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Boiling Springs High School Dual Enrollment Fact Sheet

What is Dual Enrollment?

Dual Enrollment (DE) is an opportunity for students to begin taking college courses at a two-or four-year college or university while remaining a student at Boiling Springs High School. DE students earn college credit, high school credit, or a combination of both. DE Programs give students the opportunity to get a head start on their college degree, exposes them to the rigors of college courses, and saves them a substantial amount of money on their higher education. However, it is important for students and families to have a full understanding of Dual Enrollment opportunities before beginning a program:

- DE courses are college courses taught by college professors.
- DE courses are NOT taken at Boiling Springs High School.
- DE students are responsible for their own transportation.
- DE courses follow the college's academic schedule (semester courses).
- DE courses may require placement testing by the post-secondary institution. Additionally, some DE courses require pre-requisite course work to be completed prior to taking a particular class.
- DE courses are real college courses for real college credit. Final grades and credits earned will go on a student's official transcript from the post-secondary institution.
- DE courses could potentially interfere with a student's regular high school coursework and/or extracurricular activities. Schedule and prioritize course selections wisely.
- Not all dual enrollment courses count for credit toward the student's high school diploma or substitute for a high school course requirement; Students must follow the BSHS DE approval process.

Dual Enrollment Eligibility:

- Must be a junior or senior to participate, starting with the summer after sophomore year.
- Must be making satisfactory progress toward fulfilling applicable BSHS graduation requirements.
- Must demonstrate the ability to handle the rigor of college courses.

Dual Enrollment Cost:

- Tuition costs vary among college/universities. Students/Guardians are responsible for paying ALL costs associated with the course of study. Most colleges offer discounted tuition costs for DE courses.
- Please refer to the college website regarding dual enrollment for cost per credit. Reach out to your high school counselor with questions.

Dual Enrollment Credits & GPA:

- Students can potentially earn 3 college credits per DE course and a maximum of 1 high school credit per course.
- **DE course grades are not included in a student's BSHS GPA, but final grades will appear on the BSHS transcript.**
- Not all DE credits are transferrable. Students must check with their prospective post-secondary colleges to see if they will accept the DE credits obtained. It is recommended that students thoroughly research college websites, meet with college representatives, and go on college visits to acquire this information.
- DE students are responsible for sending an official college transcript to their School Counselor at the conclusion of the college semester, but no later than **June 1** of that school year.

Dual Enrollment Application Procedures

- Each post-secondary school has their own application and course registration process and procedures. Students are responsible for all steps of this process, which would include the college application, BSHS transcript request, course registration and payment. Some schools require a qualifying PSAT or SAT score and/or additional placement testing.

Dual Enrollment Course Selection and Approval Request Process

- Students must prioritize course selections meant to fulfill BSHS graduation requirements.
- Students must obtain a "BSHS Dual Enrollment Approval Form" and schedule a meeting with their School Counselor before submitting the formal request.
- Students should submit their completed "BSHS Dual Enrollment Approval Form" to their School Counselor. The School Counselor will give this form to Dr. Hain, Principal, for approval. Dual enrollment approval form is due by **June 1** for fall enrollment and **November 1** for spring enrollment of the year prior to the beginning of the program.
- If the DE course request is being made for advancement purposes, additional approval is needed from that content-area Supervisor.
- Student will be informed of their approval decision via BS student email address. If approved, student will work with the DE College or University to complete the application and registration process, while maintaining communication with their High School Counselor.
- Courses taken without prior approval will not be added to the student transcript and will not be counted towards graduation nor as a course prerequisite.