

Grays Harbor College

RUNNING START CHECKLIST 2025



GET INFORMED

- Talk with your high school counselor, or
- Attend an information session at your school, or
- Attend an information session at GHC, or
- Go online to www.ghc.edu/runningstart
- More questions? Call 360.538.2526

COMPLETE ONLINE APPLICATION

- Go to www.ghc.edu and click the green “apply now” button in the top right corner – it’s free!

PLACEMENT

A student can use one or more of the following for placement:

- Accuplacer college placement testing administered by GHC. Two tests available: English/reading and math (multiple choice). Call 360-538-4049 for questions and to verify testing center hours. Study guides and math brush ups available.
- Smarter Balanced scores of Level 3 or 4 in ELA and math qualify a student for college placement.
- HS transcript showing a grade of “B” or better in Algebra II or Advanced Algebra.
- For CTE programs: meet entry requirements (may be different than for other academic courses).

HS COUNSELOR APPOINTMENT

- Complete the HS graduation requirement form.
- Determine how many classes to take at GHC based on HS enrollment.
- Mark the Free/Reduced lunch box on the verification form, if qualified.
- Please note: many students take a class at their high school to stay connected even when they are full time at the college. Clubs, athletics, and activities at the high school are encouraged.

RUNNING START ADVISING AND ENROLLMENT

- Email runningstart@ghc.edu to make an enrollment appointment.
- Bring the following to your appointment: high school graduation requirements, and verification form (plus fee waiver documentation if needed).

AFTER ENROLLMENT

- GHC student ID card (bring photo ID)
- Parking permit or bus pass (free!)
- Books (rent, borrow, or buy used to reduce costs)
- New Student Orientation
- Log on to my.ghc.edu to access your ctclick student portal, campus email, Canvas, and more!