The following are instructions to help you complete the application:

1. Read the instructions carefully.
2. **Students** should complete the application in **black or blue ink**.

**Step 1- Applying**

Submit the following documents by July 15, 2022 to the Director of Early College. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

- Completed Early College Academy College Bound Scholarship Eligibility Form
- Middle School Transcript
- Early College Academy student questionnaire
- Parent and child acknowledgement of expectations.

**Step 2- Selection Process**

Admission into the Early College Academy will be based on the following factors:

- Minimum of 3.0 unweighted grade point average
- Successful completion of Algebra I (or higher) in mathematics
- Completed middle school transcript
- Review of student questionnaire

*Note: No preference will be given for early applications. Applications will only be reviewed for completeness prior to the July 15, 2022 application deadline. All applications for acceptance will be evaluated at the same time.*
Step 3- Confirmation of Acceptance

After applications are reviewed, students accepted into the ECA will receive an email of acceptance. Upon receipt of that email, students must:

- Send an email confirming acceptance into the Academy by August 5th. All emails must be sent to: April Stern, Director of Early College at Cecil College at astern@cecil.edu
- Complete the Cecil College Admissions application specific to Early College Academy students. Directions will be provided after acceptance into the program.

Step 4- Fall Orientation

Accepted students will attend the mandatory orientation night at Oxford Area High School in August 2022. ECA schedules will be provided the night of orientation.
April 6th

- Penn's Grove Information Night, 6pm
- Application packet posted on OAHS website

July 15th

- All completed application packets due to Cecil College's Early College Director.

July

- Students to receive acceptance letters and next steps.

August 5th

- Deadline to return email of Intent to Cecil College's Early College Director

August

- Freshman Orientation program at OAHS
Quick Facts

Early College Academy Description

The Early College Academy, co-located at Cecil College and Oxford Area High School, will enroll students beginning in grade 9. Successful students will complete high school with a high school diploma and an Associate’s degree from Cecil College. Each year up to 25 students are selected for admission to the Academy. Prior to their freshman year, Academy students will participate in an Orientation Program to introduce them to academic expectations and resources available to them during their four years in the Academy. Throughout their enrollment, students are supported by tutors, mentors, and advisors from Oxford and College staff. While taking classes, students are guided through seminars and individualized advising to help them build the academic skills needed to succeed in high school and college coursework.

Admission Process

Each eighth-grade student entering the Early College Academy must complete the admissions process by July 15th. They will submit application materials to the Early College Academy Coordinator. Application materials are reviewed and evaluated by administrators at Cecil College. Students are contacted by the middle of July to confirm their admission to the Academy.

- A transcript with a minimum GPA of 3.0
- College bound scholarship eligibility form
- Parent & child acknowledgement of expectations
- Student questionnaire

Support Services

Academic support will be provided throughout each year of enrollment. Support services will be highlighted at orientation, so students and their families are sufficiently aware of the resources available to help them succeed. Students will have access to tutoring, library resources, a reading and writing center, and computer labs. Academy students will be guided through their coursework with the support of an academic advisor. The advisor will also coordinate the academic seminars each year of the program. A sampling of the seminars is as follows:

- Test Taking Techniques
- Time Management
- Study Skills & Strategies
- Math Building Skills
- Critical Thinking Skills
Course Offerings in 2022-2023

See ECA enclosed curriculum sheet.

Registration for college courses will be completed by the Director of Early College or Advisor. Registration for high school courses will occur in the spring of 2022 as regularly scheduled.

Early College Academy Cecil Support Team

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<th>Role</th>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Email</th>
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<tr>
<td>Director of Early College</td>
<td>April Stern</td>
<td><a href="mailto:astern@cecil.edu">astern@cecil.edu</a></td>
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<tr>
<td>Academic Advisor for Students</td>
<td>Diena Gischel</td>
<td><a href="mailto:dgischel@cecil.edu">dgischel@cecil.edu</a></td>
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Academy Costs (approximate and based on 2021-2022 tuition rates)

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<th>Credits</th>
<th>Out-of-State Tuition Rate</th>
<th>Fees</th>
<th>Early College Academy Tuition (After Scholarships)</th>
<th>Cecil College Scholarship per Credit</th>
<th>OASD Scholarship per Class*</th>
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*Current OASD scholarship levels dependent on fundraising in subsequent years. This amount may increase or decrease.

- On average, an Associate’s Degree is 60 credits.
- Total cost of tuition only is approximately $9,900 over four years of high school with the provided scholarships.

Important Dates

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<td>Attend ECA information session at Penns Grove Middles School or via Zoom, 6pm</td>
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<td>July 15th 2022</td>
<td>Complete Early College Academy admissions packet and submit to ECA Coordinator.</td>
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<td>Students receive acceptance letters and next steps.</td>
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<td>August 2022</td>
<td>Early College Academy Orientation Program at Oxford Area High School and Cecil College.</td>
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## ECA Curriculum

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ECA Student Questionnaire - This form allows us to get to know you as you apply to the Early College Academy. This form should be completed by the student.

