

## Dual Enrollment Course Directory

### What courses are available?

- Approved courses include:
  - Core academic areas (English, math, science, social studies and world (foreign) languages)
  - Career, Technical and Agricultural Education (CTAE) courses
  - The Course Directory lists all eligible courses by participating postsecondary institutions. Eligible courses per category are determined by the first two digits of high school course number.
  - Course categories such as: fine arts, physical education and health are no longer eligible.

## Funding Cap Eligibility

### What are the limits on the state-funded Dual Enrollment funding Program?

- The Dual Enrollment Funding Cap is 30 semester or 45 quarter hours. This is a hard cap. The hours are based on hours paid by Dual Enrollment funding for terms of enrollment in the program.
- All first-time students effective Summer term 2020 and beyond are subject to the Dual Enrollment Funding Cap.
- Students who received Dual Enrollment funding for 18 semester or 27 quarter or less hours, through Spring term 2020, are subject to the Funding Cap. For Summer Term 2020 and later, these students may receive funding for the remaining hours up to the Dual Enrollment Funding Cap of 30 semester or 45 quarter hours.

#### Examples:

- A student who received Dual Enrollment funding for 15 semester hours through Spring term 2020, may receive Dual Enrollment funding for 15 semester hours, Summer term 2020 and after.
- A student who has received Dual Enrollment funding for 24 quarter hours through Spring term 2020, may receive Dual Enrollment funding for 21 quarter hours, Summer term 2020 and after.
- Students who received Dual Enrollment funding for 19 semester or 29 quarter or more hours through Spring term 2020, Funding Cap is extended for an additional 12 semester hours or 18 quarter hours of funding.

#### Examples:

- A student who received Dual Enrollment funding for 19 semester hours through Spring term 2020, may receive Dual Enrollment funding for 12 semester hours.
- A student who received Dual Enrollment funding for 29 quarter hours through Spring term 2020, may receive Dual Enrollment funding for 18 quarter hours.

## Grade Level Eligibility

### Who is eligible to participate in the Dual Enrollment funding Program?

#### 9<sup>th</sup> Graders

- Students in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade are not eligible to participate in the Dual Enrollment funding Program.

#### 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Graders

- Eligible students may take any approved Dual Enrollment courses listed on the Course Directory, at an eligible participating postsecondary institution (USG, TCSG or private).

## 10<sup>th</sup> Graders

- All eligible 10<sup>th</sup> Graders may enroll in approved Career, Technical and Agricultural Education (CTAE) courses listed on the Course Directory at a participating TCSG institution only.
- 10<sup>th</sup> Graders who have a minimum SAT score of 1200 or minimum ACT composite score of 26 in a single national test administration, may enroll in any approved courses listed on the Course Directory at a TCSG, USG or private eligible participating postsecondary institution.

Note: GSFC must have the required test score(s) in the Dual Enrollment system prior to the student's Dual Enrollment funding Application being approved by the high school or home study.

- Students that were 9<sup>th</sup> graders during the 2019-2020 school year and participated in Dual Enrollment during the 2019-2020 (received funding for FY 2020) year may enroll as 10<sup>th</sup> graders in any approved Dual Enrollment courses listed on the Course Directory at any eligible participating postsecondary institution (USG, TCSG or private) for the 2020-2021 year.

## High School Graduation Option B (SB2) Students

### How is a student identified as pursuing High School Graduation Option B (SB2)?

- Students must be designated by their public high school as pursuing High School Graduation Option B (SB2).
- All new public high school students, designated by their high school, as pursuing High School Graduation Option B (SB2) starting Summer term 2020 or after are subject to the Funding Cap.
- Public high school students, designated by their high school, pursuing High School Graduation Option B (SB2) as of Spring term 2020, and received Dual Enrollment funding as an Option B (SB2) student, may enroll in any approved Dual Enrollment courses at a TCSG, USG or private eligible participating postsecondary institution for their High School Graduation Option B program. They are not subject to the Funding Cap.

