



Ascent program

To get started, follow the five simple steps below:

STEP 1: Meet the requirements

- Have 12 credit hours of college coursework completed by end of 12th grade
- Test at college level in Reading, English and Math by Submitting your ACT or SAT scores

ACT	ENGL	MATH	READ	SAT	VERB	MATH
	18	19-23	17		440	460

**If your scores are equal or higher to what is listed above, you are at college level. If your scores are lower you must complete the ACCUPLACER Assessment test.*

OR complete the free, walk-in **ACCUPLACER Assessment Test** at the college.

The ACCUPLACER measures your readiness for college level course work; it is not a test of whether or not you can attend Red Rocks, but a tool to help advisors place you in appropriate college courses.

More information and study guides can be found at: www.rccc.edu/assessment .

- Declare a degree major so that you are degree seeking
- Be selected by your high school principal for the ASCENT Program

STEP 2: upon approval from your high school Principal FILL OUT THE PAPERWORK

- Complete the **ASCENT Agreement and Registration Form**
- **Provide your SASID number- your high school counselor can provide you with this district ID number.**

STEP 3: FILL OUT THE APPLICATIONS:

- Complete the Red Rocks Community College Application for Admission
- Sign Up for the College Opportunity Fund
- Online applications are available online at: www.rccc.edu/onlineenroll/ (steps 1 & 2)

STEP 5: VISIT A RED ROCKS High School ADVISOR

- Contact the High School Relations Office to schedule an appointment for academic advising and registration. We look forward to meeting with you and are happy you have chosen Red Rocks Community College.

Important dates:

Summer and Fall Registration begins
First day of summer semester
First day of fall semester

April 4, 2011
June 1, 2011
August 22, 2011

High School Relations Office
(303) 914-6350 or visit www.rccc.edu/hs

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Is the ASCENT Program right for you? Here are some things to consider:

- The ASCENT Program is a 5th year of high school option. This means your high school diploma will be held back for an additional year in order to provide you with funding from the school district for the cost of tuition.
- Tuition will be paid by the high school district if you earn a C or better in your classes.
- The cost of books and supplies is your responsibility.
- The college courses you take must apply towards a degree or certificate.
- Developmental Math, English and Reading courses are not allowed.
- There is no limit in the number of credit hours you can take unless otherwise noted.
- In some cases financial aid packages can be more beneficial if you qualify. Some financial aid packages can cover tuition, fees, books and supplies depending on eligibility.
 - You are highly encouraged to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (fafsa) online to find out what types of grants, scholarships and loans you are eligible to receive.
 - You can visit www.rccc.edu/finaid/typesaid.htm to see what types of financial aid are available.
 - Register for Personal Identification Number (PIN) www.pin.ed.gov
 - Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at www.fafsa.ed.gov
 - If you would like assistance completing the FAFSA application you can schedule an appointment to meet with someone on the Red Rocks campus. To schedule an appointment you can call 303-914-6256.