



# **BERRIEN COUNTY 5<sup>th</sup> Year Early/Middle College Student Application**

**An opportunity to begin a lifetime of success!**

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**2018-2019**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:  
FRIDAY JANUARY 19, 2018**

## **Family Interview Dates:**

**Tuesday February 20, 2018; 4:30 - 8:30 pm**

**Wednesday February 21, 2018; 4:30 - 8:30 pm**

**Thursday February 22, 2018; 4:30 - 8:30 pm (as  
needed)**

**\*Students will be notified by email of interview date/time on or before February 13, 2018**



## Thank you for your interest in the Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College program!

The Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College program is an effective & exciting way for students to earn either a career certificate or substantial college credit up to an Associate's Degree while still in high school. Through this innovative program, students will be able to save both time and money as they get a headstart on their postsecondary careers .

The E/MC is structured so that students gradually increase their exposure to college courses throughout this three year program. Students will apply for entry into the program during their 10<sup>th</sup> grade year. If a student is accepted into the program their individual Program of Study will determine their classes throughout their 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> years. This Program of Study will eventually result in students being part-time on the high school campus and part-time on the college campus until their 5<sup>th</sup> year. In their "5th year" of high school, they will be enrolled full-time in college and all of their coursework will be completed on-site at a Lake Michigan College or Southwestern Michigan College campus.

Students in the 5th Year Early/Middle College program will receive support services to assist them in their transition from high school to college. All Early/Middle College students are required to complete a **mandatory** Summer College Success Bootcamp between grades 10 and 11; this bootcamp will help to develop their academic preparation skills, study skills, and social maturity skills. Students will work closely with an Early/Middle College Mentor who will serve as a "success coach" as they progress through the program. In addition, students will continue to have access to their traditional high school support system, along with the student support services available through the college.

Students applying for admission to the Early/Middle College must be willing, motivated, and up for the challenge to perform successfully within this program.

We're excited to help you start your path to success! If you're interested in the Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College, please submit your completed program application no later than **Friday January 19, 2018** to your high school designated person listed on the following page.

Sincerely,  
Melissa Springsteen  
5th Year Early/Middle College Consultant  
Berrien RESA  
269-471-7725 ext 1304  
[melissa.springsteen@berrienresa.org](mailto:melissa.springsteen@berrienresa.org)

Berrien RESA, Lake Michigan College, and Southwestern Michigan College comply with all federal and state laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination and with all requirements and regulations of the United States Department of Education and the Michigan State Department of Education. It is the policy of the Berrien Regional Education Service Agency not to discriminate in its policies and practices with respect to compensation, terms, or conditions of employment because of an individual's race, color, religion, sex, national origin, height, weight, marital status, political belief, genetic information, disability, or handicap which does not impair an individual's ability to perform adequately in that individual's particular position or activity.

Any inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policy should be addressed to:  
Lynda Hurlow, Director of Human Resources, Berrien RESA, 711 St. Joseph Ave., Berrien Springs, MI 49103





Application Information

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY JANUARY 19, 2018. LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!**

Please return your completed application to the person listed below for your high school.

High School	Designated Person
Benton Harbor	Miriam Saleeby
Berrien Springs	Linda Bergan
Brandywine	Angela Roeder
Bridgman	Keri Haskins
Buchanan	Sonia Barlow
Coloma	Fran Megyese
Eau Claire	Jonathan Schultz
Lakeshore	Michael Clark
Niles	Carrie Rinehart
River Valley	Mary Casteel
St. Joseph	Tracy Wagner
Watervliet	Patty Stasiak

**\*IMPORTANT DATES\* If accepted into the program students will be required to attend all of the following:**  
**COHORT 3-CLASS OF 2021 STUDENT/PARENT ORIENTATION: Tuesday March 20, 2018; 6:00 pm**  
**COHORT 3-CLASS OF 2021 STUDENT MEETING: Wednesday April 11, 2018; 4:30 pm**  
**COHORT 3-CLASS OF 2021 COLLEGE SUCCESS BOOTCAMP: July 16 - July 20, 2018**





## Programs of Study

Students admitted to the Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College will be able to choose from the following programs of study. Please visit [www.berrienresa.org/emc](http://www.berrienresa.org/emc) to view the specific program of study.

