

### **DUAL ENROLLMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Benefits of taking dual-enrollment college courses include: exploring careers and a wide range of fields of study earlier in life, potentially earning transferable college credits, and potentially saving money on an Associates or Bachelors degree.

The purpose of the Dual Enrollment Partnership with California Community Colleges is to:

- Expand student access to affordable higher education; this allow graduates to potentially begin their careers sooner, while potentially saving students money in the long run
- Afford current high school students the opportunity to enroll in dual-credit courses for enrichment and to potentially fulfill high school graduation requirements and credits that may be applied toward college graduation requirements
- Provide challenging academic and occupational experiences to qualified high school students while potentially reducing the costs of a college education for students and their families.

Successful completion of transfer courses will enable students to simultaneously earn college credit that is potentially transferable to two and four-year colleges and universities, while also satisfying high school graduation requirements. Successful completion of occupational courses will allow students to earn college credits, to potentially satisfy high school graduation requirements, and to assist in the transition to college and/or or job opportunities or careers.

# HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE CREDITS ISSUED FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES

The student has the choice as to whether or not the college course is added onto the high school transcript for potential high school credit. For college applications, in addition to reporting their high school (and possibly middle school) A-G courses, it is advisable that the student lists their attendance at a community college, along with the early college credit course(s) and grade(s) that were earned for potential college credits. The student will also need to send a high school AND a college transcript to the universities that are being applied to. Each university will calculate the student's college-weighted grade point average according to its eligibility index.

#### **CREDITS:**

When considering taking college courses for high school credits, students should refer to the university or college they are applying to regarding what their admissions office advises.

- 3 college units= 10 high school credits
- College courses are not counted for weighted honors points in the calculation of the high school cumulative grade point average.



# **DUAL ENROLLMENT OPPORTUNITIES (cont.)**

Information on AB288.

# A. Dual Enrollment College Courses Available for High School Credits:

In order to earn dual credits to fulfill high school graduation requirements, the curriculum of the college courses must align with the curriculum of the high school course. The student must have prior approval from their high school counselor/administrator with the appropriate paperwork that includes the following:

- 1. High School Special Admit Form from the community college that the high school student is attending
- 2. Complete enrollment steps as required by the community college

Once the final grade for the college course has been posted, if the student would like the grade posted on their high school transcript, the final transcript from the community college must be submitted by the student to the high school counselor of record.

**Steps to Register for SCC**: <a href="https://sccollege.edu/StudentServices/Admissions/Pages/High-School-Student.aspx">https://sccollege.edu/StudentServices/Admissions/Pages/High-School-Student.aspx</a>

**Fees:** Students in the 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grades who are concurrently enrolled in high school are exempt from enrollment fees but are obligated to pay health, transportation, student and material fees (Section 76001-Education Code)

How to drop a class at SCC: https://sccollege.edu/StudentServices/Admissions/Pages/Drop-Course-Policy.aspx

## B. Dual Enrollment College Courses not Available for High School Credits

If a high school student is interested in being dually enrolled at both a high school and a community college, the student must complete the enrollment process as required by the community college. Students have the option to enroll in college courses that will not be added to their high school transcripts for graduation or A-G completion purposes. It is important that when the students enroll in college courses, the students keep in mind that these courses will be part of their permanent adult college records and may be independent from high school graduation requirements.

### **ARTICULATED COURSES**

Certain OUSD high school courses are articulated with California Community Colleges. What this means is that upon the completion of articulated high school courses, if students earn a B or higher in the articulated course(s), they can take their articulation letters issued from the Orange County Department of Education (OCDE) to their colleges for potentially transferable college credit.