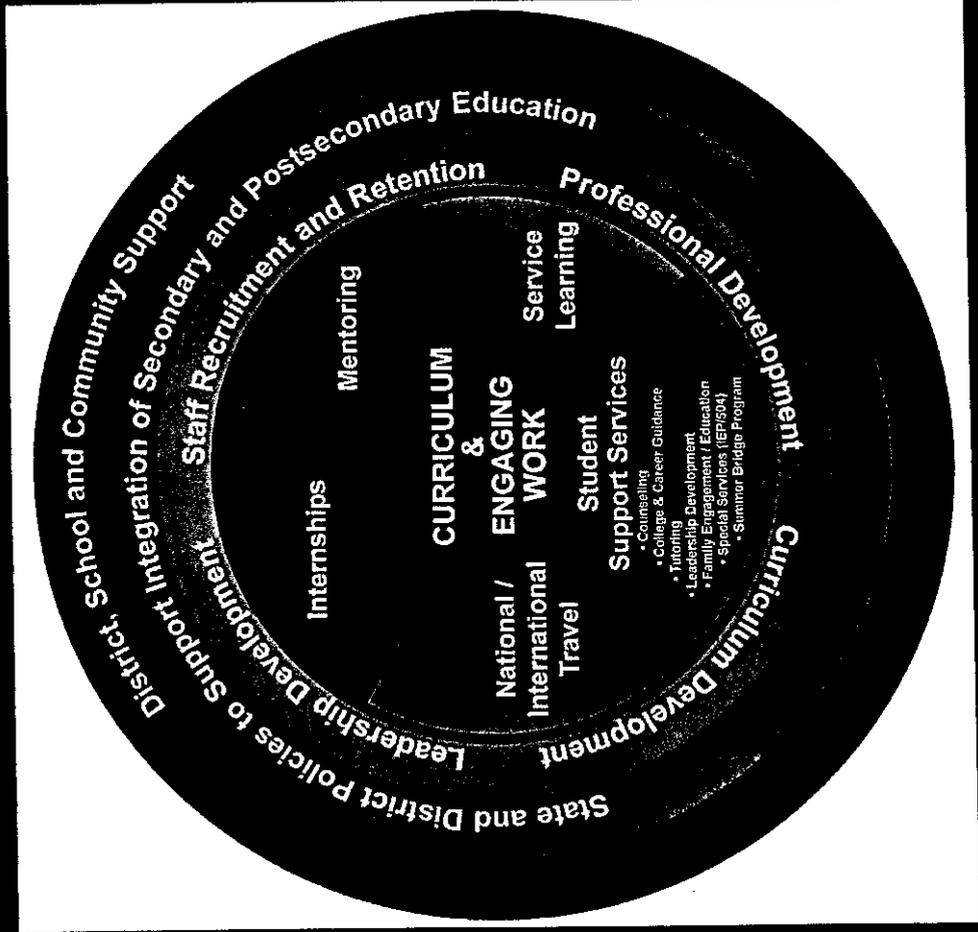


Horry County Early College Model



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Horry County Early College Demonstration School



Horry-Georgetown Technical College & Horry County Schools
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Early College High School

- Small, autonomous, personalized learning environments, with up to 400 students per school that blend high school and college into a coherent educational program.
- Designed so that all students can achieve two years of college credit at the same time as they are earning a high school diploma (within four to five years of entering 9th grade).



Early College is designed to

- encourage student groups who are underrepresented in post-secondary education – students of color, ELL learners, students from low-income families, first generation of family to attend college.
- serve under-achieving students in the middle quartiles on test performance.



Early College is designed to

- remove the barriers to post-secondary education by providing students with academic preparation to meet college readiness standards, extra help in the form of counseling, tutoring, mentoring, service learning, internship experiences, family engagement, and national and international travel.



Goals of Early College

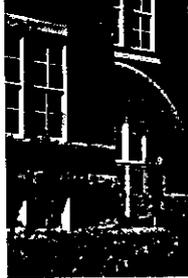
1. To improve high school graduation rates and better prepare students for family-supporting careers.



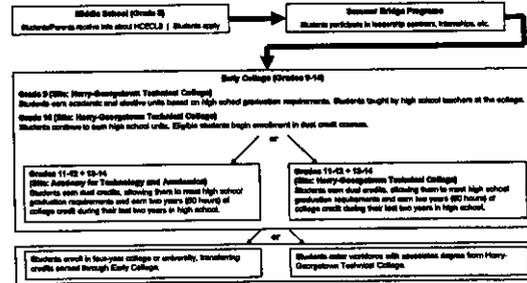
2. To make higher education more accessible, affordable, and attractive by bridging the divide between high school and college;
3. To provide needed guidance and support from adults through the first two years of college;



- Coastal Carolina University
- University of South Carolina
- Clemson University
- South Carolina State University
- Lander University
- Francis Marion University.



The HCECLS Structure



State Policies Key to Early College High Schools

- Dual Enrollment/Dual Credit
- Eligibility for College Courses
- Teacher Certification
- Funding Streams
- Autonomy to make curricular, structural, and personnel decisions to accelerate academic advancement

Early College is...

A way to integrate levels of schooling to better serve the intellectual needs of young people.



A personalized environment where rigorous work is demanded and supported.