

La Porte ISD

Dual Credit Handbook

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What is Dual Credit?

Dual credit is a system in which an eligible high school student successfully completes a college course(s) that is paired to a high school course and receives credit for the course on both the college and high school transcripts. La Porte ISD partners with San Jacinto Community College to offer the following dual credit options: the Accelerated College Education (ACE) Program, on-campus dual enrollment courses, and the Career and Technical Education (CTE) Maritime Program. La Porte ISD funds the cost for dual credit tuition and textbooks.

ACE

The ACE program was designed to allow students to graduate high school with an Associate Degree from San Jacinto College (SJC). Students will take courses at SJC (Central Campus) as well as classes at the high school campus. The district will provide transportation between the two campuses; however, students do have the option of driving or having their own transportation.

On-Campus Dual Enrollment

On-campus dual enrollment (DE) classes are offered to students during their Junior and Senior years in partnership with SJC. These classes are offered at the high school campus. Transportation to/from SJC may be available upon request. DE courses are offered in pairs. Students are enrolled in two DE courses during both the Fall and Spring semesters.

CTE Maritime

Currently, La Porte Independent School District offers a dual credit CTE program in Maritime Science. The dual credit Maritime Science courses are taught at the SJC Maritime Technology and Training Center located in La Porte. Transportation to/from SJC may be available upon request.

Eligibility

ACE/On-Campus DE/CTE Maritime

Below are the steps to follow for enrolling in Dual Credit:

STEP 1: Meet with LPHS counselor

STEP 2: Meet college readiness standards through 1, or a combination of 3, of the following ways:

STAAR EOC: 4000 or above on the English 2 **AND** Algebra I exams (& complete Algebra II with a grade of C or better)

PSAT: 460 or above on the Evidence-Based Reading and Writing (EBRW) section **AND** 510 or above on the Math section

SAT: EBRW 480 or above **AND** 530 or above on the Math section

ACT: Administered prior to February 15, 2023: composite score of 23 with a minimum of 19 on the English test shall be exempt for both the reading and writing sections of the TSI Assessment, and/or 19 on the mathematics test shall be exempt for the mathematics section of the TSI Assessment.

Administered after February 15, 2023: a combined score of 40 on the English and Reading (E+R) tests shall be exempt for both reading and writing or ELAR sections of the TSI Assessment. A score of 22 on the mathematics test shall be exempt for the mathematics section of the TSI Assessment. There is no composite score.

TSIA2: 945 or above on the English section with a 5 or higher on the Essay or 910 or above on English with a diagnostic score of 5 or higher and an essay score 5 or higher **AND** 950 or above on the Math section or 910 or higher with a diagnostic score of 6 and above. **See Counseling Center prior to completing the exam.**

*Students may be exempt from TSIA2 based on prior high school testing. See LPHS Counseling Center for guidance.

STEP 3: Apply to SJC via www.applytexas.org

STEP 4: Submit the DE/Early Admissions Enrollment Permission Form

*All dual credit students must complete all SJC required trainings.

**Students taking a class on-site at SJC will be required to submit meningitis shot records.

ACE Only

- Students must be enrolled at LPHS at the beginning of their 10th grade year to be eligible for ACE.
- Students must be in attendance 95% of the school days in the current year to be eligible to apply for ACE.
- Students must not have any severe disciplinary infractions and no DAEP placements in the current school year.
- Students must have completed Algebra 2 or Algebra 2 Pre-AP by end of their sophomore year with a recommended grade of 80% or higher.
- It is recommended that students be enrolled in at least 2 Prep-AP, Honors, or AP courses during their 10th grade year and have grades of 80% or higher in all core courses.

Maintaining Dual Credit Eligibility

Attendance

Students are expected to attend and participate in every session of all classes for which they are registered. Students are expected to comply with the [San Jacinto Community College Student Attendance Policy](#) and consult with their instructors when it becomes necessary to be absent a class. Dual credit students are excused from class for EOC and SAT testing at the high school. The college will be notified, in advance, of student absences due to high school EOC and SAT testing.