### Lake Michigan College

- Associate of Arts
  - ◆ General Transfer degree
- Associate of Applied Science
  - ◆ Criminal Justice
  - ◆ Culinary
  - ◆ Engineering Technology
  - ◆ General Studies
  - ◆ Hospitality Management
  - ◆ Manufacturing/Machine Tool (available technical certificate)
  - ◆ Business
  - ◆ Computer Information Systems (available technical certificate)
    - Applications Development
    - Networking
  - ◆ Welding (available technical certificate)
- Career Certificate
  - ◆ Medical Assisting

### Southwestern Michigan College

- Associate of Applied Science/Transfer
  - ◆ Automotive Technology (available technical certificate)
  - ◆ Construction Trades Green Technology (available technical certificate)
  - ◆ Fire Science (available technical certificate)
  - ◆ Sports Management (available technical certificate)

\*Students who have earned at least 15 college credits and have completed 40 hours of a job internship or 100 hours of community service or a combination of both for a total of 70 hours are eligible for the Michigan Early Middle College Association (MEMCA) certificate (pending MDE approval)



## Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College Application 2018-2019

### Information and Checklist

### Student Application Rubric Explanation

To be eligible to apply to the Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College students must:

- Be in their 10th grade year of high school
- Be on track to graduate
- Have taken the Accuplacer Assessment in Reading, Writing and Math. Students should review the programs of study to find their interest and take the Accuplacer Assessment at the institution where the program is being offered.
  - **The following scores are guidelines.** Test scores are reviewed by the committee as one of the factors when determining college readiness. Test scores however are not the final determining factor whether a student is admitted to the program.

	Reading	Writing	Math
<b>Lake Michigan College</b>	Accuplacer 80	Writeplacer 6	Accuplacer Arithmetic-58; Elementary Algebra 71
<b>Southwestern Michigan College</b>	Accuplacer 78 or PSAT Math 510	Accuplacer Writing 78 or PSAT Read/Write 490	Accuplacer Algebra 77

- Completed and submitted all of the following Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College applications forms:
  - Application Form
  - Academic Progress Worksheet (pages 1 & 2) completed by high school counselor
  - High School Transcript (get copy from counselor)
  - Accuplacer test scores (attach a copy)
  - Two Recommendation Forms (Recommendation 1 & Recommendation 2)
    - One recommendation from a core teacher, one from another high school staff member (teacher, administrator, coach, etc.)
  - FERPA Form
  - Student/Parent/Guardian Contract
  - Application Essay

*The program is designed to serve students who might not otherwise pursue a college education due to one of a variety of reasons which may include: a family history of non-attendance, a lack of financial resources, a lack of parental or adult guidance, homelessness, or under-representation in the school setting.*

**The Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College Interview Panel will review application materials, interview candidates and their families, and make recommendations for students' participation in the program. The student's local school district pays the college tuition, fees and books, and makes the final decision as to which students are selected for participation.**

Berrien RESA, Lake Michigan College, and Southwestern Michigan College comply with all federal and state laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination and with all requirements and regulations of the United States Department of Education and the Michigan State Department of Education. It is the policy of the Berrien Regional Education Service Agency not to discriminate in its policies and practices with respect to compensation, terms, or conditions of employment because of an individual's race, color, religion, sex, national origin, height, weight, marital status, political brief, genetic information, disability, or handicap which does not impair an individual's ability to perform adequately in that individual's particular position or activity.

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## Application Checklist

Students applying to the Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College will submit this checklist along with all forms listed. All forms **MUST** be submitted in the order shown by **Friday January 19, 2018** to the high school designated person. Submit only these forms.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Student High School: \_\_\_\_\_

- Application Checklist
- Application Form
- Academic Progress Worksheet (pages 1 & 2) completed by high school counselor
- High School Transcript (get copy from counselor)
- Accuplacer test scores (attach a copy)
- Two Recommendation Forms (Recommendation 1 & Recommendation 2); Completed recommendation forms should be returned directly to your counselor BUT your are responsible for ensuring they are included with your application.
  - Recommendation 1 in sealed envelope
  - Recommendation 2 in sealed envelope
- FERPA Form
- Student/Parent/Guardian Contract
- Application Essay



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Application Form (To Be Completed by Student and Parent)

Student Application for the 2018-2019 School Year

Please Print Legibly

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First/Middle \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Student email \_\_\_\_\_

Student Cell Phone \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Student High School \_\_\_\_\_

What extracurricular or volunteer activities are you involved in? \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of Parent/Legal Guardian with whom the student resides: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ (street)

(city) \_\_\_\_\_ (state) \_\_\_\_\_ (Zip Code) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone-Mother/Guardian (home) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (work) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Phone-Father/Guardian (home) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (work) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian email address \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred time for family interview: \_\_\_\_\_ 4:30 - 6:30 pm \_\_\_\_\_ 6:30 - 8:30 pm \_\_\_\_\_ No Preference

Every effort will be made to accommodate time request but the 5th Year Early/Middle College Program cannot guarantee a time slot.

