

Student Application Information: 2021-2022 Academic Year

OAKLAND EARLY COLLEGE

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Thank you for your interest in Oakland Early College! In this document, you will find the requirements for your application to Oakland Early College.

Your completed packet must include:

- 1. A completed copy of the application form,
- 2. Completed answers to all essay questions (Essays should be student written, typed, and submitted in person or in an electronic format);
- 3. Two (2) official transcripts (in a sealed envelope) from your previous school (An unofficial transcript will suffice to begin the application process, but must be replaced by an official transcript prior to admission. If the transcripts include weighted grades, it is the applicant's responsibility to provide documentation about the coursework and the manner in which it was weighted.);
- 4. Two recommendation forms (linked on the website under the "admissions" tab) completed by faculty, staff, or counselors at your current school (If you'd prefer, you may choose to have one of these recommendations completed by a community member or coach who is not a relative.);
- 5. An updated immunization record, copy of birth certificate, and proof that you reside in an Oakland County school district (Proof of residency can include a tax statement, copies of two utility bills, a rental or lease agreement, and/or a copy of deed. For questions about what constitutes appropriate documentation, please contact OEC directly.);
- 6. A copy of your SAT, PSAT, ACT, ACT PLAN, or NWEA MAP scores, if you have taken them;
- A copy of your discipline profile and attendance profile from your current school, or a letter from the school acknowledging no serious disciplinary and/or attendance problems;
- 8. Signed parent and student agreements

All students are expected to participate in a family meeting* and a "shadowing"** experience prior to interviewing. These informational sessions can take place at any time of the year prior to interviewing.

Students will be asked to participate in a sit-down interview*** with OEC faculty and students. Formal consideration of applications and interviews generally take place in the spring for the following fall semester.

Students may be required to take language arts and mathematics placement assessments. The purpose of these assessments is to measure the likelihood of student success in a university setting, as well as determine appropriate class placement.

Admission to OEC is conditional upon receipt and review of the student's CA-60 file and all appropriate documentation. Students currently attending an early/middle college and those students entering grades 10 or 11 are welcome to apply.

Following interviews and application evaluations, students will be notified of their acceptance or non-acceptance into Oakland Early College by phone and/or mail within two weeks of the interview.

OEC will admit to a cap of 195 students. We anticipate a record number of applications this year. Please be sure to submit your completed application as soon as possible.

Completed applications should be returned to:

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*Family meetings are taking place via Zoom at this time due to the COVID-19 pandemic. **Shadow experiences are not taking place at this time due to the COVID-19 pandemic. ***Interviews are taking place via Zoom at this time due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Student Essay Response Questions

Please respond to all essays in a separate document. Essays should demonstrate thoughtful responses and your very best writing ability.

Each essay should be typed and approximately 1-2 paragraphs in length. The student name should appear in the header of each document and the student should re-type the question at the top of the document.

- 1. Why do you want to attend Oakland Early College? Why do you think it's a "good fit" for you?
- 2. Tell us about your previous schooling experience. What's been positive about it, and what has been your greatest challenge?
- 3. What's your greatest strength, and in what ways do you most need to grow as a person and a learner?
- 4. Tell us about the person you want to be one, five, or ten years from now. Where do you want to be? What do you want to be doing? What are your hopes and dreams for yourself?