Buncombe County Middle College serves 11th and 12th grade students who could benefit from a different learning environment. Students’ reasons for coming to Middle College are as diverse as the students themselves. All of our students need and appreciate a small, personalized learning environment.

Our location on A-B Tech’s campus allows us to offer unique course options and to cultivate a culture that promotes career readiness and post-secondary education. One of our primary goals is to help students bridge the divide between high school and their post-graduation lives. With that in mind, we offer three personalized pathway options for Middle College students:

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| Students in this pathway intend to graduate from high school early. Prior to transferring to Middle College they have completed their elective concentration and have only a few core academic courses remaining. Following high school, student plans may include entering the workforce, enlisting in the military, or taking a gap year. | There are two options for students in this pathway  
**Option 1:** Students in this pathway intend to earn transferable college credits as both dual enrollment and elective college and high school credits. Student plans following high school may include continuing education at a two year or four year college or university following high school.  
**Option 2:** Students in this pathway complete an Associate Degree at A-B Tech while earning a high school diploma, or pursue other A-B Tech programs, such as the RIBN program or Trailblazer Program. Following high school, student plans may include entering the workforce with an Associate Degree or continuing college at a four year college or university.  
To complete all program requirements, students enter Middle College in 11th grade and commit to a 13th grade. | Students in this pathway intend to earn a credential or certificate that would increase their employability for a specific career field by taking elective career-technical courses at A-B Tech.  
Students will develop a specific career goal, and we will identify the applied science course sequence to best support the student to reach this goal.  
Students will require a more flexible schedule and would have the option to complete their program in 4 or 5 years. Depending upon the program course load, it may be necessary for students to commit to a 13th grade to complete all required courses.  
Students may also have the opportunity to participate in on-site internships and job shadowing experiences to link their learning with job opportunities. |