

# ADDITIONAL OPTIONS TO RECEIVE HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE CREDIT

## Advanced Placement (AP)

- AP (Advanced Placement) is a program of classes developed by the college board to give high school students an introduction to college-level classes and also gain college credit before even graduating high school. These courses are more difficult than the usual high school class and also require passing an AP exam at the end of the year to gain college credit. AP exams are tests on everything you've learned in your AP class that year. They're scored on a scale from 1 to 5 with any score above 3 considered passing, though some colleges will only accept 4's and 5's for credit.

## Articulated Credit

- Articulated credit courses provide a way for students to start a college-level technical program in high school and continue their educational pathway. The high school CTE credit has been pre-approved by partnering colleges and may be applied toward the student's college transcript. The student must successfully pass the high school CTE class to be eligible for articulated credit at the college.

## College Level Examination Program (CLEP)

- The College-Level Examination Program® (CLEP) gives examinees the opportunity to receive college credit for what they already know by earning university-designated minimum scores on any of 34 exams. This program is offered at official CLEP test centers and not Duluth Public Schools.

## Minnesota Bilingual Seals Program

- Minnesota school districts may award Minnesota bilingual and multilingual seals to **high school students upon graduation** who have demonstrated the required levels of language proficiency. American Sign Language (ASL), Indigenous American Indian languages, Spanish, German and many other languages other than English are included. Proficiency assessments including reading, writing, and speaking components, based on the ACTFL proficiency guidelines, are included. Credit may be granted at Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MNSCU) Schools based on performance.

## Postsecondary Enrollment Options (PSEO)

- PSEO is a dual credit program that allows 11th- and 12th-grade students in Duluth Public Schools to earn high school and college credit tuition free, through enrollment in and successful completion of college courses taught by college instructors, by enrolling either part-time or full-time. 10<sup>th</sup> graders are also eligible to enroll in one career technical education (CTE) course during the first semester of PSEO enrollment with a proficient score on the 8<sup>th</sup> grade MCA reading test.
- These courses are generally offered on the campus of the Minnesota postsecondary institution; some online.
- Each participating college or university sets its own admission requirements for enrollment. Courses may be taken full time or part time.
- Students must inform the district by May 30 of each year of intent to enroll.
- No charge for tuition, books or fees, funds available for transportation.
- Information can be obtained at: [Postsecondary Enrollment Options \(PSEO\) \(mn.gov\)](https://www.mn.gov/postsecondary-enrollment-options)

## College In The Schools (CITS) (Concurrent Enrollment)

- College in the Schools (CITS) is a concurrent enrollment ('dual credit' or 'dual enrollment') program that allows students to earn both college and high school credit in courses for students in 11th and 12th grades and earn college and high school credits for free. These courses are taught by high school teachers at the rigor of college level and have admission requirements.