I understand that my participation in my child's education will help determine his/her likelihood of success in the program. Therefore, I agree to be accessible and readily available to the school to discuss my child's progress and development. I understand that acceptance into the Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College requires a commitment through the fifth year.

I also understand that attendance and full participation in all program activities is vital to my child's success. These activities will include the Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College Success Bootcamp and dual enrollment in either Lake Michigan College or Southwestern Michigan College. I also understand that acceptance into the program is a privilege and my child must adhere to the Campus Standards set by the College in order to remain enrolled. Failure to meet those standards may result in his/her dismissal from the Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College program.

By signing this form, I authorize Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College to access my child's EDP as well as other pertinent high school records.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_





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**Academic Progress Worksheet (Page 1 -Completed by Counselor)**

**\*NOTE TO COUNSELOR:** You may complete this worksheet or print the Powerschool "quick lookup" screen and attach. Please also include a copy of their High School transcript

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Counselor Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 High School \_\_\_\_\_

**High School Graduation Progress**

<i>Mathematics</i>	<i>Grade/Credits</i>		<i>Grade/Credits</i>
Algebra I		Geometry	
Algebra II		Final Year Math	

<i>English Language Arts</i>	<i>Grade/Credits</i>		<i>Grade/Credits</i>
ELA Grade 9		ELA Grade 11	
ELA Grade 10		ELA Grade 12	

<i>Science</i>	<i>Grade/Credits</i>		<i>Grade/Credits</i>
Biology		Additional Science Credit	
Physics or Chemistry			

<i>Social Studies</i>	<i>Grade/Credits</i>		<i>Grade/Credits</i>
.5 Credits in Civics		.5 Credits in Economics	
U.S. History and Geography		World History and Geography	

<i>Other</i>	<i>Grade/Credits</i>		<i>Grade/Credits</i>
Physical Education and Health- 1 credit		Visual, Performing and Applied Arts - 1 credit	
Online Learning Experience		Language other than English- 1 credit	

**Cumulative GPA** \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any additional classes this student has taken? \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Number of absences: \_\_\_\_\_ 9th Grade \_\_\_\_\_ 10th Grade

Based on my experience with the applicant, my overall recommendation for this student is as follows:

- Highest Recommendation                       Recommendation  
 Recommendation with reservations                       Do not recommend







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Academic Progress Worksheet (Page 2- Completed by Counselor)

TEST	Reading	Writing/Eng	Science	Math	Social Studies	Composite
PSAT						
Accuplacer <small>(Please attach copy)</small>						
SAT <small>(if applicable)</small>						
ACT <small>(if applicable)</small>						

In the box below, briefly describe your interactions with the student and how you think he/she will respond to a community college education environment. Please also describe any characteristics which set him/her apart from other high school students.

Please rate the student in terms of the following attributes:

	No Basis for Evaluation	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Exceptional
Academic capability to succeed in college level courses					
Levels of personal commitment to academic achievement, perseverance and effort					
Self-discipline & initiative, willing to take responsibility for one's own behavior/learning					



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To be completed by student:

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Counselor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Counselor email \_\_\_\_\_

School Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Recommendation is confidential and will not be shared with the student**

### Recommendation Form (Completed by Person Recommending Student)

#### Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College Recommendation Form-Recommendation 1

Thank you for taking the time for completing this recommendation for a prospective student at the Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College Program. Please put this form in a sealed envelope with your signature over the seal and return to the high school counselor. This form will not be shared with the student.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the student? \_\_\_\_\_

In what capacity?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



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Recommendation Form - Page 2

In the box below, briefly describe your interactions with the student and how you think he/she will respond to a community college education environment. Please describe any characteristics which set him/her apart from other high school students.

