

Matelyn Yarbrough
Jackson Preparatory and Early College
11th Grade

“Prepared to Succeed in Life”

Jackson Preparatory and Early College has allowed me to make great progression in my education. Upon completion of high school I will have my full associate’s degree art. This will allow me to transfer to a four-year institute with 60 credits towards my bachelor’s degree as a freshman, regarding this is if all credits transfer to intended institution. Not only are my academics being challenged and developed my soft skills have evolved while attending Jackson Preparatory and Early College as well. This charter school has benefitted my studies and myself immensely.

While attending Jackson Preparatory and Early College a student can receive an associate’s degree for free. The college classes can be used as an equivalent to high school classes, for certain classes, as well as college credit. Having this option has allowed me the ability to graduate at the age of 16. Having dual enrollment and classes that are instructed and ran like a college classes allows for a smooth transition into a four-year institute. This also allows for development of organization and study skills. I have taken classes that fulfill the Michigan Transfer Agreement therefore, my credits should transfer gracefully to my next institution. I am also taking classes to complete my associates on top of the Michigan Transfer Agreement. This is giving me a head start in my bachelors and into the assimilation between college and high school.

To graduate from Jackson Preparatory and Early College a student must complete 100 hours of job shadowing. This gives students a head start in understanding the work force and an understanding in potentially their area of study. After I graduate I am planning to attend Sienna Heights University for their Special Education: Cognitive Impairment program. For my job shadowing requirements I am job shadowing the school’s special education teachers. I work in the resource room with students with all variances of required help. This gives me an opportunity to learn how to work with students with special needs and how to react to certain situations. The requirement to have job shadowing hours has given me a chance to see what teaching in a resource room is like and to develop my skills before beginning my bachelors.

At Jackson Preparatory and Early College I have developed myself as a person. There is a very diverse student body attending this school. The diversity in the school allowed me to learn and begin to understand different cultures; cultures that I would need to be aware of and how to understand in an education career, and in a real-world setting. Organization, determination, discipline, and honesty are all enforced and developed while attending this school because of the college base schedules and relations with professors and high school teachers. The environment of Jackson Preparatory and Early College allows for positive development in academics and soft skills.

Jackson Preparatory and Early College is a wonderful experience for students. This charter allows for development in many areas. It gives opportunities to students that other schools do not. Jackson Preparatory and Early College is a great program and benefits students academically and personally.

Board Policies Client – Jackson Preparatory and Early College
Consulting Client – Jackson Preparatory and Early College

Epicenter Client – Jackson College