

Dear Salem-Keizer Public School Parents,

We would like you to be aware of an exciting opportunity for your student. Salem-Keizer Public Schools, in partnership with Chemeketa Community College, is offering high school students an opportunity to pursue their high school diploma while earning college credit. Since 2006, we have been educating 9th-12th graders in building 50 on Chemeketa's campus in NE Salem. During that time, we have developed into a diverse learning community that offers small class sizes and focused learning opportunities for academically motivated students.

Beginning in the freshman year of high school, students begin their preparation for college classes. Early College High School students develop rigorous academic skills through their courses and are also taught college preparedness through the AVID program. AVID, Advancement Via Individual Determination, is a college readiness system designed to increase school wide learning and performance. As students mature in their academic abilities, they progress from our high school courses into college courses offered through Chemeketa. Early College High School allows our students to graduate with their high school diploma, as well as, many college credit hours. Some of our students will even graduate with an Associate's Degree from Chemeketa Community College. This wonderful opportunity is offered to students at no financial cost.

For more information and applications, please visit our Early College High School website at: <http://echs.salkeiz.k12.or.us> or contact our school at 503-365-4800. Early College High School is currently accepting applications for the 2017-2018 school year. All interested students and families are encouraged to join us for our open house on **March 7th**, from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

Sincerely,

Jay Weeks, Principal
Early College High School

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