

**Attention: 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Graders –**  
**Go to College for FREE at UMKC through the ECA!!!**  
**2023/2024 SY – 2nd Semester Application Process**

KCPS – UMKC Early College Academy is a program dedicated to highly motivated students who earn college credits while in high school. The Early College Academy (ECA) is a partnership between Kansas City Public Schools (KCPS) and the University of Missouri – Kansas City (UMKC). The pathway focus areas are *Performing Arts (Theatre and Music)*, *Early Childhood and Elementary Education*, *Engineering (Civil, Electrical, or Mechanical)* and *Medicine – B.A./M.D. Program (Pre-courses for Liberal Arts - Chemistry, Biology or Pharmacy)*.

**RISING 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> GRADER ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:**

- Student will be on a half-day schedule in Spring '24
- Attends a current Kansas City Public Schools High School
- High School Transcript with a 3.25 cumulative GPA and on track for graduation



Eligibility Requirements	Final Submission Process
<p><b>STEP 1:</b> Complete the <a href="#">KCPS Google Online Application</a></p> <p><b>STEP 2:</b> Complete the KCPS Schools Early College Academy – <a href="#">UMKC Online Application</a></p> <p><b>STEP 3:</b> Obtain a copy of your high school transcript with ACT or ACCUPLACER scores (<i>Accuplacer can be taken for “FREE” at MCC-Penn Valley - register at <a href="http://mcckc.edu/apply">mcckc.edu/apply</a> and bring your school ID to test</i>)</p> <p><b>STEP 4: Submit the following documents:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A letter of recommendation from a current teacher or counselor <b>AND</b> a school administrator or someone of your choice that can speak to your preparation and motivation to succeed in a college environment. (<i>The letter of recommendation cannot be written by family members, friends, classmates, or teammates.</i>)</li> <li>- Current Official High School Transcript with ACT or ACCUPLACER Scores</li> <li>- Submit one (1) essay (minimum of 500 words)</li> </ul> <p>1) <i>Why should you be selected to attend the Early College Academy, and what do you want to study at UMKC?</i></p>	<p><b>By applying to the KCPS – Early College Academy at UMKC, the student and parents would be committing to the following:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Own transportation to and from the UMKC Campus (Transportation can be provided, if needed)</li> <li>• Attend UMKC college courses based on their daily college schedule</li> <li>• Check in and out daily in the ECA’s Homeroom on UMKC Campus</li> <li>• Check out and return college course textbooks at end of semester</li> <li>• Passing all courses with a “C” or higher</li> </ul> <p><b>If accepted, you will be required to attend an ECA/UMKC New Student Orientation at UMKC.</b></p> <p>~~~~~</p> <p><b>Deliver ECA - UMKC Application documents in person to the <b>PENN VALLEY Early College Academy Office</b> 3201 SW Traffic Way HUMANITIES Building - Room 008A.</b></p> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p><b>EMAIL the documents to <a href="mailto:kmcgee1@kcpublicschools.org">kmcgee1@kcpublicschools.org</a>, <a href="mailto:lpeters@kcpublicschools.org">lpeters@kcpublicschools.org</a> AND <a href="mailto:lcalhoun2@kcpublicschools.org">lcalhoun2@kcpublicschools.org</a>.</b></p> <p><b>(All attached documents must be submitted in no more than two emails.)</b></p> <p><b><u>The ECA Applications and Documents are due by 3:00 pm on November 27, 2023!</u></b></p>

**If you have questions, please call the Early College Academy Office at 816.604.4059**

### UMKC - ADMINISTRATOR/TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORM

This student has requested you to recommend them for their application to the Early College Academy. The applicant must submit recommendations with their application to ECA.

**All documents must be submitted by 3:00 pm on November 27, 2023.**

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Current School: \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluator's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the student, and in what context? \_\_\_\_\_

**Please rate the student's characteristics using the following scale and provide comments to support the rating:**

(5 - Outstanding, 4 - Excellent, 3 - Good, 2 - Average, 1 - Below Average or N/A – Unable to Rate)

<b>Study habits</b>	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
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Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Organization Skills</b>	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
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Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>self-Confidence</b>	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
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Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Maturity</b>	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
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Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Motivation</b>	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
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Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Ability Under Pressure</b>	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
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Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Self-Discipline</b>	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
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Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Recommendation Statement:

I certify that the information given is accurate to the best of my ability as it relates to this student.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**I appreciate your support of this student!!**