

## Dual Credit

The Bon Homme #04-2 School Board believes that the educational program should be suited to the needs of each individual. To this end, on a selected basis, a pupil may receive dual credit enabling him/her to receive simultaneous high school and college credits.

Receiving simultaneous high school and college credit is an excellent opportunity for high school students planning to pursue post secondary education.

The Board recognizes that there may be some high school students who exhibit exceptional academic progress and who are capable of performing college-level work while enrolled in high school. In order to encourage these students to their fullest capabilities, assistance will be given to these students to enroll in advanced courses.

Advanced placement courses may be offered by the district provided a sufficient number of students request a particular course and qualify for it, and that a staff member qualified to teach it is available.

If a particular course is not offered by the district, a qualified high school student may enroll in a college-level course offered by an approved nearby college, university, or career/technical education institution and may be released from high school attendance for such hours as are required for the college course(s). If the student wishes to receive high school credit for the course, he may request permission from his principal, who will recommend to the Superintendent that the course apply to high school graduation requirements.

Dual credit can be afforded at Bon Homme High School under the following conditions:

1. Any student in grades nine, ten, eleven, or twelve may apply to an institution of higher education or a postsecondary technical institute as a special student in a course or courses offered at the institution of higher education or postsecondary technical institute. The student shall obtain the school district's approval of the postsecondary course or courses prior to enrolling. If approved, the student shall receive full credit toward high school graduation as well as postsecondary credit for each postsecondary course. The school district or the state may pay all or part of the tuition and fees for a course approved for credit toward high school graduation in accordance with this section. The student is responsible for any tuition and fees not paid by the school district or the state and for any other costs involved with attending a postsecondary institution.

If a failing final course grade is received in a postsecondary course under this section, the student receiving the failure is no longer eligible to enroll for postsecondary courses under this section absent a showing of good cause.

2. A general conference including student, parent/guardian, counselor, teacher(s), and building principal is mandatory. The participants in the general conference will recommend approval or disapproval of the dual credit request. In the case of an approved request, they will also determine which course(s) will receive dual credit.
3. The student or parent/guardian may request to reverse this decision process at any time prior to the third week of the class. This request will be submitted in writing to the building principal.
4. The student may enroll in only two college level dual credit courses each semester.
5. Each approved dual credit college class must be equivalent to at least a 3-hour or 4-hour semester credit level course.
6. The dual credit course(s) must meet the approval of the college institution involved and Bon Homme School District #04-2.
7. A student who is dual enrolled in Bon Homme High School and a college course(s) may still maintain his/her class load requirement. The dual credit course may be included in the minimum number of courses required each semester at Bon Homme High School.
  - a. A student enrolled in dual credit course(s) may be excluded from the class load requirement upon mutual agreement of the student, parent/guardian, counselor, and building principal. This

decision must be in writing prior to beginning dual credit enrollment, with a copy distributed to all individuals and an additional copy to be placed in the student's file.

- b. A student enrolled in a dual credit course(s) may request that the dual credit course(s) be included or excluded from his/her honor points used in determining honor roll, grade point average, or class rank at Bon Homme High School. This must be upon mutual agreement of the student, parent/guardian, counselor, and building principal. This decision must be in writing prior to beginning dual credit enrollment, with a copy distributed to all individuals and an additional copy to be placed in the student's file.
8. The student will be classified as a full-time student at Bon Homme High School and must adhere to all the rules, regulations, and policies of Bon Homme School District #04-2.
9. Graduation requirement and course load requirements will not be waived for dual credit students.
10. Fees and costs associated with dual credit course(s) are the responsibility of the student and family (guardian).

Legal References: SDCL 13-28-37; 13-33-29

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