Please rate the student in terms of the following attributes:

	No Basis for Evaluation	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Exceptional
Academic capability to succeed in college level courses					
Levels of personal commitment to academic achievement, perseverance and effort					
Self-discipline & initiative, willing to take responsibility for one's own behavior/learning					

Based on my experience with the applicant, my overall recommendation for this student is as follows:

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Highest Recommendation           | <input type="checkbox"/> Recommendation   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recommendation with reservations | <input type="checkbox"/> Do not recommend |



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To be completed by student:

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Counselor Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Counselor email \_\_\_\_\_  
School Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Recommendation is confidential and will not be shared with the student**

### Recommendation Form (Completed by Person Recommending Student)

#### Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College Recommendation Form-Recommendation 2

Thank you for taking the time for completing this recommendation for a prospective student at the Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College Program. Please put this form in a sealed envelope with your signature over the seal and return to the high school counselor. This form will not be shared with the student.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the student? \_\_\_\_\_

In what capacity?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



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Recommendation Form - Page 2

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- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Highest Recommendation           | <input type="checkbox"/> Recommendation   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recommendation with reservations | <input type="checkbox"/> Do not recommend |



## Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College Application 2018-2019

### FERPA Form (To be Completed by Student and Parent)

#### Student Information Release Authorization

I (student name) \_\_\_\_\_, authorize Lake Michigan College and/or Southwestern Michigan College, Berrien RESA, and my high school to release information contained in my student record to the individual(s) or organization(s) listed below and only under the conditions stipulated.

1. Name of person or organization and address to whom disclosures can be made:

- \_\_\_\_\_ High School

(fill in name of your high school)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(high school address)

- 5th Year Early/Middle Consultant and/or its staff, Berrien RESA 711 St. Joseph Avenue, Berrien Springs, MI 49103
- Parent/guardian as listed on application (information to be released through program consultant not the college institution)

2. Type of information to be disclosed:

- All information which may include but is not limited to college records, schedules, progress reports, grades, attendance, faculty communications, transcripts, billing and academic plans.

3. The purpose for disclosure of this information is:

- To update high school as needed
- To allow for Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College staff to provide appropriate support services in a timely manner as well as overall program evaluation.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

#### Parent/Guardian Information and Release

I understand that my child intends to enroll in college courses. I understand that my student will be required to meet all attendance and classroom participation requirements expected of a college student. My student and I agree to become familiar with college policies concerning course withdrawal, tuition refunds, class attendance and campus standards of conduct outlined in the college handbook. I understand that information regarding my child's course progress, attendance, and final grade(s) will be shared with the principal or counselor of his or her high school upon the school's request or as needed, determined by the 5th Year EMC Consultant in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act Regulations (FERPA).

*This authorization ends upon your withdrawal or graduation from Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College program.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



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**Student/Parent/Guardian Contract (To Be Completed By Student & Parent/Guardian)**

**We, as participants in the Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College program, signify that we understand and agree to the terms and conditions listed below by initialing each statement and signing full name at the end of this contract.**

Terms and/or Conditions	Student Initials	Parent Initials
We understand that the Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College program is an early college program for eligible high school students.		
We understand that enrollment in the Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College program involves being enrolled in high school for a total of five years. We understand that Early/Middle College students can complete their high school diploma along with significant college credit (up to an Associate's Degree or Career Certificate). We understand that Early/Middle College students will not be eligible for high school graduation until completion of their 5th year.		
We understand that Early/Middle College students will take an approved math course for high school in their 5th year.		
We understand that acceptance into the Early/Middle College requires students to attend all five days of the College Success Bootcamp held in the summer between the 10th and 11th grade year.		
We understand that Early/Middle College students must attend and pass all required high school classes and all program approved college courses. We understand that college classes that are not passed at a 'C' or better will not be transferable to a four-year university.		
We understand that Early/Middle College students must meet college level math requirements and complete at least one college level math course by the end of the 5th year.		
We understand that Early/Middle College students are not eligible for graduation after their 12th grade year and must complete their last high school graduation requirement along with their last year math in the 5th year.		
We understand that the cost of college tuition, books, and required materials will be paid for by the student's individual school district. We understand that if the student does not successfully complete a course or does not receive college credit, the district may ask for reimbursement of all costs associated with course.		
We understand that all textbooks are property of the local high school and must be returned to the individual school district at the end of each semester. The school district may ask the student/parent to reimburse the school district any and all fee(s) associated with any textbook that is not returned, lost or damaged.		
We understand that Early/Middle College students are responsible to enroll and register in pre-approved college courses each semester that follow their program of study.		
We understand that some college courses will be offered on a traditional college campus with other students of varying ages and that are not a part of the Early/Middle College program. We understand that some of the college content within these courses may include content that is not typically taught at the high school level.		