Grading

Students are required to earn a grade of C or better in all dual credit classes for which they are registered.

Students should be aware that the grading scales for LPHS and SJC are different. In order to receive high school credit for a college course a student must receive a numerical grade of 70 or better. If a student receives a numerical grade less than a 70, the student will **not receive high school credit**. However, if a student receives a grade of 60 or higher, they will receive college credit at SJC but will not receive high school credit.

Students' grades will be posted at mid-term and end of semester in the LPHS Home Access portal. Students are highly encouraged to confirm college course final grade in both the SJC SOS account and the Home Access portal. Grade discrepancies should be reported immediately to the respective college professor.

Discipline

Students are expected to follow both SJC and La Porte High School (LPHS) student codes of conduct.

Consequences

Students who do not meet the minimum C grade requirement may be subject to removal from the dual credit program by the high school. Students are subject to academic consequences according to [San Jacinto College Student Grading Policy](#).

Students who do not attend class regularly may be subject to removal of a course, by the college professor, with a grade of FX (Failure, Excessive Absences). Students who are removed from a class by the college professor, or initiate a course drop themselves, are subject to removal from the dual credit program.

Students who are removed from a course, the dual credit program, or initiate a course drop, will be required to reimburse the district for tuition and textbooks prior to graduation. Students who must retake a college course will be responsible for tuition of the respective course.

Infractions of the SJC and/or LPHS student code of conduct may result in removal from the dual credit program.

Course Options

ACE

SJC Course	HS	HS Course	Credit
English Language Arts			
ENGL 1301 – Composition I	H01491	ENGL 1301 ACE PEIMS – 03220400 English 4 A	.5
ENGL 1302 – Composition II	H01492	ENGL 1302 ACE PEIMS – 03220400 English 4 B	.5
ENGL 2322 – British Literature I	H11491	ENGL 2322 ACE PEIMS – 03221800 Ind Studies English I	.5
ENGL 2327 – American Literature I	H11492	ENGL 2327 ACE PEIMS – 03221810 Ind Studies English II	.5
HUMA 1301 – Introduction to Humanities	H08495	HUMA 1301 ACE PEIMS – 03221600 Humanities (First Time)	.5
Mathematics			
MATH 1314 – College Algebra	H02592	MATH 1314 ACE PEIMS – 03102500 Ind Studies Math I	1.0
MATH 2412 – Pre-Calculus	H02491	MATH 2412 ACE PEIMS – 03101100 Precalculus	1.0
MATH 2413 – Calculus	H02493	MATH 2413 ACE PEIMS – 03102501 Ind Studies Math II	1.0
MATH 1324 – Math for Business	H12893	MATH 1324 ACE PEIMS – 13016900 Statistics and Business Decision Making	1.0
MATH 1325 – Calculus for Business	H12894	MATH 1325 ACE PEIMS – 03102501 Ind Studies Math II	1.0
MATH 1350 – Fundamentals of Math for Teachers	H12892	MATH 1350 ACE PEIMS – IHE11100 Mathematics IHE Endorsed	1.0
MATH 1342 – Elementary Statistics	H02991	MATH 1342 ACE PEIMS – 03102530 Statistics	1.0
Science			
BIOL 1306 or 1308 – Biology for Science Majors or Non-Science Majors	H03191	BIOL 1306/1308 ACE PEIMS 03060300 Specialized Topics in Science I	1.0
BIOL 1307 or 1309 – Biology for Science Majors or Non-Science Majors	H03192	BIOL 1307/1309 ACE PEIMS 03060310 Specialized Topics in Science II	1.0
BIOL 2301 – Anatomy & Physiology I	H03591	BIOL 2301/2101 ACE PEIMS 13020600 Anatomy & Physiology	1.0
BIOL 2302 – Anatomy & Physiology II	H13951	BIOL 2302/2102 ACE PEIMS 13037200 Scientific Research and Design I	1.0
CHEM 1311 – General Chemistry I	H03292	CHEM 1311/1111 ACE PEIMS 0306310 Specialized Topics in Science III	1.0
CHEM 1312 – General Chemistry II	H03293	CHEM 1312/1112 ACE PEIMS 13037210 Scientific Research and Design II	
GEOL 1303 – Physical Geology	H03993	GEOL 1303/1103 ACE PEIMS 03060300 Specialized Topics in Science I	1.0
GEOL 1304 – Historical Geology	H03994	GEOL 1304/1104 ACE PEIMS 03060310 Specialized Topics in Science II	1.0
PHYS 1301 – College Physics I	H03492	PHYS 1301/1101 ACE PEIMS 03050000 Physics	1.0

