



Dual & Concurrent Enrollment Information Schools & LEAs

In April 2015, the Board of Education adopted statewide dual enrollment regulations that:

- Ensure students receive both high school and college credit
- Provide all qualified students access, through dual enrollment, to the entire course catalog offered by URI, RIC and CCRI
- Create a clear process for high schools to expand concurrent enrollment courses
- Establish clear criteria that allows teachers, district leaders and parents to see if a student is ready to take college level coursework while in high school
- Remove barriers to participation for low-income students

Coordinating Responsibilities

It is recommended each school or LEA designate staff to be the main the point of contact for:

- Assisting students with dual and concurrent registration
- Confirming enrollments with the institution
- Advising students on courses that match their interests and meet their graduation requirements
- Communicating the available opportunities, benefits and risks to students and families
- Ensuring final grades are coordinated with each institution
- Identifying and assisting qualified high school instructors to teach concurrent enrollment courses

What Do You Need to Know About Dual and Concurrent Enrollment?

Allows high school students to take college courses to simultaneously earn credit at both the secondary school and the higher education institution.

- Concurrent enrollment are college courses that are approved by the postsecondary institution to be taught at the high school, by the high school teacher
- Dual enrollment courses are part of the institution's regular schedule and are taught by a college professor on the college campus

The concurrent enrollment course catalog found on the RIDE website outlines which courses can be taught at your school(s) with the approval of the institution. Contact the coordinator at URI, RIC, or CCRI for questions about instructor qualifications and the approval process.

For dual enrollment, students have access to any course offered by the institution if they meet the eligibility criteria and course pre-requisites. Schools or districts may choose to support students' transportation for dual enrollment.

Funding and Costs

Governor Raimondo's 2016-17 Prepare RI Dual Enrollment Fund, if approved by the General Assembly, will provide funding for all qualified students to participate in concurrent and dual enrollment courses with URI, RIC and CCRI as part of their high school requirements at NO COST to students and families. The cost of books and associated course materials is the responsibility of the school or district.

What are the Potential Benefits for Your Students?

- ⇒ Decreases the time and expense of obtaining a college degree
- ⇒ Research shows students who take college classes while still in high school are:
 - Less likely to be placed in remedial college coursework
 - More likely to enroll and stay in college
 - Are more likely to complete college on time

What are the Potential Risks for Your Students?

Students receive an official college transcript upon completion of the course. That means if they drop the course after the deadline or receive a failing grade, it may impact their financial aid and/or GPA during college in the future.

College course-taking comes with college level responsibilities. It is very important that each student understands:

- The benefits as well as the risks of taking dual or concurrent enrollment
- Each course requirement and specific attendance and grading policies
- The drop deadline and policy at the institution offering the course they are taking

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Student Eligibility Criteria		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GPA of 3.0 • Junior or Senior level status • Exceptions to the above must have the recommendation of school counselor, administrator or teacher 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GPA of 3.0 • Junior or Senior level status • Exceptions to the above must have the recommendation of school counselor, administrator or teacher 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior or senior status and guidance counselor recommendation depending on the program • Exceptions to grade level must have the approval of the school counselor and/or school administrator and the CCRI department chairperson for the course(s). • Accuplacer assessment standards vary by course and are specified in the catalog for concurrent enrollment • Check the RIDE website for more details
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