

Information and Updates for Georgia Families

### 2025 Information for Families

# What is Dual Enrollment?

**Dual Enrollment Defined:** 

The purpose of the Dual Enrollment program is to promote and increase access to postsecondary educational opportunities for Georgia high school students. Students take college coursework while still enrolled in high school and those credits go on both a college transcript and a high school transcript.

In Georgia, we have two Dual Enrollment programs available:

<u>Traditional Dual</u> <u>Enrollment</u> – this program is designed for the student who is planning to attend a fouryear college after high school and will graduate by meeting all the typical high school graduation requirements in Georgia.

Accelerated Career <u>Diploma</u> – this program is designed for the student who is planning to attend a technical college or go straight into the workforce after graduating. These students take fewer high school courses but also earn credentials at a technical college to meet graduation requirements.



### Eligiblity

# Who is Eligible for Dual Enrollment?

All Georgia High School students are eligible for Dual Enrollment if they meet the following criteria:

Student is in 10<sup>th</sup> grade or higher\*

Student attends a participating high school (public and private schools may participate). Homeschool students are also eligible.

Student is admitted to a participating post-secondary institution.

\*\*\* 10<sup>th</sup> graders may take any CTAE course through Dual Enrollment. Only 10<sup>th</sup> graders with a qualifying SAT or ACT score (Zell Miller Scholarship level) are eligible to take Academic Dual Enrollment courses (English, Mathematics, Social Studies, Science and World Languages).

# I am interested in Dual Enrollment – how do I begin?

If Dual Enrollment seems like a good fit, how do you get started?

Step 1 – attend a parent night or information session at your student's high school (typically, high schools offer these in late fall and January). They will share your school's processes and timelines there.

Step 2 – Create a GaFutures account (if you do not already have one).

Step 3 – Set up an appointment with your high school counselor or Dual Enrollment coordinator.

Step 4 – Apply to the college where you want to enroll as a Dual Enrollment student.

Step 5 – Complete the Dual Enrollment Funding application on GaFutures.org.

Step 6 – Parents need to complete their portion of the Funding Application.

Step 7 – Your high school counselor will meet with you to discuss what courses you will take through Dual Enrollment.

Step 8 – Meet with your assigned Dual Enrollment College Advisory and possibly attend a student orientation session at the college.

Step 9 – Once you have identified and registered for your college courses, you may meet again with your high school counselor to ensure that those courses are appropriate and will forward your progress toward high school graduation. High school graduation is the most important thing to accomplish.

## What courses are available through Dual Enrollment?

With the passage of HB444 in 2020, the Georgia Legislature modified the college courses that Georgia's Dual Enrollment will fund. This list is true for both Traditional Dual Enrollment and Accelerated Career Diploma students. Students may take college classes in the following areas:

- Academic courses (English, Mathematics, Social Sciences, Science and World Language)
- CTAE courses (e.g., Healthcare, Automotives, Welding, HVAC, Computer Science, Cybersecurity, etc.)

## What kind of funding does Georgia's Dual Enrollment Program provide?

Georgia's Dual Enrollment program provides funding for all eligible Georgia high school students.

#### **30 Semester Hours**

#### 45 Quarter Hours

Students participating in the Accelerated Career Diploma Program will use funds through the ACE Grant program, which may provide additional hours of funding based on the program of study/credential that the student is pursuing.

Students may also access HOPE Grant funds to pay for Dual Enrollment CTAE courses. If they use HOPE Grant monies in high school, those hours are subtracted from the total HOPE allotment that students may receive over their lifetime.

## **Helpful Dual Enrollment Resources**

# Helpful links and resources:

Dual Enrollment Application and Funding Information

GaFutures Dual Enrollment information

Video Tutorial on the Application Process

https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=-UoBFlfsNSU&feature=youtu.be

#### **Funding Information**

GaFutures Dual Enrollment Funding

University System of Georgia Dual Enrollment information

http://www.usg.edu/dual\_enroll ment Technical College System of Georgia Dual Enrollment information

https://doublethecredit.org/

Georgia Independent Colleges Association

https://georgiacolleges.org/page /dualenrollment2

Georgia Student Finance Commission: gafutures

https://www.gafutures.org



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## Where Can Georgia Students Access Dual Enrollment Courses?

Eligible students can take Dual Enrollment classes at any participating post-secondary institution in Georgia. This includes:

- All 26 colleges in the University System of Georgia
- All 22 colleges in the Technical College System of Georgia
- Most of the Independent colleges in Georgia
- High schools offering on-campus TCSG/USG DE courses (Student acceptance to the TCSG/USG institution still required).
- Dual Enrollment funding is NOT available for out of state colleges, technical colleges or other post-secondary institutions