



## Early College Experience

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### Student Survey – Spring 2014

**Thank you for your participation in this survey.** This information will help us to improve our program and to offer the best Early College Experience to high school students in Northwest Arkansas. The survey contains 9 questions and will take approximately 10 minutes to complete. Your responses are strictly confidential.

- 1. Thinking about the NWACC courses you took through Early College Experience, how would you rate your overall EXPERIENCE?** **405 RESPONSES**
  - 47% Excellent
  - 46% Good
  - 7% Fair
  - 1% Poor
  
- 2. As an Early College Experience student I feel that these classes have:** **405 RESPONSES**
  - 72% Been at just the right level of difficulty
  - 25% Been more difficult than I thought
  - 2% Lacked academic rigor
  
- 3. Being in the Early College Experience program has:** **405 RESPONSES**
  - 91% Had no effect on my decision to attend or not attend college after high school
  - 7% Made me consider attending college
  - 2% Turned me off to the idea of attending college
  
- 4. The most important feature of the Early College Experience program is:** **405 RESPONSES**
  - 77% The opportunities it gives high school students to earn college credit
  - 13% The low tuition it charges for college courses
  - 5% The confidence I have gained from doing college work
  - 5% All of the above
  
- 5. The atmosphere of my Early College classes was:** **405 RESPONSES**
  - 60% More serious than my other classes
  - 37% Just like my other high school classes
  - 3% Less serious than my other classes
  
- 6. My Early College Experience classes were:** **405 RESPONSES**
  - 70% More challenging than my high school classes
  - 27% Equally challenging as my high school classes
  - 3% Less challenging than my high school classes



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**7. Attending an NWACC Early College Experience class has:** **405 RESPONSES**

- 9% Made me consider attending NWACC
- 86%** Had no effect on my decision to attend a particular college
- 5% Turned me off to the idea of attending NWACC

**8. The Early College Experience program can be improved by:** **174 RESPONSES**

- Offering more classes
- Better interaction with the college
- Meeting with teachers more often
- Making the courses more college-like
- Providing more tutoring assistance
- Having better communication with NWACC

**9. Shared impressions of the overall value of ECE as a pre-college experience:** **379 RESPONSES**

- 56%** Early College Experience helped me prepare for college
- 32%** I earned college credit in high school
- 12%** Both

**Additional comments:**

- Great way to earn college credit and prepare for college, enjoying class with great teacher friends
- ECE has given me a great idea of how classes will be in college. I have earned a lot of college credit.
- ECE helped prepare me for college more than any other class I'm taking. Loved it!
- It helped me get a taste of what college will be like. I feel prepared for college now that I have taken these classes.
- ECE is a great way to earn college credit while still in high school and it was at a low tuition.