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<th>Favorite Hobbies</th>
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High School Interests

Please select any of the following high school initiatives that interest you (Note: it is okay not to answer this question.):

- Academic Competition Team [ ] YES
- Art Club [ ] YES
- Athletics (Sports Teams) [ ] YES
- Chess Club [ ] YES
- Chorus and Choral Ensemble [ ] YES
- Class Advisors [ ] YES
- Concert Band [ ] YES
- Drama Department [ ] YES
- Envirothon [ ] YES
- French Honor Society/French Club [ ] YES
- Future Business Leaders of America [ ] YES
- Future Farms of America [ ] YES
- Gay/Straight Alliance [ ] YES
- Helping Hands [ ] YES
- Interact Club [ ] YES
- LEOs Club [ ] YES
- Library Book Club [ ] YES
- Marching Band and Color Guard [ ] YES
- National English Honor Society [ ] YES
- National Honor Society [ ] YES
- Newspaper [ ] YES
- Photography Club [ ] YES
- Project Lead the Way [ ] YES
- Renaissance Committee [ ] YES
- Robotics Club [ ] YES
- Ski & Snowboard Club [ ] YES
- Spanish Honor Society [ ] YES
- Student Athletic Trainer [ ] YES
- Student Council [ ] YES
- Student Diversity Club [ ] YES
- Technical College High School (TCHS) [ ] YES
- Tri-M Music Honor Society [ ] YES
- WOHS [ ] YES
- Yearbook [ ] YES

Top Three Colleges or Universities of Choice

Please list three college or universities that you feel are a good fit for you and your educational goals (Note: it is okay not to answer this question.):

College/University:  
Desired field of study:

College/University:  
Desired field of study:

College/University:  
Desired field of study:

Signature

Signature: ___________________________________________ Date:____________________
College Bound Scholarship participants must meet the following requirements:

- be certified as an Oxford Area High School Early College Academy Student.
- possess a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or above.

This form must be completed and submitted to your guidance counselor. After acceptance into the Early College Academy, Students must also complete the Cecil College admissions application. Skills assessments must be completed at the end of the sophomore year for English and at the end of the junior year for mathematics. **THE COLLEGE BOUND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM DOES NOT APPLY TO DEVELOPMENTAL COURSES.**

Early College Academy students will pay the tuition rate based on their residency minus one half the in-county tuition rate. Additional scholarship adjustments will be made for administrative fees. Course fees are variable and are charged accordingly.

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Name: _________________________________________     ___________________________     _______

(Last Name)          (First Name)                    (M.I)

Date of Birth: _______ /______ /______

(Month)    (Day)     (Year)

High School Attending: Oxford Area High School

Grade Point Average: _______     Year of Graduation: _______

I hereby authorize Cecil College to release my school records to the high school named above and to my parent indicated below:

Student Signature:  ___________________________________________ Date:  ________________

Parent Signature:    ___________________________________________ Date:  ________________

Oxford Area School Official:  ________________________________       Date:  _______________

Principal   OR    Guidance Counselor

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Parent and Child Acknowledgement of Expectations

Student Expectations
If you are accepted into the ECA, you agree to accept and follow the expectations below:

- ECA is an academically rigorous program and requires dedication by students both in class and out of class.
- Students are expected to demonstrate maturity, self-discipline, and persistence necessary to handle the responsibility of taking college courses.
- Students should take responsibility for their own learning, behavior, and success.
- Students will be required to complete several projects that help apply classroom concepts to real-world situations.
- Students are expected to maintain at least a 2.5 grade point average, maintain good attendance, and appropriate behavior in high school and college courses. Students who fall below the minimum GPA requirement may be asked to leave the program.
- Students are expected to be familiar with the ECA Student & Parent Handbook and adhere to the policies therein.
- Students are expected to place at college level English by the completion of their sophomore year of high school.
- Students are expected to place at college level Mathematics by the completion of their junior year of high school.

Parent/Guardian Expectations
If your child is accepted into the ECA, you agree to accept and follow the expectations below:

- ECA is a four-year program and requires a long-term commitment from the student and parent.
- Parents will ensure that their student has good attendance, arrives to school on time, and makes a conscious effort to reduce vacations taken during the college semester.
- Parents will monitor their student’s academic progress on Blackboard and/or MyCecil.
- Parents will stay informed about ECA related activities and events by checking parent newsletters and reading information sent home with the student.
- Parents will attend any parent meetings and/or conferences arranged by ECA staff.
- Parents understand that their student may have two or more hours of homework at night.
- Parents understand that if their student does not maintain a minimum of a 2.5 grade point average, good attendance, and appropriate behavior in all high school and college courses, he or she may be asked to leave the program.
- Parents are expected to be familiar with the ECA Student & Parent Handbook and adhere to the policies therein.

I have read, understand, and agree to adhere to the expectations outlined above.

Student’s name (Please Print):

Student’s Signature: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

Parent’s /Guardian’s name (Please Print):

Parent’s /Guardian’s Signature: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________