Gull Lake Community Schools Early College Application
~ Now Accepting Applications from Current Sophomores (Class of 2020) ~

Early College Informational Meetings:

- Thursday, February 1
  - 7:00 PM
  - Gull Lake High School
- Tuesday, February 20
  - 7:00 PM
  - Gull Lake High School
- Monday, March 26
  - 7:00 PM
  - Gull Lake High School
- Thursday, April 19
  - 7:00 PM
  - Gull Lake High School

- Gull Lake Community Schools Early College is a rigorous five-year high school program, combining the best of the high school and an early college experience.
- Students in the Gull Lake Early College Program make a gradual transition from traditional high school to full time college students over the course of three years. They begin the transition by blending high school courses and college courses in 11th grade and continue to increase the blend until they are full time college students in year 13.
- The end result is for students to graduate at the end of their fifth year of high school with a high school diploma and an occupational certificate, an associate’s degree, or up to 60+ transferable college credits with a MEMCA (Michigan Early Middle College Association) Certificate.
- Gull Lake Early College partners with Kalamazoo Valley Community College, Kellogg Community College, and Western Michigan University to offer the Early College program to students.
- The cost of tuition, course materials, and fees is paid for (up to an allocated amount) by Gull Lake Community Schools.

1. Students who are considering the Early College Program should be willing, motivated, and up for the challenge to perform successfully in coursework at both the high school and college level.
2. Applications are accepted during the 10th grade year from February 1–September 1.
3. Students MUST be accepted into the Early College Program before beginning the junior year in order to participate.

For more information about the Gull Lake Early College Program, contact your high school counselor or mentor.

Priority Application Deadline: March 2, 2018

Return the completed application to the Gull Lake Administration Building, 10100 East D Avenue, Richland MI 49083
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Student Name: _______________________________ Date of Birth: _______________________________

Student Cell Phone: ___________________ Student Email: ________________________________

Current Grade (2017-18): __________ Current Cumulative Grade Point Average: __________

Currently Enrolled in: Gull Lake High School    Gull Lake Virtual School    Gull Lake Partnership    n/a

Primary Home Address: _______________________________ City: ___________ Zip Code: __________

Have either of your parents earned a college degree? yes no

Do you qualify for free or reduced lunch? yes no

Parent/Guardian #1: _______________________________ Email: ________________________________

Parent/Guardian #2: _______________________________ Email: ________________________________

Early College Post-Secondary Partner (Circle one): Kalamazoo Valley CC  Kellogg CC  Western Mich. Univ.

Early College Program Intentions:

- Associate’s Degree (62 credits)
- 60+ Transferable College Credits
- Occupational Certificate (3-30 credits)
- MEMCA Technical Certificate (15 + credit hours with career/community service hours)

Career Field of Interest: _____________________________________________________________________

If you marked “Associate’s Degree” above and plan to transfer to another university, please indicate which university you hope/intend to transfer to: _____________________________________________________________________

__________________________________________  __________________________
Student Signature                                             Date

__________________________________________  __________________________
Parent Signature                                               Date
Gull Lake Early College Program Expectations & Requirements | Parent Initials | Student Initials
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We understand that the Gull Lake Early College (GLEC) program is an option for all eligible high school students and that students must apply prior to junior year in order to be considered. |  |  
We understand/agree that enrollment in GLEC involves being enrolled in high school for a total of five years (grades 9-13). We understand that GLEC students will not be eligible for high school diploma until the completion of grade 13. |  |  
We understand that GLEC students must attend and pass all required high school classes and program-approved college courses through the end of grade 13. |  |  
We understand that GLEC students must maintain full time status as a student in order to remain eligible for continuation in the Gull Lake Early College program. |  |  
We understand that GLEC students are expected to complete at least one of the following, in addition to the high school diploma, by the end of grade 13: an Associate’s Degree, 60+ transferable credits, an occupational certificate or a MEMCA Certificate. |  |  
We understand that if a student does not earn 60+ transferable credits, an occupational certificate or an Associate’s degree, the student is expected to fulfill the requirements of the MEMCA Certificate. This includes Michigan Merit Curriculum, minimum of 15 transferable college credits, and either 40 hours of a non-paid work internship/career exploration activity, or 100 hours of verified community service (or a combination of the two for 70+ hours). |  |  
We understand that Gull Lake Early College students are required to complete a math-related course in grade 13. |  |  
We understand that the cost of college tuition, fees, and required materials for approved GLEC courses will be paid up to an allocated amount per class as determined by Gull Lake Community Schools. We also understand that any costs above the allocated amount will be the responsibility of the student and/or parent. |  |  
We understand that remedial college courses, most activity courses, and religious courses do not qualify for tuition reimbursement. |  |  

We understand that we will be responsible to repay the school district any tuition costs that were expended by the school district for failure to successfully complete a district paid post-secondary course. We understand that we will be responsible to reimburse the district for the non-completed courses prior to the start of the next semester.

We understand that GLEC students are expected to meet with a college/university academic advisor each semester and are responsible for enrolling in approved courses towards the degree program in accordance with the procedures established by the district.

We understand that some courses offered on a college campus may involve content not typically taught or considered appropriate in high schools. Students may encounter adult or controversial subject matter. In addition, we also understand that GLEC students may be exposed to college aged and adult students during the course of their participation on the college campus.

We understand that placement testing will be required in order to determine appropriate college course placement and that it is the student’s responsibility to arrange a time to complete placement testing either at the college/university or at high school (if available).

We understand that students will likely have to take one or more of their college courses outside of their high school day. We understand that transportation is the responsibility of the student/parent.

We understand that GLEC students must follow and adhere to both the high school academic calendar and the college calendar (may differ for Spring Breaks, holidays, etc.)

We understand that GLEC students are expected to actively participate in College and Career Readiness-Gr. 10 and Early College Capstone-Gr. 13 through formal coursework.

We understand that GLEC students are expected to maintain regular contact with an assigned mentor through grade 13.

We understand that GLEC students are enrollees of Gull Lake Community Schools through grade 13 and the laws, policies, and graduation requirements still apply.

We understand that GLEC students are not eligible for any college scholarships, federal financial aid, or any other grants while receiving tuition assistance from GLCS.

We understand Federal Education Right to Privacy Act (FERPA) restricts the amount of information parents can access regarding the student’s academic progress at the college level. College attendance and grades will not be readily available to parents to access. We understand it is the student’s responsibility, not the parents, to consult with the instructor regarding assignments, tests, grades.

We understand that failure to comply with any of the GLEC Program expectations and requirements may result in early dismissal from the program.