

PCCR

Plan for College and Career Readiness

Meet Your Counselor

Counselors at Elk Ridge Middle School are committed to being an advocate for all students. We provide direct services to students through responsive services (individual and group counseling), classroom guidance lessons, and individual planning through the PCCR process. It is our goal to assist students in feeling academically and socially successful while here at ERMS.

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Students may come to the counseling center during non-instructional time. If their counselor is unavailable students may sign up for an appointment. Parents may also call to schedule an appointment with their counselor.
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What is a PCCR?

Plan for College and Career Readiness (PCCR) is a comprehensive program that includes activities, classroom presentation, assemblies, course selection and individual meetings to help guide students prepare for post-secondary education and careers. This process begins in elementary school and continues through high school. Your 8th grade PCCR meeting is an important part of this process.

Skyward

Become familiar with Skyward to check your grades/attendance regularly. Checking your grades and assignments is a great way to be proactive about your grades.

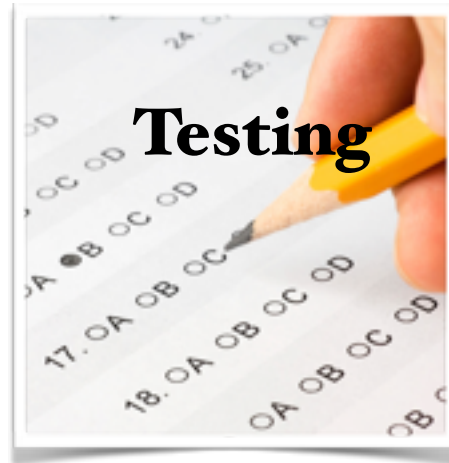
- Go to <http://web.jordan.k12.ut.us/wjms/>
- Click on “Parent” on the top menu bar
- Click on “Skyward”
- Enter your Login and Password



9th grade is officially high school!

As a 9th grade student, you are officially in high school. The grades you earn in 9th grade will count toward graduation!

- If you are struggling in classes, don't hesitate to get help. Talk to your teacher as soon as you can.
- All teachers are available at various times before and after school. You may go to any of the teachers for help (it does not have to be your teacher).
- National Junior Honor Society students from Bingham High School are here after school on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoons to offer math help.



SAGE

The Student Assessment of Growth and Excellence (SAGE) is a system of assessments designed to measure student success and growth over the years. SAGE tests are based on the Utah Core Standards, a set of academic standards that raise our expectations for students and teachers. ERMS students take SAGE Summative (year end) testing in Language Arts, Math and Science. For more information, go to <http://www.sageportal.org>

SRI

The Scholastic Reading Inventory (SRI) is a research-based, computer-adaptive assessment for grades K-12. Students at ERMS take the SRI three times throughout the school year. The SRI measures students' levels of reading comprehension and speed. SRI scores are one indicator used to determine Honors Language Arts Placement.

AP

Advanced Placement (AP) tests are taken in May of each year at the culmination of an AP course. Most institutions will grant college credit or waive prerequisites for a score of 3 or higher (1-5 rating scale). Elk Ridge Middle offers an AP Human Geography course for 9th grade students. The course is self-select so there is not an application process to be admitted, however, the course is very rigorous and requires many hours of study time each week outside of class.



JSD Graduation Requirements

Credits	Subject	Specific Classes Required	College Bound Recommended Credits
4	Language Arts	LA 9, LA 10, LA 11, LA 12 or other	4
3	Math	Secondary Math 1, 2 and 3	4
3.5	Social Studies	Geography, World Civilization, US History, US Government	3.5
3	Science	2 Foundation/Core credits, 1 additional Foundational/ Core credit or an Advanced, Applied or Foundation credit	4
2	Health Lifestyles	PST, Health, Fitness for Life, PE Elective	2
1	CTE		1
0.5	Computer Technology		0.5
0.5	Financial Literacy		0.5
1.5	Arts		1.5
8	Electives		8
27 Total	(minimum)		World Language: 2

Jordan School District Math Pathways

6th	6th Grade Mathematics		
7th	7th Grade	7th Grade Honors	8th Grade Honors
8th	8th Grade	8th Grade Honors	Secondary Math I H
9th	Secondary Math I	Secondary Math I H	Secondary Math II H
10th	Secondary Math II*	Secondary Math II H	Secondary Math III H
11th	Secondary Math III*	Secondary Math III	AP Calculus***
12th	Pre Calculus or AAF Course**	AP Calculus***	AP Statistics

* Struggling Students may enroll in a supplemental math course simultaneously with the core class.

** AAF Courses include accounting I, accounting II, college prep math, computer programming, introductory calculus, introductory statistics, mathematics concurrent enrollment, mathematics of personal finance, AP Calculus, and AP statistics.

