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## Thank you, Everett Community College! More students will get college credit for high school classes

Earlier this month, Everett Community College Board of Trustees approved \$300,000 to pay for *College in the High School* (CIHS) fees for students who otherwise would not be able to pay the fee. The board estimates more than 1,300 students will benefit from the allocation. The college will also waive the cost of college placement testing for qualifying students.

"Research shows students who earn college credit in high school are more likely to go on to college after graduation," said Superintendent Gary Cohn. "This generous allocation of funds will help students who have done all the work and have proven their capabilities to get college credit. Everett Public Schools deeply appreciates this as another

partnership action by Everett Community College,"

College in the High School, in partnership with school districts, allows high school students to earn college credit for select classes taught by teachers at their own high schools. Unlike Running Start, which also offers college credit for classes taken on a college campus, CIHS students remain on their high school campus to take part in all the activities and culture of high school. To earn college credit for CIHS classes, students pay a fee – much less than the cost of a college class, but still more than some can afford to pay.

District high school students who qualify for free and reduced lunch are eligible for the tuition waivers and can learn more by visiting with high school counselors, calling the college at 425-267-0150 or visiting the college website at <a href="https://www.EverettCc.edu/CHS">www.EverettCc.edu/CHS</a>. "High school career specialists are ready to help qualified students apply for waivers," noted Cohn.

Everett Public Schools is one of 18 districts within the community college service area. Waivers for qualifying students are available to students from all 18 school districts. Everett Community College operates the largest CIHS program in the state, with nearly 3,000 students taking college-level classes in high school.

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