PHYS 1302 – College Physics II	H03493	PHYS 1302/1102 ACE PEIMS 13037200 Scientific Research and Design I	1.0
PHYS 2325 – University Physics I	H03499	PHYS 2325/2125 ACE PEIMS 13037210 Scientific Research and Design II	1.0
PHYS 2326 – University Physics II	H03498	PHYS 2326/2126 ACE PEIMS 13037220 Scientific Research and Design III	1.0
Social Studies			
ECON 2301 – Principles of Macroeconomics	H04492	ECON 2301 ACE PEIMS 03310300 Economics	.5
GOVT 2305 – Federal Government	H04491	GOVT 2305 ACE PEIMS 03330100 United States Government	.5
GOVT 2306 – Texas Government	H14491	GOVT 2306 ACE PEIMS 13018200 Principles of Government and Public Administration	.5
HIST 1301 – United States History I	H04391	HIST 1301 ACE PEIMS 03340100 United States History	.5
HIST 1302 – United States History II	H04392	HIST 1302 ACE PEIMS 03340100 United States History	.5
EDUC 1100/PSYC 1100 – Learning Framework	H04991	EDUC 1100/PSYC 1100 ACE PEIMS 03380021 Social Studies Advanced I	.5
PSYC 2301 – General Psychology	H04993	PSYC 2301 ACE PEIMS 03350100 Psychology	.5
SOCI 2301 – Introduction to Sociology	H04992	SOCI 1301 ACE PEIMS 03370100 Sociology	.5
Foreign Languages			
SPAN 1411 – Beginning Spanish I	H06191	SPAN 1411 ACE PEIMS 03440300 Spanish III	1.0
SPAN 1412 – Beginning Spanish II	H06192	SPAN 1412 ACE PEIMS 03440400 Spanish IV	1.0
FREN 1411 – Beginning French I	H06291	FREN 1411 ACE PEIMS 03410300 French III	1.0
FREN 1412 – Beginning French II	H06292	FREN 1412 ACE PEIMS 03410400 French IV	1.0
Fine Arts			
ARTS 1301 – Art Appreciation	H05591	ARTS 1301 ACE PEIMS 03500110	1.0
ARTS 1304 – Art History I	H05592	ARTS 1304 ACE PEIMS 03501230 Art and Media Communications II	1.0
DRAM 2366 – Film Appreciation	H05493	DRAM 2366 ACE PEIMS 03251300 Theatre I	1.0
Business			
ACCT 2301 – Principles of Financial Acct.	H09991	ACCT 2301 ACE PEIMS 13016600 Accounting 1	1.0
ACCT 2302 – Principles of Managerial Acct	H09992	ACCT 2302 ACE PEIMS 13016700	1.0
BCIS 1305 – Business Computer Apps	H09993	BCIS 1305 ACE PEIMS 13011400 Business Information Mgmt	1.0
Speech			
SPCH 1315 – Public Speaking	H08492	SPCH 1315 ACE PEIMS 03240900 Public Speaking	.5
SPCH 1318 – Interpersonal Communication	H08493	SPCH 1318 ACE PEIMS 03420900 Public Speaking	.5

On-Campus Dual Enrollment

Year	Fall		Spring	
Junior	U.S. History HIST 1301 DE H04381	Texas Government GOVT 2306 DE H04481	U.S. History HIST 1302 DE H04382	Humanities HUMA 1301 H08485
Senior	Composition I/ Eng. 4 A ENGL 1301 DE H01481	U.S. Government GOVT 2305 DE H04481	Composition I/ Eng. 4 B ENGL 1301 DE H01482	Economics ECON 2301 DE H04482