*** Students may take AP Calculus, AP Statistics, or Math 1050/1060.

Outside/Recovery Credit



SUMMER SCHOOL

Valley High School visit <http://valleyowls.org/register/SummerSchool.shtml> for credit recovery session schedules. Each class is one hour and you can take up to 5 classes per session. Registration and class fees apply. PH: 801.572.7035 | 325 W. 11000 S. South Jordan, UT 84095

USTAR Summer Classes visit <http://collegecareer.jordandistrict.org/give-your-self-some-credit/ways-to-earn-credit/supplemental-programs/> Summer USTAR classes allow you to accelerate your progress in math and science so you can learn more and take more math and science classes in high school. The math and physics classes also allow you to make up missing credit by the quarter. There is no cost. Please visit the website for locations and class dates.

PACKETS

Northridge Learning Center visit <https://www.northridgelearningcenter.com> The Learning Center offers packets for credit recovery as well as original credit. Packet fees apply. A test must be taken at the end of the course. PH: 801.776.4532 (option 3) | 3650 W 9800 S South Jordan, UT

Bingham High School visit <http://binghamhighcounseling.weebly.com/make-up--original-credit.html> for information regarding independent study packets. Contact Bingham High for information about fees and subjects available. Please note that packets from Bingham are only available to students in grades 10-12. PH: 801.256.5120 | 2160 W 10400 S South Jordan

ONLINE

BYU Independent Study visit <http://is.byu.edu/site/> for fees and subjects available.

Utah Students Connect visit <http://www.utahfcla.org/utahstudentsconnect/index.php/component/content/?view=featured> for credit recovery or original credit. Classes are held during the summer. Fees apply. PH: 801.567.8143 Jordan Online Specialist.

Advanced Placement (AP) Credit



AP offers high school students the opportunity to take college-level courses while attending high school. All students are eligible to take AP courses but keep in mind they are rigorous. AP courses require significant study time outside of the school day. In AP classes, students are given the intellectual responsibility to think critically, rationally, and analytically. AP classes can give you a sense of what

college will be like. In fact, a recent U.S. Department of Education study shows that participation and success in AP and other challenging high school courses is one of the strongest predictors of college success.

Requirements: A strong curiosity about the AP subject you plan to study and a willingness to work hard.

Advantages: AP gives you an early start on college, tuition savings, an enriching academic experience, and increased access to higher education.

College Credit: Earned by passing the comprehensive exam at the end of the year.

<http://apcentral.collegeboard.com/home>

Concurrent Enrollment (CE)



Concurrent enrollment means that students are enrolled in high school and college classes at the same time by taking a class that counts for credit in both places. Concurrent enrollment students are juniors and seniors, and they will likely earn concurrent college credit through Salt Lake Community College (SLCC). Credits are recorded on both the permanent high school transcript and the college transcript. Concurrent enrollment courses taught at the high school are the same courses taught on the college campus.

Requirements: A GPA (typically a B average), ACT score (typically 22 or higher, or a placement score which predicts a student's likelihood of achieving a B or better in the course).

Advantages: Earn high school and college credit at the same time provided that you earn a C grade or higher.

College Credit: A grade of C- or lower may not be considered a passing grade for college credit.

Therefore, a student may have to retake the course. Also, low grades may not transfer from one college or university to another. All in-state public higher education institutions accept all CE credits. However, credits may or may not articulate directly. Credits that do not articulate directly will transfer in as elective credit for USHE institutions. If the student transfers to a private or out of state institution, credit awarded will be up to the discretion of the institution. <http://www.slcc.edu/concurrentenrollment/students/index.aspx>



Jordan Applied Technology Center

High school applied technology centers offer half-day advanced skills training programs. You will have opportunities for hands-on learning experiences, including internships. Some programs also offer college credit upon successful completion. Upon completion students are prepared for employment or further education. Students are eligible to attend technical school in their 11th or 12th grade years. Students interested in applying for technical school should start planning with their school counselor during their 10th grade year. <http://www.jatc-wj.org>

Automotive Collision Repair	Emergency Medical Technician	Occupational Therapy
Barbering	Engineering	Pharmacy Technician
Biotechnology	Fire Science	Physical Therapy
Commercial Aircraft Pilot	Heavy Duty Mechanics/ Diesel	Surgical Technician
Computer Programming	Landscape Management	Teacher Education
Criminal Justice	Medical Assistant	Veterinary Science
Dental Assistant	Nail Technician	Web/Mobile App Development
Digital Media	Nurse Assistant (CNA)	Welding

CTE Pathways Program

A CTE Pathway is a method of searching for a career that fits a student’s interests and lifestyle, and allows him or her to build academic courses around it. Pathways ensure that students will be prepared to take advantage of the full range of postsecondary options, including on-the-job training, certification programs, and two- and four-year college degrees. In Utah, there are over 50 Pathways within seven Areas of Study.