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**Student/Parent/Guardian Contract (To Be Completed By Student & Parent/Guardian)-Page 2**

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Terms and/or Conditions	Student Initials	Parent Initials
We understand that Early/Middle College students will be considered enrollees of their high school district and that they are subject to laws, policies, and graduation requirements of individual school district until the completion of their 5th year.		
We understand that Early/Middle College students are subject to academic and disciplinary standards and policies established by the individual handbooks of their local school district, the Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College as well as the college.		
We understand that transportation to and from the college and other required program events will be the responsibility of the students and their parents/guardians.		
We understand that Early/Middle College students may be photographed and/or filmed for educational and/or marketing purposes while participating in the program. As a parent of an Early/Middle College I am giving permission for the use of any photo or video of my student for purposes as stated above.		
We understand that Early/Middle College students will be advised each semester for college class selection by the Early/Middle College Consultant, High School counselor and college advisor. As a parent of an Early/Middle College student I am giving permission for my student to be enrolled in these courses specific to their program of study without my written signature. We understand that students have access to view their schedule through the college student access portal at any time. Class changes can be made up until the first day the class meets at the beginning of each semester. Any changes made after this day will incur a fee which the Early/Middle College student/parent may be asked to reimburse to the local school district.		
We understand that Early/Middle College students that fail to comply with the Early/Middle College contract/Handbook may be dismissed from the program and that this dismissal may result in the student not graduating with either their 5th Year Early/Middle College cohort or their original high school graduating class.		

Signature of Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of Parent: \_\_\_\_\_







## Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College Application 2018-2019

### Application Essay (To Be Completed By Student)

#### Application Essay

As part of the application process, students must write and submit a one-page essay attached to their application:

Please address the following questions for our evaluation committee:

- Why do you feel the 5th Year Early/Middle College would be a good fit for you?
- How are you prepared for college-level work and expectations?
- How committed will you be to the 5th Year Early/Middle College Program?
- What challenges do you think you will face as a participant?

In addition to the specific questions above, this essay will be evaluated on:

- Overall quality of writing (organization, punctuation, language, style, grammar, spelling)
- Ability to answer questions clearly and concisely
- Your passion for entering both the 5th Year Early/Middle College and pursuing your career.



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To Be Completed By Interview Panel

**Family Interview**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian(s) interviewed:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (work) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Student</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4 (highest)</b>
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Goals and aspirations	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Quality of previous education experiences/ Lack of educational opportunities	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Understanding of program: Shows excitement, identifies any concerns, shows commitment to the program	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Perceived college readiness	_____	_____	_____	_____
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**Parents**

How do YOU plan to partner with the Berrien County 5th Year Early Middle College to aid in your student's Success?	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Why is Early/Middle College a good fit for your student?	_____	_____	_____	_____
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<b>Score</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____
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<b>Total Score</b>				_____
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Based on our review of the application and interview, our overall recommendation for this student is as follows:

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|--|------------------------|
| _____ Highest Recommendation           | _____ Recommendation   |
| _____ Recommendation with reservations | _____ Do not recommend |





## Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College Application 2018-2019

### Application Rubric

Criteria	<b>Not Acceptable</b> (0 points)	<b>Adequate</b> (1-6 points)	<b>Exemplary</b> (7-10 points)	Student's Score
<b>Application Essay</b>	Poorly written or submitted with significant errors	Cleanly written letter expressing interest in the program	Well written letter with passionate desire to attend and succeed	
<b>Recommendation Letters &amp; Forms</b>	Less than two letters rated "Recommendation with Reservation"	Two letters from appropriate source rated at least "Recommendation with Reservation"	Two letters from key individuals rated "Recommendation" or "Highest Recommendation"	
<b>Test Scores</b>	No qualifying test scores	Test scores meeting the minimum in any of the following: Reading, Writing or Arithmetic	Test scores meet the minimum in at least two of the following: Reading, Writing or Arithmetic	
<b>High School Graduation Progress</b>	Not on track for graduation, would be unable to meet MMC graduation requirements by the end of senior year	On track with EDP, would be able to complete MMC requirements by end of senior year	Ahead of track to meet MMC graduation requirements (10th grade Algebra II or beyond, three science courses will be completed by end of 10th grade, additional technology coursework, or have earned extra high school credits)	
<b>High School Attendance</b>	10 + absences 9th & 10th Grade	5-9 absences 9th & 10th Grade	4 or less absences 9th & 10th Grade	
<b>Family Interview</b>	A family interview is required in order to be eligible for acceptance into the Berrien County 5th Year Early/Middle College			



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Application Score Sheet

Score Sheet	Out of 10
Release of Authorization/Application Essay	____/10
Test Scores	____/10
High School Graduation Progress	____/10
Recommendations	____/10
Family/Student Interview	____/10
<b>Total Points</b>	____/50

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_