

ECHS

EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL



HEALTH SCIENCES PROGRAM



A HEAD START ON YOUR HEALTHCARE CAREER—FOR FREE!

The Early College High School (ECHS) Health Sciences Program gives students a tuition-free advantage by combining high school, college and hands-on experience in a structured pathway toward a healthcare career. Students can earn 37 free college credits starting in ninth grade while getting real-world exposure to the medical field.



"This program gave me a ton of credits, gave me a lot of experience and helped me navigate if this was a career for me... The credits that come with it [are] just so worth it..."

-Alissa Murdoch, Fulton Senior, ECHS Health Science Program

FOR STUDENTS

This program is designed for students who are interested in:

- A career in healthcare
- Graduating with a direct pathway to a high-demand healthcare career
- Reducing the time and cost of a college degree
- Learning from mentors, medical professionals and educators to prepare for success

FOR PARENTS

- \$0 tuition costs - your child saves thousands on college
- A structured career pathway in a stable, high-growth industry
- Early job placement with potential signing bonuses



GET STARTED TODAY

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What Journey is Best for You?

What if two paths brought you to the same place?

One saved you time and money while setting you up for a rewarding long-term career, while the other cost you a fortune without offering extra benefits.

Which path would you choose?

WHY THIS PROGRAM MATTERS

This program provides life-changing opportunities for students while strengthening the healthcare industry.

- Expands college access to students
- Boosts high school graduation and college success rates
- Creates a stronger, more diverse healthcare workforce
- Leads to stable, well-paying careers
- Excellent job shadowing opportunities



	Your Journey with ECHS	Your Journey with a 4-Year College
HIGH SCHOOL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Start earning college credits and discovering health careers in a hospital setting in 9th grade. • Earn up to 37 free college by high school graduation. • Get on-the-job experience in diverse health care setting throughout high school. • Save a full year of college expense. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Miss out on critical college courses that accelerate your path to a health care degree. • Have few opportunities for on-the-job experience in health careers.
COLLEGE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earn a Cayuga Health Sciences degree in 1 year instead of 2 years, then transfer for a bachelor's degree. • OR earn a Nursing degree in 2 years instead of 3 years, then start your career. • Nursing graduates can earn \$80,000 just 2 years out of high school & use employer benefits to earn their BSN. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enroll in a four-year program without first-hand experience in career options. • Pay-out-of-pocket for your education. • Spend 4 years of time & tuition while still trying to identify if that career pathway is right for you. • Wait 4 years before starting your career and earning a salary. • Graduate with the same degree as ECHS students, but pay for each credit.
CAREER ADVANCEMENT AND BENEFITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gain valuable professional experience with healthcare agencies while graduating early. • Graduate with early job placement opportunities. • Enjoy accessible pathways for continued education & training. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter the job market with less on-the-job experience. • Have fewer early job placement opportunities. • Face significant debt from paying 4 years' tuition.

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