CTE Maritime

SJC Course	Academy	HS	HS Course
Summer prior to start of Junior Year of HS			
NAUT 1471 – Intro to Shipping	A19481	H19481	PEIMS – N1304661 - Principles of Maritime Science
Fall Junior Year of HS			
NAUT 1372 – Seamanship 1	A19482	H19482	PEIMS – N1304662 - Maritime Science I
NAUT 1374 – Safety and Survival	A19487	H19487	PEIMS – N1303680 - Occupational Safety and Environmental Tech 1
Spring Junior Year of HS			
NAUT 1276 – Seamanship 2	A19483	H19483	PEIMS – N1304663 - Maritime Science II
NAUT 1274 – Cargo Op 2	A19484	H19484	PEIMS – 13040450 - Practicum in Transportation Systems (First Time Taken) 1 of 2
Fall Senior Year of HS			
NAUT 2471 – TCN	A19485	H19485	PEIMS – 13040450 - Practicum in Transportation Systems (First Time Taken) 2 of 2
BCIS 1305 – Business Computer Information Systems	A02992	H02992	H02992 PEIMS – 13011400 - Business Information Management 1
Spring Senior Year of HS			
NAUT 1273 – Engineering Fam	A19486	H19486	PEIMS – N1304666 - Intro to Shipboard Engineering
NAUT 2272 – Radar OU	A19488	H19488	PEIMS – N1304667 - Advanced Shipboard Engineering

Frequently Asked Questions

Can I change my college schedule after the first day of class? No. SJC and LPHS follow differing schedule change procedures.

What should I do if I am going to be absent? Students should notify the professor of their absence in advance and make arrangements with the professor in regard to missed work. Students must also submit their absence note to the high school attendance office. School-related absences are not automatically considered “excused” in dual credit classes.

Will ACE or CTE Maritime students have to attend summer school? Yes. Students will need to attend face-to-face college courses in the Summer.

How do I manage dual credit and extra-curricular activities? Students will be responsible for maintaining communication with the respective parties (including any school related absences), and balancing their workload/time, to be successful in both their dual credit and extra-curricular endeavors.

Do I need counselor approval to initiate a course drop? Yes. Students should consult with their counselor and obtain approval prior to dropping a course.

Do I need to return books to the high school? Yes. Books are paid for by LPISD and must be returned to the high school at the completion of every semester. If a student fails to return books at the end of the semester, the cost of the books will be charged to the student’s high school account.

Am I able to choose my professor? SJC attempts to cohort dual credit students from all surrounding districts into the same sections. This means students are not able to select specific instructors, the college will select for you.

Does San Jacinto College follow the same calendar as La Porte High School? No. There are times when LPHS has a student holiday, but SJC still has classes. In this case, high school students are expected to attend their SJC classes even if LPISD classes are not in session. For example, SJC classes usually meet the Monday and Tuesday of Thanksgiving week.

Will San Jacinto College professors and/or advisors speak with me in regard to my child’s progress or grades? Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) ensures the privacy of student educational records, regardless of age. SJC officials cannot share certain information with parents or other individuals. However, the SJC dual credit office may release student educational records to the student’s high school.

La Porte ISD Dual Credit Handbook Acknowledgement Form

Student and parent/guardian signatures indicate acknowledgement and agreement to the dual credit program terms provided and an understanding of the following:

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- Students must not have any severe disciplinary infractions and no DAEP placements in the current school year.
- Students are expected to attend and participate in every session of all classes for which they are registered.
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- The materials available in the San Jacinto College Library and those used in the college classrooms are designed for mature learners. Access to the internet is provided by SJC and filtering described in the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) is not required by colleges. LPISD and parents/guardians should work together to provide safe and secure use of the internet.

Student Name (Printed)

Parent/Guardian Name (Printed)

Student Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date