5 RUNNING START IN EASY STEPS

1 MEET with a Running Start Advisor
Schedule an appointment with the Running Start Advisor at 360.752.8345, or email questions to rstart@btc.edu. Sign up for a Running Start Information Session at www.btc.edu/rsevents.

2 APPLY to Bellingham Technical College
Apply at www.btc.edu/applyonline and enter Running Start and your program of interest under “your intended major area of study.”

3 COMPLETE placement
through one of our multiple measures of assessment.

4 BRING your completed paperwork
to BTC’s Running Start Advisor in order to register for classes.

5 ATTEND New Student Orientation
At BTC, our Running Start team is here to assist you throughout your time at BTC and works closely with counselors at your high school. For more information, contact the Running Start Advisor at 360.752.8345 or email rstart@btc.edu.

Get started at BTC today!
Find more information: www.btc.edu/admissions
Print a checklist: www.btc.edu/admissionsteps

About BTC
Bellingham Technical College has been training students for in-demand, high-paying careers for more than 60 years. At BTC, the focus is always on our students and helping them succeed. We’re proud to have one of the highest graduation rates of all public two-year colleges in Washington state, as well as high job-placement rates and high wages for our graduates.

At our vibrant campus in the heart of Bellingham, we educate a diverse population of over 5,000 students in 39 associate degrees, 55 certificate programs and two bachelor of applied science degrees. At every step, you’ll know that BTC faculty and employees are here to support you in pursuit of your goals.

BTC Mission
Bellingham Technical College provides student-centered, high-quality professional technical education for today’s needs and tomorrow’s opportunities.

For more information about Running Start, contact the Running Start Advisor at 360.752.8345 or email rstart@btc.edu.

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Running Start is a statewide program that allows qualified high school juniors and seniors to receive college credit, tuition free. Students are enrolled simultaneously in high school and college classes (or just college classes) and can receive both high school and college credit for successfully completing eligible college classes. Students must submit required paperwork each quarter for program eligibility.

School districts pay for up to 15 credits per eligible quarter of college tuition for eligible classes, based on a student’s enrollment status. Low-income students may receive additional tuition support. Students and/or their families are responsible for the following costs:
- Running Start fee per credit
- Textbooks
- Class and program fees
- Class and program supplies
- Transportation
- Tuition for additional or ineligible credits

Financial assistance is available for students with demonstrated need. During intake, the Running Start Advisor helps students determine their assistance eligibility.

“BTC is an exceptional school and very friendly to Running Start students... I feel totally prepared to start my career, something high school could never prepare me for.”

Reilly Sutton
Running Start & Legal Administrative Assistant program student

“Ever since starting school at BTC, I’ve been surrounded by classmates that were here to learn and teachers that wanted to do anything they could to help us do that... The entire structure of my program and the college as a whole is built to launch its graduates on a trajectory that will place them in the jobs they want.”

Tate Garrett
Running Start & Process Technology graduate