



# CHS Express FAQs

## **Q: Do I need a high school diploma to start and/or complete your program?**

A: A student contacts your school and wants to earn a degree or certificate but is without a GED or diploma. This is where you can give them two options. First, they can enroll in the CHS Express course which will help the student earn credits in a timely manner so they can earn their high school diploma and enroll at the college. The second option is they can enroll in both CHS and the career college at the same time but must complete the high school diploma before earning their degree or certificate.

## **Q: How much is it going to cost me?**

A: This is dependent on your school/college. Your career college is covered under Title IV financial aid. Some colleges will pay the tuition will you are dual enrolled in both the high school diploma program and their program. You will need to discuss with your admissions counselor about receiving aid in completing your high school diploma program.

## **Q: How many credits will I need to earn to get my high school diploma?**

A: To earn a diploma at CHS you must earn 18 credits. However, most students do not have to do all 18 credits with CHS. The CHS Express course is going to assist you in collecting credits that you have already earned through transfer credit from your previous schools, test-outs, and prior work and life experiences. In fact, some students will earn their high school diploma just from taking the CHS Express course.

## **Q: How can I enroll in this CHS Express course?**

A: **Step 1:** Go to the [Adult Learning Page](#) and sign up as a student and register for the half-credit CHS Express Course

**Step 2:** Follow the instructions on how to sign up as a student and register for the course

**Step 3:** Once in the course, CHS will notify us that the student has signed up for the CHS Express Course. The career college will monitor the progress of the student through the CHS system. CHS will notify the Career College when you complete the Express course, and the student will then know how many courses they will need to graduate and the expected date of graduation.

**Step 4:** When the student completes their last course, CHS will notify the career college that the student has graduated and send the required transcript to the career college upon request by the student.



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**Q: How long will it take me to complete the high school diploma part?**

A: Well, it depends. It will depend on how many credits you are able to transfer in and earn during the CHS Express course. Some students are able to start the CHS Express course and within a couple of weeks, they complete the course and graduate. Other students will need to complete a few more courses and may take them a couple of months.

**Q: If I enroll in the high school diploma program, how many courses do I take at once?**

A: You would always be enrolled in 2 courses at a time.

**Q: Do I have to wait until August or January to enroll?**

A: No, you can enroll on any day of the year with CHS and start immediately.

**Q: Is that an accredited high school?**

A: Yes, they have the same type of accreditation as the local public school.

**Q: If I have to take a regular course after completing CHS Express how long will it take?**

A: Their courses are designed to be completed in 16 weeks, but a dedicated student can complete them in about 28 days.

**Q: Why should I get a high school diploma and not a GED?**

A: While both will satisfy for entry into the career college, many employers look more favorably upon students who have earned a high school diploma.

**Q: Do they have a counselor I can talk to about which courses I should take?**

A: No, they have something better. It is called the High School Planner which allows students to map their previous and current course scheduled based on the previous courses they have completed and those they are needing to earn their diploma. Each student learns about it and completes it during the CHS Express course.