



## RUNNING START

# ACADEMIC STANDARDS POLICY (Abbreviated)

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Running Start is a fantastic opportunity to earn high school and college credit simultaneously. Green River College is committed to the academic success of its students. The primary purpose of the Academic Standards Policy is to identify struggling students and provide them with assistance to improve their academic performance. Failure to meet academic standards may negatively impact a student, resulting in any of the following:

- dismissal from the Running Start Program
- possible delayed completion of a high school diploma
- possible inability to qualify for state or federal financial aid
- possible inability to transfer to a university

By enrolling in Running Start at Green River, you agree to follow this policy; please read the following carefully.

## THE ACADEMIC STANDARDS POLICY (Abbreviated)

In order to make satisfactory academic progress, to remain eligible for Running Start, you must:

1. **Earn a minimum 2.0 quarterly grade point average (GPA) AND**
2. **Earn a minimum 2.0 cumulative grade point average (GPA) AND**
3. **Complete at least 75% of credits enrolled each quarter**
  - Failure to earn credit includes earning an "I," "NC," "W" or a grade below a 1.0 on your transcript.
  - There is a brief period at the beginning of each quarter to withdraw from a class and not have it post to your permanent transcript; follow the important deadlines published in the quarterly class schedule.

## IF YOU DO NOT MEET ACADEMIC STANDARDS

### 1. Academic Caution

The first quarter you do not meet academic standards, you will receive an email about your academic status and any registration restrictions (if applicable) and may be contacted via phone by a Running Start Educational Planner to discuss strategies for improving academic performance.

### 2. Academic Intervention

The second quarter you do not meet academic standards, you will receive an email about your academic status and will be unable to register for classes until you meet with a Running Start Educational Planner. Restrictions may be imposed, such as reduced/restricted credit load or you may be required to attend a student success workshop and/or tutoring.

### 3. Academic Dismissal

The third quarter you do not meet academic standards, you will be dismissed from the Running Start Program at Green River College. Your option will be to self-pay for tuition and/or return to your high school. An appeal process is available and may be approved on a case-by-case basis.

## ADDITIONAL NOTES

You are expected to know your academic status at all times. You may access your unofficial transcript online. Grades generally post to your transcript 5-7 days after the quarter ends. It is advisable to track your grades during the quarter with your instructor so you are aware of your performance and can address concerns as they arise.

We want your experience as a Running Start student to be productive and positive. If you are struggling in classes, utilize the free resources available, such as tutoring, counseling, advising, workshops, etc. Please do not hesitate to contact our staff for guidance.

The full Green River College Academic Standards Policy is online: <http://www.greenriver.edu/Documents/about-grcc/policies-and-procedures/SA-01-academic-standards-and-progress.pdf>