

**REVISED POLICY - VOL. 28, NO. 2**

**COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY PROGRAMS**

The Board recognizes the value to students and to the School Corporation for students to participate in programs offered by accredited colleges and universities in Indiana.

The Board ~~will allow students in grades 11 and 12~~ may allow students who meet the criteria to enroll in approved postsecondary programs while in attendance in the Corporation. ~~Students will be eligible to receive dual credit or be provided dual enrollment programs that meet the educational objectives of the School Corporation and are offered by State educational institutions as defined in I.C. 20-12-0.5-1.~~

~~No student may participate, however, without the written consent of the high school principal or if such participation would delay his/her graduation from high school.~~

Definitions:

"Dual credit course" means a course taught by a high school faculty member, a college faculty member, or a college adjunct faculty member that a high school student may take to earn both high school and college credits. Dual credit courses may include any of the following:

- A. A concurrent enrollment college course that is taught:
  1. in a high school classroom;
  2. by a regular high school faculty member who is approved by an eligible institution; and
  3. to high school students who earn high school credit for the course and may also earn college credit through an agreement between an eligible institution and a school corporation under I.C. 21-43-4-3.5.

- B. An on-campus course, that:
1. is taught:
    - a. on the campus of an eligible institution;
    - b. by a faculty member of the eligible institution; and
    - c. as a regular course offering to postsecondary students attending the eligible institution in which a high school student enrolls and attends; and
  2. is approved by the high school that the high school student attends for secondary credit requirements.
- C. A college course, that is taught:
1. in a high school classroom;
  2. by a faculty member of an eligible institution; and
  3. to high school students who may earn both secondary and postsecondary credits.
- D. An online college course, that:
1. is taught:
    - a. by a faculty member of an eligible institution; and
    - b. as a regular course offering to postsecondary students attending the eligible institution in which a high school student enrolls and attends; and
  2. is approved by the high school that the high school student attends for secondary credit requirements.

"Early college" means an academic program consisting of a series of dual credit courses or concurrent enrollment courses, or both, which allow high school students to earn both a high school diploma and:

- A. an associate degree that has been approved by the commission for higher education; or
- B. up to two (2) years of academic credit toward a baccalaureate degree.

"Eligible institution: means an accredited public or private:

- A. college; or
- B. university;

located in Indiana that grants a baccalaureate or an associate degree and offers postsecondary enrollment opportunities.

"Postsecondary credit" means credit toward:

- A. an associate degree;
- B. a baccalaureate degree; or
- C. a career and technical education certification;

that is granted by an eligible institution upon the successful completion of a course taken in a high school setting under a postsecondary enrollment opportunity.

"Postsecondary enrollment opportunity" refers to programs established under I.C. 21-43-4, including dual credit courses, concurrent enrollment courses, and early college programs.

"Program" means a postsecondary enrollment program authorized by the Board in which an eligible student participates.

"Secondary credit" means credit toward graduation requirements granted by the Corporation upon the successful completion of a course taken under the program.

Postsecondary Enrollment Opportunities:

The Board authorizes the Superintendent to collaborate with eligible institutions to offer the following postsecondary enrollment programs:

- early college programs
- college courses taught by faculty members of eligible institutions
- concurrent enrollment college courses

that meet the educational objectives of the Corporation and are offered by eligible institutions in secondary school locations.

Students enrolled in such programs will be eligible to receive secondary credit in addition to any postsecondary credit earned for the successful completion of the course. All instructors shall meet the requirements established by State law and the Higher Learning Commission for teaching a course for which graduation credit is awarded.

A student is eligible to participate in a postsecondary enrollment program if they meet the criteria set by the eligible institution and:

- participation will not delay the student's progress toward high school graduation;
- participation will not result in the cancellation of the same course offered by the student's school due to low enrollment;
- [NOTE: The Board will select any additional eligibility criteria and include it here.]

