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Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are pleased to inform you that your child has the opportunity to participate in a very special collaboration between his/her high school and Westchester Community College (WCC). The WCC Early College Experience Program or ECE enables motivated high school students to enroll in college level courses while still in high school and receive college credit from Westchester Community College.

The cost of the ECE course is only one-third of the college's regular per credit tuition charge; the total cost per credit for ECE courses is \$69 (for example: a 3-credit course costs \$207.00, a 4-credit course costs \$276). All WCC registration and/or student fees are waived. Tuition invoices are mailed directly to the student's home. Your child's registration and final grade will be recorded on an official WCC college transcript. These credits can be used toward a Westchester Community College degree or can be sent to another college or university for review for transfer (note: transfer policies differ from college to college and is dependent on the receiving college to accept, or deny, any credits earned through this program).

Students will be asked to log into our web portal to fill out the basic registration details. The instructions are outlined on our How to apply for an ECE course handout. The portal will then generate an email to the parent. When the parent receives the email, the parent is to authorize the registration. Because there is a tuition fee, we ask for parental permission to register for the course. We appreciate your time and help in completing this process in a timely fashion.

We congratulate your son or daughter for taking the challenge to complete college level work while in high school. If you have any questions about the ECE Program, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of HS Partnerships at <a href="https://hstate.org/hstate/hs

Sincerely,

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