



**Mission Statement**

All students, regardless of background or skill level, will have the opportunity to pursue a growth mindset that will allow them to achieve mastery and to demonstrate they can succeed in school, in college, and in their chosen career. No exceptions. No excuses.

**What is an Early College?**

The Early College high school is a bold approach, based on the principle that academic rigor, combined with the opportunity to save time and money, is a powerful motivator for students to work hard and meet serious intellectual challenges. Early college high schools blend high school and college in a rigorous yet supportive program, compressing the time it takes to complete a high school diploma and the first two years of college.

**CSEC as an Early College**

CSEC was founded in 2006 and welcomed its first students in the fall of 2007.

CSEC has grown from 320 students in 2007 to 671 in 2018.

CSEC has had 11 graduating classes; the graduating class of 2018 had 118 graduates of which 50% earned an Associate degree or 60+ college credits before their high school graduation.

CSEC has expanded to Fort Collins, Parker, Aurora and Satellite offices in Highlands Ranch and Westminster.

**College Prep (High School) Program**

Rigorous high school level course work  
 Highly qualified teachers  
 Prepares students for college-level course work quickly and efficiently  
 Core classes fulfill college course prerequisites  
 Designed to help students at all levels including those who are academically ahead, right on track or behind  
 Tracks with the community college system by offering course content similar to their pre-college-level courses

Math/English 060 = Developmental English 090 = High School level Math 090 = Algebra I (with Geometry) Math 099 = Algebra II (with Geometry)

**College Program**

Courses and grades are recorded both on CSEC's high school transcript and on the college transcript from the institution providing the course.  
 College/university-approved professors  
 College BRIDGE students attend PPCC  
 College courses on the CSEC campus as part of CSEC's normal school day in classes composed entirely of CSEC students.  
 College SELECT students attend college courses at area institutions such as PPCC, UCCS and CSU-Pueblo, integrating into the classrooms and campus life of those institutions learning side-by-side with other college students.  
 GT Pathways courses are guaranteed to transfer to Colorado Post-Secondary Institutions.

**CSEC Leadership**

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## CSEC Transcript

College courses are indicated with the institution's initials at the beginning of the course name.

Semester or quarter credit hours are indicated at the end of each course name. i.e. (3) or (4).

It is recommended that a student's college transcript be submitted and considered along with CSEC's transcript.

## CSEC Transcript Key

PPCC—Pikes Peak Community College

UCCS—University of Colorado Colorado Springs

CSU---Colorado State University at Pueblo

Class rank is based on weighted GPA, is calculated once each year in February, and may not include second semester grades.

GPA on the transcript is current as of the printing of the transcript based on grades currently on the transcript and may not be the GPA on which class rank is based.

## Grading Scale

A	4	90-100%
B	3	80-89%
C	2	70-79%
F	0	69 and below

*While college transcripts will give grade points for D grades, CSEC does not recognize a D as a passing grade.*

## Graduation Requirements

Early College Graduation Requirements	University and Associate Pathway	Career and Technical Education Pathway
English	4	4
Mathematics	4	3
Natural Science	3	2
Social Science	3*	2*
World Languages	2**	0
College and Career Readiness	1***	1***
Academic Electives	3	8
Post-Secondary Credential	Associate Degree OR >= 60 college credits	CTE Certificate

## Diploma & Distinctions

Diploma					Distinctions
With Honors	With High Honors	*Cum Laude (with praise)	*Magna Cum Laude (with great praise)	*Summa Cum Laude (with highest praise)	Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness Endorsement
30+ College credits and a certificate	60+ College credits	3.50 Cumulative unweighted GPA	3.65 Cumulative unweighted GPA	3.80 Cumulative unweighted GPA	Includes but is not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>College Ready in Math, English and three additional college disciplines</li> <li>Completed internship and service hours</li> </ul> Refer to school for complete requirements.

## Grades & Credits

College prep courses earn .5 credits/semester.

College courses are weighted on a 5 point GPA scale.

College semester credit hours convert to high school semester credits

College Credit	High School
1	.5
2	1
3	1
4	1.5
5	2

## 2018-2019 Student Population

Total student body 671

Part-time students 24

Seniors 298

Juniors 165

Sophomores 117

Freshmen 91

Female 339

Male 332

African American 7%

American Indian/Alaskan Native 1%

Asian 5%

Caucasian 58%

Hispanic 23%

Pacific Islander 0%

Two or More Race Categories 6%

Unspecified 0%

## School Code (CEEB): 060247

**District & Accreditation:** CSEC is authorized under and accredited through the **Colorado Charter School Institute**, a statewide authorizer for charter schools, accredited within the State of Colorado. We are not affiliated with any Colorado Springs school district.

**Location:** CSEC shares a campus with Colorado Technical University (CTU) near I-25 and Garden of the Gods Road.

### Affiliates:

**Pikes Peak Community College** - PPCC

[www.ppcc.edu](http://www.ppcc.edu)

**University of Colorado Colorado Springs** – UCCS

[www.uccs.edu](http://www.uccs.edu)

**Colorado State University-Pueblo**

[www.csupueblo.edu](http://www.csupueblo.edu)

**Charter School Institute** – CSI

[www.csi.state.co.us](http://www.csi.state.co.us)

**League of Charter Schools**

[www.coloradoleague.org](http://www.coloradoleague.org)