montgomery County Early College (MCEC) offers an accelerated curriculum and requires extensive commitment. Following is a contract stating each student's responsibilities for acceptance to MCEC. Student and Parent signatures indicate agreement and support of all conditions.

### The student agrees to:

1. Complete a two-year degree and/or CTE certificate while at Montgomery County Early College.
2. Spend the necessary amount of time, in class and outside of class, required for each class assignment, including reading, homework, reports, exam review, and group study time.
3. Attend any extended or mandatory review sessions/activities held by the teacher, including summer school if needed.
4. Attend class regularly and participate in all learning experiences, including field trips, speakers, and special projects, if applicable.
5. Maintain high academic and behavior standards, including passing all classes and scoring proficient on all required exams.
6. Understand that MCEC will operate on the Montgomery Community College school calendar, NOT the calendar of Montgomery County Schools.
7. Remain at MCEC at least one school year before opting out of the Early College program.
8. Be removed from MCEC and be placed into a regular education program, if any part of this contract is broken. This provision includes the student showing inadequate progress toward proficiency in the subject matter. Adequate progress means earning passing grades.

**I have read these statements and I agree to abide by them as well as the rules and policies of Montgomery County Early College.**

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

By my signature below, I agree to the following:

I give permission for the Montgomery County Schools' Child Nutrition Director to confirm the student is currently eligible for free or reduce price meals at school, or for the principal or guidance counselor to certify that the student is eligible for Need Based assistance.

**Signature of Parent/Guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



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## MONTGOMERY COUNTY EARLY COLLEGE TEACHER RECOMMENDATION (Confidential Information- Please return to student in sealed envelope)

Student's Name:	_____		
	Last	First	Middle
Student's Address:	_____		
	Street	City	Zip Code

**To the Teacher:** The student named above is applying for admission to Montgomery County Early College. Please use this form to share with us your perceptions of how this student will meet the academic and social expectations of the school. Your frank opinions are very valuable to us as we plan for student success. **Without this recommendation form, a student's application is incomplete and will not be reviewed for admission.** If you have any questions, please contact Principal Heather Seawell at [heather.seawell@montgomery.k12.nc.us](mailto:heather.seawell@montgomery.k12.nc.us). Thank you for your assistance.

How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

What would you say is the student's greatest strength? \_\_\_\_\_

What do you see as an opportunity for improvement with this student? \_\_\_\_\_

Please Check as Applicable	Exemplary	Accomplished	Acceptable	Needs Improvement (please explain below)
Oral and Written Communication				
Ability to Work as a Team Member				
Creativity				
Leadership Skills				
Overall Quality of Academic Work				
Computer Knowledge/Skills				
Dependability/Reliability				
Classroom Behavior				
Organization				
Time Management				
Independent Learner				
Social Maturity				
Social Interaction (when unsupervised)				
Integrity (doing what is right when no one is watching)				

Please use this space to elaborate on any characteristics noted above or any additional information you can provide:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Teacher Name (Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Teacher Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



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## MONTGOMERY COUNTY EARLY COLLEGE PERSONAL/COMMUNITY RECOMMENDATION (OPTIONAL) (Confidential Information- Please return to student in sealed envelope)

Student's Name:	_____		
	Last	First	Middle
Student's Address:	_____		
	Street	City	Zip Code

**To the Completer of this Recommendation:** The student named above is applying for admission to Montgomery County Early College. Please use this form to share with us your perceptions of how this student will meet the academic and social expectations of the school. If you have any questions, please contact Principal Heather Seawell at [heather.seawell@montgomery.k12.nc.us](mailto:heather.seawell@montgomery.k12.nc.us). Thank you for your assistance.

How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_  
What would you say is the student's greatest strength? \_\_\_\_\_  
What do you see as an opportunity for improvement with this student? \_\_\_\_\_

Please Check as Applicable	Exemplary	Accomplished	Acceptable	Needs Improvement (please explain below)
Oral and Written Communication				
Ability to work as a team member				
Creativity				
Leadership Skills				
Character				
Dependability/Reliability				
Behavior				
Organization				

Please use this space to elaborate on any characteristics noted above or any additional information you can provide:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Reference Name (Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Reference Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date