## Dual Enrollment funding Application

### How does a student apply to participate in Dual Enrollment?

- The new annual online application is available on GAfutures and may be completed by high school and home study students who are enrolled and physically attending a participating eligible public or private high school in Georgia or an eligible participating home study program in Georgia.
- The student must first create a GAfutures account profile that includes the student's correct information (legal name, email address, home address, social security number and date of birth). If the student does not have a valid social security number, when creating a GAfutures account profile, they will be assigned a GAfutures temporary ID.
- Upon selecting the Dual Enrollment funding application for the 2020 – 2021 school year, the student's GAfutures account profile will prepopulate the funding application. The school year includes Summer term 2020, Fall term 2020, Fall 1 term 2020, Winter term 2021 and Spring term 2021.
- Within the application the student must provide a parent/guardian's email address for the parent/guardian to electronically complete and sign the Dual Enrollment Participation Agreement for their student.
- The student will receive an application ID upon submission of the application and should provide the application ID to the parent/guardian.
- The parent/guardian will receive an email with instructions to complete and sign the Dual Enrollment Participation Agreement. The parent/guardian will be prompted to provide the student's date of birth and the application ID (as provided and emailed to the student) or student's social security number and date of birth. The parent/guardian may visit [GAfutures.org\DE Parent Agreement](http://GAfutures.org\DE Parent Agreement) to access the paper agreement.
- The high school/home study and postsecondary institution must approve the student's online application prior to the term and by the deadlines set by the school and college or last day of the term at the latest.

## Dual Enrollment funding

### What are the Dual Enrollment Award amounts?

- The specific Dual Enrollment award amount will vary based on the postsecondary institution and the number of credit hours in which a student is enrolled in approved Dual Enrollment courses.
- The approved award rates to be paid for Tuition, Mandatory Fees, and Book costs are annually published and subject to change each year.
- Dual Enrollment funding is available for the per term maximum of 15 semester or 12 quarter hours and a maximum of three semesters or four quarters per school year based on approved enrollment with a completed Dual Enrollment funding application as long as the student meets all eligibility requirements.
- Dual Enrollment funding is available up to the student's high school graduation or home study completion date or the 30 semester or 45 quarter hours Funding Cap, whichever occurs first.

### Can a student retake or withdraw from a Dual Enrollment course?

- Effective Summer term 2020 (FY2021), a student may not receive funding for the same course twice. Courses taken Summer term 2020 or later cannot be retaken and receive funding; does not include courses taken through Spring term 2020.
- Effective Summer term 2020 (FY2021), students become ineligible to continue to receive Dual Enrollment funding after their 2<sup>nd</sup> course withdrawal. Course withdrawals prior to Summer term 2020 are not included.

### Is there consideration for extenuating circumstances with withdrawals or retaking a course?

- A student who withdrew from or wishes to retake/repeat a Dual Enrollment course may submit a written Extenuating Circumstance Appeal Request with supporting documentation. The Appeal Request form will be made available on GAfutures in May 2020. (Consideration given only for courses taken Summer term 2020 or later.)
- The student must have experienced an extenuating circumstance of serious illness, serious injury or a death of an immediate family member.
- Appeals do not allow for additional hours of Dual Enrollment program funding eligibility. The appeal solely allows for continued participation in the Dual Enrollment program, up to the 30 semester or 45 quarter hours program Funding Cap.

### What options are available after a student reaches the state-funded Dual Enrollment Funding Cap of 30 semester or 45 quarter hours?

- Students may choose to self-pay for additional credit hours/courses.

- Students who have reached the Dual Enrollment Funding Cap may be eligible for HOPE Grant and HOPE Career Grant Programs as a “bridge” to additional funding. Students pursuing a technical diploma or certificate program of study in one of the 17 high-demand industry areas of the HOPE Career Grant may be eligible for HOPE Grant Bridge funding. The eligible Postsecondary Institution determines eligibility for HOPE Grant and HOPE Career Grant. The student must meet all eligibility requirements of the HOPE Grant Program, including residency, citizenship, and all academic requirements. Students may be responsible for any charges not covered by the HOPE Grant and Career Grant funding such as fees and books. The course credit hours paid by HOPE Grant funding will be applied to the 63 semester Paid-Hours limit and the Combined Paid-Hours HOPE and Zell Miller Scholarship and Grant Limit.
- Public high school students pursuing a high school diploma through High School Graduation Option B (SB2) may use HOPE Grant as a “bridge” to additional funds after they have reached the Dual Enrollment Funding Cap. Students’ certificate or diploma program of study may qualify for HOPE Career Grant as well. The eligible Postsecondary Institution determines eligibility for HOPE Grant and HOPE Career Grant. The student must meet all eligibility requirements of HOPE Grant Program, including residency, citizenship, and all academic requirements. Students may be responsible for any charges not covered by the HOPE Grant funding such as fees and books. The course credit hours paid by HOPE Grant funding will be applied to the 63 semester Paid-Hours limit and the Combined Paid-Hours HOPE and Zell Miller Scholarship and Grant Limit.

**Be advised:**

- *No exceptions are allowed for the approved courses, grade level, Funding Cap or High School Graduation Option B status eligibility requirements effective 2020-2021 (beginning Summer term 2020).*
- *Additional program rules will continue to be made available as the program is implemented and the Dual Enrollment application system is completed.*