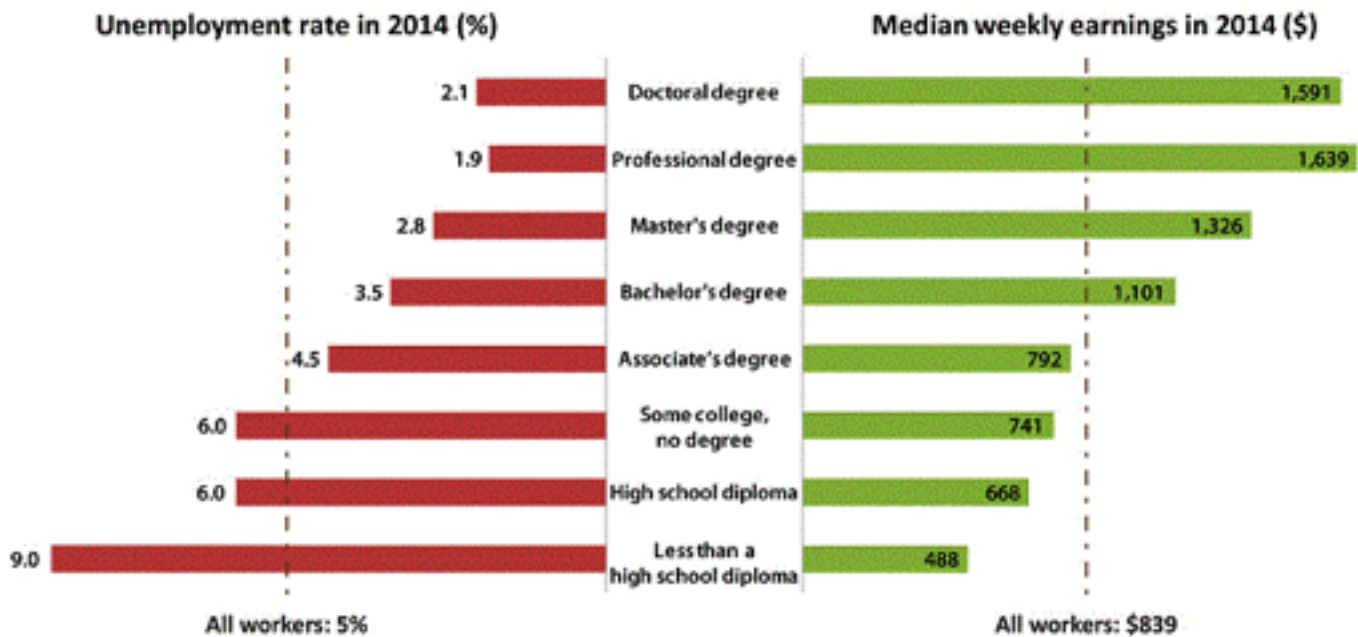
- Agricultural
- Business and Marketing
- Family and Consumer Sciences
- Health Science
- Information Technology
- Skilled and Technical Sciences
- Technology and Engineering



Pathways provide: Technical skills training, a jump-start on a future career, hands-on learning, college credit and a savings of time and money!
 Visit <http://www.schools.utah.gov/CTE/pathways/default.aspx> for more information.

College Pays!

Earnings and unemployment rates by educational attainment



Note: Data are for persons age 25 and over. Earnings are for full-time wage and salary workers.
 Source: Current Population Survey, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor

College Prep

Utah Scholars

Visit: <https://stepuputah.com/id/students/utah-scholars-the-first-step-to-college/>

PH: 801.321.7179 | Board of Regents Building, 60 S 400 W Salt Lake City, UT 84101

Utah Scholars takes a holistic approach to college readiness. The program is intended to motivate you and students like you to complete specific college readiness tasks in grades 8-12 to help prepare you for college. To earn the distinction of being a Utah Scholar, you will need to earn a total of 200 points throughout high school. You receive points by doing things like following us on Instagram, Twitter, or Facebook, taking AP/IB or Concurrent Enrollment classes, visiting a college campus, and learning about paying for college options. By meeting the Utah Scholars requirements, you will receive the Utah Scholars certificate and medallion when you graduate high school.

UtahFutures.org

UtahFutures.org is a career information planning system for all Utah Students. It features cutting-edge career planning tools that include education and training options and direct links to colleges and universities. The site is provided free of charge to all Utah students through the Utah State Office of Education, the Utah Higher Education Assistance Authority, the Utah State Office of Rehabilitation and the Department of Workforce Services.

Scholarships

**Scholarships are subject to change based on funding from year to year. Refer to all websites for the most up to date information.



