



# **ABOUT MIDDLE COLLEGE**

Middle College is a unique collaborative program between the Clarksville-Montgomery County School System and Austin Peay State University that enables junior and senior high school students to obtain a high school education while concurrently receiving direct and invaluable access to free college courses. Middle College was designated as a 2023 National Blue Ribbon School.

# **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

- Clarksville-Montgomery County resident
- Currently enrolled as a CMCSS student
- 2.85 GPA or 19 ACT composite score
- · Maturity for the college environment
- · Good attendance and behavior
- On track to graduate

# Potential Middle College students may possess any of these characteristics:

- · Seeks intellectual stimulation
- Desires a more mature learning environment
- Demonstrates the development to cope with the challenges and relative freedom of a college campus
- Values the importance of education, but does not necessarily desire the extra-curricular activities or athletics of a traditional high school







### Middle College has three pathways for students to consider:

### TRANSITIONAL PATHWAY

- Students who complete both their junior and senior years in the transitional pathway will earn a maximum of 30 hours of college credit.
- JUNIORS will be required to take one to two college classes per semester.
- SENIORS will be required to take two to three college classes per semester.

## **FINE ARTS PATHWAY**

- Students who complete both their junior and senior years in the fine arts pathway will earn a maximum of 30 hours of college credit with a focused elective in fine arts: music, visual arts, theatre, or dance.
- JUNIORS will be required to take one to two college classes per semester.
- SENIORS will be required to take two to three college classes per semester.

## **ASSOCIATE DEGREE PATHWAY**

- Students who complete both their junior and senior years as Associate Degree Pathway students will earn both a CMCSS high school diploma and an APSU Associate Degree.
- Students accepted into this pathway will be required to take and pass university classes during the summers between their sophomore to junior year and junior to senior year.
- Placement in this pathway is limited.



# **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

#### Is there a financial obligation to attending Middle College?

Through the utilization of grants and scholarships, Middle College students will not be required to pay tuition nor will they incur the expense of textbooks. Students will be apprised regarding any fees which may be assessed.

#### Is transportation provided?

Students who attend Middle College will be responsible for their own dependable transportation to and from the college campus. CMCSS will not provide school bus transportation. However, as a student at Austin Peay, students will be able to ride the city's transit system free of charge with an issued bus pass. In addition, students who drive to school will be granted access to park in the designated student parking lots after completing the vehicle registration process.

#### Do I attend my home school as well?

Once you enroll in Middle College, you are no longer considered a student at your previous school. You are viewed as a visitor when you are on another campus.

## If I start the program as a junior, will I have to reapply for my senior year?

Upon being admitted to Middle College, you will remain until you graduate, as long as you meet academic and discipline standards.

#### Will I be able to receive scholarships to pay for my college after Middle College?

Yes! Taking and being successful in college classes as a high school student is a great way to stand apart from other applicants and show that you have the maturity and ability to be successful in college. Our recent graduates averaged about \$111,000 per student in scholarship awards.

#### What high school will be listed on my diploma?

Since Middle College is an accredited high school and students who attend Middle College have transferred from another accredited high school, all diplomas will be conferred by the Middle College at Austin Peay State University.

#### Who teaches the classes?

High School classes are taught by high school teachers and only include high school students. College courses are taught by college professors and will have both high school and college students in them. Students will attend both high school classes and college courses.

#### Where do we eat lunch?

The University Center has a food court, cafeteria, and coffee shop. There are also snack bars on campus. Students can also bring lunch or eat off campus. However, students who qualify for free/reduced lunch and those wishing to utilize their CMCSS cafeteria account may eat lunch at Burt Elementary, which is located near our building on campus.







# **OUR MISSION**

The Middle College at Austin Peay State University's mission is to support students in pursuing post-secondary goals through the immersive college environment. State University's vision is for all students to graduate with an attainable, well-structured plan for their post-secondary goals.

