

EARLY BIRD ADMISSIONS

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Students who intend to take HCC courses on campus or online before turning 16 years old are considered Early Birds and must follow the following steps for admission. *This does not apply to high school students only taking courses through our early college partner high schools/career centers.**



Application

Complete the [Heartland Application](#).



Recommendation Forms

Have two (2) recommendation forms ([Early Bird Recommendation Form](#)) submitted by a coach, peer group leader, mentor, or teacher (not a family member) that address your maturity level and ability to succeed at HCC.



Academic Record

Email a current copy of your transcript (a list of courses taken and grades earned) from your school to records@heartland.edu.



College Placement Proof

- Review placement benchmarks. If applicable, submit your ACT/SAT/PSAT official score report with eligible college-level placement scores to testing@heartland.edu.
- If you do not have scores that meet the placement benchmarks, learn more about [placement requirements](#) and schedule placement testing, if needed for the coursework you are interested in taking. These placement test scores will be automatically loaded to your Heartland account, so you will not need to submit them.



Financial Responsibility Agreement

Complete the [Financial Responsibility Agreement](#). Note that after you submit the agreement, you also have to verify it with the email address you enter to fully complete it.



Once you have submitted all documentation, please call the Advisement office at 309-268-8033 to schedule an appointment with Ian Thurow, the Early Bird academic advisor.



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