Regent's Scholarship

Visit: <https://stepuputah.com/regentsscholarship/>

PH: 801.321.7159 | P.O. Box 145114 Salt Lake City, UT

The Regent's Scholarship encourages Utah high school students to prepare for college academically and financially by taking a core course of study and saving for college. The scholarship may be used at any public college or university in the Utah System of Higher Education, as well as at BYU-Provo, LDS Business College, and Westminster College.

Base Award: Up to \$1,000, one-time payment

- Complete the required courses during grades 9-12
- Earn a 3.0 Cumulative high school GPA
- Earn nothing lower than a "C" in required courses
- Submit at least one ACT test score

Exemplary Academic Achievement Award: Up to \$1,250 per semester, for up to four semesters, based on performance.

- Complete the required courses during grades 9-12
- Earn a 3.5 cumulative high school GPA
- Earn nothing lower than a “B” in required courses
- Submit an ACT score of 26 or better

Utah Scholar and Regent’s Scholarship Core Course of Study

4 Credits of English

4 Credits of progressive Math (one class beyond Math 3)

3.5 Credits of Social Science

3 Credits of Lab-Based Science (One each: biology, chemistry and physics)

2 Credits of a World Language (Same language, taken progressively during grades 9-12)

New Century Scholarship

Visit: <https://stepuputah.com/newcenturyscholarship/>

PH: 801.321.7221 | P.O. Box 145116 Salt Lake City, UT

The New Century Scholarship encourages Utah high school students to accelerate their education by earning an associate degree in high school from an institution within the Utah System of Higher Education or completing a specific math and science curriculum. The Scholarship may be used at any four-year public college or university in the Utah System of Higher Education, as well as at BYU-Provo and Westminster College.

The scholarship award is a flat dollar amount; the maximum amount a recipient may receive is \$1,250 per semester, renewable for up to 60 credits or four semesters (whichever occurs first). Eligible students:

- Graduate from a Utah high school with a minimum 3.5 cumulative GPA
- Complete all course work for their associate degree by the date they graduate from high school with a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA
- Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen
- Have no criminal record except misdemeanor traffic citations
- Enroll in and successfully complete 15 credit hours the fall semester after high school graduation at an eligible institution maintaining a 3.3 semester GPA

Financial Preparation for College

FAFSA4CASTER

<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa/estimate>

FAFSA4caster is a free financial aid calculator that gives you an early estimate of your eligibility for federal student aid. This information helps families plan ahead for college. FAFSA4caster is for anyone who is not yet ready to file a FAFSA. The tool is recommended for high school juniors, and even as early as middle school. Parents of younger students can use the tool to receive early estimates, create scenarios based on future earnings, and then establish college funding strategies. Adult students also can use FAFSA4caster to get an idea of what aid they might receive. You must use the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) to apply for aid once you've decided to apply for admission and attend college.

Utah System of Higher Education

Visit: <https://highereducation.utah.edu/college-prep-resources/>

Many students and parents feel overwhelmed at the idea of preparing for college, and feel unsure where to start. But don't worry, there are many resources in Utah to help you get ready for the future you've always wanted.

FAFSA

<https://fafsa.ed.gov>

The office of Federal Student Aid provides grants, loans, and work-study funds for college or career school. Federal Student Aid, a part of the U.S. Department of Education, is the largest provider of student financial aid in the nation. They offer more than \$150 billion each year to help millions of students pay for higher education.



NCAA Eligibility



National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) eligibility applies to students who are wanting to play college level sports (specifically Division I or Division II). It is the Student's & Parent's responsibility to make sure that the student is eligible for NCAA. This means:

- Read through the NCAA Eligibility Center Quick Reference Guide
http://fs.ncaa.org/Docs/eligibility_center/Quick_Reference_Sheet.pdf
- Take NCAA approved classes (outlined in the guide)
- Any classes that need to be made up should be done through NCAA approved resources
- Register with NCAA at www.eligibilitycenter.org
- Speak with your high school counselor in the 10th grade





Plan for College and Career Readiness Online Resources

Utah Futures	https://utahfutures.org
USOE College & Career Ready	http://schools.utah.gov/college-and-career-ready/
My Next Move (World of Work)	https://www.mynextmove.org
Utah System of Higher Education	http://higheredutah.org
Step Up to College and Career	https://stepuputah.com
College Board (AP and SAT)	https://www.collegeboard.org
You Can Go to College!	http://youcango.collegeboard.org
El Grito de la Prosperidad	http://elgrito.interweavesolutions.org
ACT Test	http://www.actstudent.org
Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)	https://fafsa.ed.gov
Borrow Wisely for College	http://www.borrowwisely.org/borrowers/learn/how_can_i_reduce_the_cost_of_college_
Khan Academy	https://www.khanacademy.org
Shmoop (Test Prep)	http://www.shmoop.com
First Generation College Info.	http://www.imfirst.org