

# ONRAMPS AND YOUR STUDENT

OnRamps works with school districts across Texas to provide high school students the opportunity to earn college credit, helping them save both time and money. To date, OnRamps has given over 130,000 students the tools for college success.



## DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES

OnRamps offers 16 dual enrollment courses in Science, Math, Technology, Art, English Language Arts (Rhetoric), and History. Students are enrolled in both a high school course and a college course, held on the high school campus, and have the potential to earn both high school and college credit. In each course your student will learn to communicate, work in teams, and manage their time.

**80,000+** In the 2020-2021 academic year, OnRamps awarded over 80,000 semester credit hours. 92% of eligible OnRamps students earned credit.

## HIGH-QUALITY TEACHING

OnRamps provides unique and dynamic professional learning and development to high school teachers to help them promote a classroom environment that aligns to the academic and social expectations of colleges and universities and engages students in a meaningful learning process.

High school teachers of an OnRamps course receive over 80 hours of training and year-round support their first year with OnRamps, followed by over 35 hours each subsequent year.

### + Access:

Students are not required to take a placement assessment (such as TSI) to qualify for enrollment.

### + Transferability:

Courses with a core curriculum designation are required by law to transfer to public colleges in Texas with a grade of C- or above.

### + Flexibility:

Students who earn college credit may choose to accept or decline the credit based on their college goals.

### + Preparation:

Students develop skills that prepare them for college and support their transition beyond high school.



“OnRamps has provided me with the needed skills for college and the expectations that teachers in college may have. This has made me more prepared for the future, and I’m very grateful for that.”

- Former OnRamps Student

## HOW ONRAMPS WORKS

### College Credit Eligibility

Students earn separate grades for the high school and college courses. To be eligible for the opportunity to earn college credit, students must meet minimum grade requirements on selected college assignments and assessments, or meet minimum scores on the TSI, TSIA 2.0, ACT, or SAT.

### College Credit Decision

Students who earn college credit may accept or decline the credit. Students who accept credit will have an official university transcript with the final college letter grade. The letter grade may factor into a student’s college GPA, depending on the college’s policies.\*

Students who decline credit will not have a university transcript. Declining credit has no impact on a student’s financial aid status.

### Course Cost

Houston ISD will cover the enrollment cost for all OnRamps students. Eligible students will engage in a distance college course at no cost, saving them an average of \$1,130 in tuition and textbook fees per course at a Texas public four-year higher education institution (per College for All Texans data).

## HOW TO ENROLL

### Student Eligibility

Students are welcome to register for an OnRamps course after they have finished, or are concurrently enrolled in, the required prerequisite high school courses. Check with your high school about the requirements for each OnRamps course. OnRamps students are not asked to complete any college applications or tests to enroll.

### Student Role

Students who take an OnRamps course must follow the same rules and regulations as university students and should be prepared to engage critically with rigorous, college-level content.

*\*Credit policies are unique to each higher education institution; research is recommended before making a credit decision.*