

Postsecondary Enrollment Options



PSEO



- Allows high school students to enroll in college courses
- Operates entirely within the college system
- Students must apply for admission
- Students must follow campus policies
- Communication is managed independently
 - families and schools are not updated

Who Can Participate



- Students in 11th and 12th grade must meet entrance requirements
- Students in 10th grade have specific eligibility criteria and course limitations
 - Passing score on 8th grade MCA reading
 - Enroll in one CTE course
 - Click [here](#) for more information

Eligible Students



- Take college courses at no cost
- Earn both high school and college credit
- Take one or multiple PSEO courses
- Stay enrolled in high school classes and activities while earning college credit
- Access support service for disabilities, if needed

Eligible Institutions



The student is responsible for researching and applying to each [eligible institution](#).

- Must be located in Minnesota and approved by MDE:
 - Community Colleges and/or Technical Colleges
 - Public Universities
 - Private Colleges
 - Opportunities Industrialization Centers

Eligible Courses



- No central database or list of PSEO courses
 - institution sets its own offerings and schedule
- Must be nonsectarian courses
- Cannot be developmental or remedial
- Taught at the college or online

Points to Consider



- High school graduation requirements
 - Courses deemed *equivalent* in credit and content
 - Credit - 4 college credits equals 1 high school credit (4:1 ratio)
 - Content - Composition meets Language Arts requirement
- Grades and credit are recorded on both the high school and college transcript
- Academic readiness
- College readiness

Potential Risks



- **Permanent academic record**
 - Grades earned appear on official college and high school transcript
 - Grades may affect GPA, class rank, college admission and scholarship eligibility
- **Delayed graduation**
 - Failing or withdrawing from a required course
- **College expectations**
 - Instructors apply same standards to all students
- **Scheduling conflicts**
- **Reduced high school involvement**

Nuts and Bolts



- You must notify your high school counselor of intent to enroll in PSEO by May 30
- Differing school calendars
- Course scheduling
 - semesters vs trimesters
- Academic supports
- Transportation/Parking

Final Thoughts



- Acceptance does not imply a commitment to participate in PSEO
- WBLAHS offers college-level courses
- Postsecondary institutions determine admissions requirements and application deadlines
- PSEO is not available in the summer

Application Process



1. Research postsecondary institutions
2. Complete and return the required contract
3. Complete the institution's PSEO application
 - a. high school transcript
 - b. Notice of Student Registration form
4. Double check that all supporting documents, if required, are included with the application

The student is solely responsible for ensuring the application is complete and on-time.

After Applying



- Check your email
- If required, complete the new student orientation
- Register for courses
 - college will help student register
- Give high school counselor a copy of PSEO schedule in order to adjust high school schedule