The criteria for determining the courses approved for secondary credit are as follows:

- A. the eligible institution and the Corporation, through its Superintendent, shall determine the terms and conditions under which the Corporation will award credit, if any, for a specified course successfully completed by a student through the Corporation;

- B. the eligible institution shall determine the terms and conditions under which the Corporation will award secondary credit, if any, for a specific course successfully completed through the eligible institution; and
- C. secondary credit also will be awarded for the successful completion of the following courses:
  - ( ) a course that is approved by the principal of the high school that the student attends for secondary credit requirements.
  - ( ) a course that is a dual credit course or concurrent enrollment college course which is listed by an eligible institution in the statewide core transfer library under the principles set forth in IC 21-42-5-4.

Before February 1 of each year, the Corporation shall provide each student in grades 8, 9, 10, and 11 with information concerning postsecondary enrollment opportunities.

A student who intends to enroll in an eligible institution shall notify the principal of the school in which the student is enrolled.

A Corporation representative, by agreement with an eligible institution and using information that may be provided by the eligible institution, shall meet with each student who intends to participate in a postsecondary enrollment opportunity to offer counseling at which the following are discussed:

- A. the courses in which the student may enroll, including prerequisites needed for completion.
- B. the postsecondary credit the student earns upon successful completion of a course.
- C. the consequences of the student's failure to successfully complete a course.
- D. notice of the course and schedule.

- E. the financial obligations of the student and the school under the postsecondary enrollment opportunity.
- F. the responsibilities of the student, the student's parent, and the school under the postsecondary enrollment opportunity.
- G. other matters concerning the postsecondary enrollment opportunity.

If a student enrolls in a concurrent enrollment college course, a postsecondary course taught by a faculty member of the eligible institution at the high school, or an early college program offered by an eligible institution, the eligible institution and the Corporation shall enter into a contract for the postsecondary enrollment opportunity. The contract must establish the terms and conditions under which:

- A. the eligible institution will award credit for specified classes successfully completed by students in the Corporation; and
- B. the Corporation will award credit for specified classes successfully completed by students at the eligible institution.

With respect to a course taught in a high school setting, a student must achieve at least the equivalent of a 2.0 on a 4.0 unweighted grading scale, as established by the eligible institution, in order for the student to enroll in subsequent related dual credit course work in the same subject area.

Postsecondary Credit  
High School Fast Track Program

A State educational institution may establish a high school fast track to college ~~programs that offer~~ program that offers qualified students an opportunity to earn a high school diploma while earning credits for a degree. To be eligible to earn a high school diploma under this program, the student must be either:

- A. at least nineteen (19) years of age and not enrolled in a school corporation or;
- B. at least seventeen (17) years of age and have consent from the principal of the high school most recently attended.

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The ~~School Corporation in which the student resides~~ Corporation shall pay the tuition of a student who resides in the Corporation for high school level courses taken at the state educational institution each year the student is included in the ~~School~~ Corporation's ADM.

All instructors shall meet the requirements established by State law and the Higher Learning Commission for teaching a course for which graduation credit is awarded.

To complete the requirements for a high school diploma, an individual participating in the High School Fast Track program must have:

A. passed:

1. the graduation examination given under I.C. 20-32-4;
2. an examination for a general educational development diploma;
3. an examination equivalent to the graduation examination:
  - a. administered by the state educational institution; and
  - b. approved by the department of education; or
4. an examination that demonstrates the student is ready for college level work:
  - a. administered by the state educational institution; and
  - b. approved by the department of education; and

B. completed the course work necessary to meet:

1. the minimum high school course requirements established by the Indiana state board of education; and
2. the requirements of the state educational institution.

The Superintendent ~~will~~shall establish the necessary administrative guidelines to ensure that eligibility criteria are clearly defined and properly communicated to both the students and the institutions offering such programs to students of this Corporation. The Superintendent ~~will also~~shall establish guidelines and procedures for the awarding of credit and the proper entry on a student's transcript and other records of his/her participation in a postsecondary program.

~~I.C. 20-12-13-6, 20-12-75-14, 20-30-11, 20-30-11.5, 23-13-18-29  
511 IAC 6-10-4~~

~~I.C. 21-43-1, I.C. 21-43-4, I.C. 21-43-8  
511 IAC 6-7.1-1, 511 IAC 6-7.1-6, 511 IAC 6-7.1-7, 511 IAC 6-10-1, 511 IAC 6-10-4  
Higher Learning Commission's Qualified Faculty Requirements~~