



**Get a** *Jump*  
**on college while**  
**still in high school!**

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**Enroll in**  
**Dual Enrollment**

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Contact your School Counselor  
for details and registration.



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## WHAT IS DUAL ENROLLMENT?

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A program that allows eligible high school students to earn college credit while also working towards their high school diploma.

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Dual Enrollment credits count as both high school credits and college credits.

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Academic and technical courses are available.

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Dual Enrollment is offered through most public, private, and technical colleges and universities in Georgia.

# WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN DUAL ENROLLMENT?

11th and 12th graders - must meet college admission requirements to take any approved Dual Enrollment courses at an eligible public, private or technical institution

10th graders – may enroll in Career/Technical/Agricultural Education (CTAE) courses only at a participating technical college

\*\*High achieving 10th graders with an SAT score of 1200 or an ACT score of 26 may enroll in any approved Dual Enrollment courses at a participating college or university by meeting college admission requirements.

9th graders – are ineligible for funded Dual Enrollment.

## WHAT COSTS ARE COVERED BY DUAL ENROLLMENT?

- ❑ Tuition
- ❑ Mandatory Fees
- ❑ Textbooks
- ❑ \*\*\*Rarely, some courses may have additional fees outside of mandatory college fees, such as lab fees, that are not covered by Dual Enrollment.



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FUNDING

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**The Dual Enrollment Funding Cap is 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours.**

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**The Funding Cap cannot be exceeded, except under special circumstances with career/technical courses.**

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**Any Dual Enrollment credits hours taken beyond the funding cap must be self-funded by the student.**

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**There is no funding for repeat or failed Dual Enrollment classes.**

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**Students and parents must complete the Dual Enrollment Funding application on [www.gafutures.org](http://www.gafutures.org)**

# HOW DO DUAL ENROLLMENT GRADES AND CREDITS WORK?

- Final grades in Dual Enrollment courses count for college and high school credit, and thus appear on the high school transcript and the college transcript.
- Most college courses count as a full high school credit (1.0) for one semester/quarter as opposed to a .5 credit that high school courses receive.
- Dual Enrollment courses are weighted at an extra .5 in GPA calculation for HOPE GPA.
- College issued final letter grades will be converted to numerical grades for the high school transcript: A=95, B=85, C=77, D=P, F=60, W=Z, WF=60
- Students must maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) at the college to continue in Dual Enrollment courses.
- Dual Enrollment courses meet the Academic Rigor requirement for HOPE Scholarship.

## BENEFITS OF DUAL ENROLLMENT

- ❖ Increases exposure to college-level classes while still in high school.
- ❖ Allows students with specific goals (academic or career) greater flexibility to attain those goals.
- ❖ Allows an opportunity to explore careers with technical classes.
- ❖ May assist in providing an easier transition from high school to college.
- ❖ Reduces the cost to the student and/or family.
- ❖ Offers expanded course offerings.
- ❖ Courses receive extra weight on final grades.
- ❖ Courses are worth a full credit per semester/quarter so students can accumulate more credits.

## ARE YOU READY FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT?



- Are you self-motivated and able to manage stress positively?
- Are you proactive in completing assignments and studying and have good time management skills?
- Are you diligent in attending class?
- Are you able to communicate with your teachers independently of your parent?
- Do you meet deadlines and avoid procrastination?
- Are you able to maintain good grades while being involved in extracurricular activities?



FOR YOUR  
CONSIDERATION:

- Courses are going to be taught at a college level and students must be prepared.
- Instructors will only communicate with the student. There will be not be communication with parents.
- Parents will not have access to student grades.
- Because the courses are worth a full credit, good grades are a great GPA booster but poor grades are harmful to a GPA.
- Credit transfer is not a guarantee – you must do your research.
- Competitive colleges may not consider DE as rigorous as AP. Again, research is a must.

## 2 OPTIONS FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT

- **Option A**
- With Option A, students meet traditional high school graduation requirements through a combination of high school courses and College Dual Enrollment courses for a minimum of 24 credits to graduate.
- Courses can be academic or technical courses.

TYPICAL  
DE ACADEMIC  
COURSES  
TAUGHT AT  
RCA

- ADVANCED COMPOSITION
- BRITISH LITERATURE
- AMERICAN LITERATURE
- PUBLIC SPEAKING
- COLLEGE ALGEBRA, STATISTICS
- PRECALCULUS, CALCULUS
- ECONOMICS
- AMERICAN GOVERNMENT
- U.S. HISTORY
- BIOLOGY
- ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY
- PSYCHOLOGY, SOCIOLOGY

CAREER/  
TECHNICAL  
PROGRAMS  
OFFERED AT  
RCA

- Certified Nursing Assistant
- 911 Operator
- Emergency Medical Technician
- Fire Science
- Welding
- Cosmetology (GPTC Newton Campus)
- Manufacturing (GPTC Newton Campus)

## 2 OPTIONS FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT, CON'T

- **Option B**

- Option B is an alternate route to a high school diploma. Instead of being an Option A student who will complete the 24 graduation credits (some of which are DE courses), the Option B student is seeking an alternate route because they have a career plan and want a quicker route to the credentialing needed to get to work. Option B students must complete 9 required high school classes.
- Option B students DO NOT complete the 24 credits required of Option A students and are not planning to move directly to a 4-year college upon high school graduation.
- Option B students must complete 2 Technical Certificates of Credit (TCC), a technical diploma, or a technical Associate degree along with the 9 required high school classes.

## OPTION B

High School Courses Required for Option B diploma:

English – American Lit/EOC and 1 more unit of English

Math – Algebra/EOC and 1 more unit of math

Science – Biology/EOC and 1 more unit of science

Social Studies – 2 units (preferably 1 unit in American Government or US History)

PE/Health

# OPTION B AT RCA

- WELDING

- Can be completed in 1 year
- Courses taught at RCA
- Student receives 2 TCC's

- MANUFACTURING

- Can be completed in 2 years
- Courses taught at GPTC, Newton Campus
- Student receives 2 TCC's

## DE CAREER/TECHNICAL COURSES: OPTION A OR OPTION B

- Students can take DE career/technical courses, beyond what we offer at RCA, at the technical college campus.
- There are other Option B programs offered at GPTC and other technical colleges beyond the two programs we offer at RCA.
- **We will be holding a special virtual DE Information Night with Ga. Piedmont Technical College to highlight career/technical programs and options on Tuesday, November 30, 2021, 6:30 – 8:00 pm. We will highlight the relationship between these programs and employment opportunities in our community and beyond.**



# HELPFUL WEBSITES FOR DE INFORMATION

- Information about the Dual Enrollment program can be found here: [Scholarships and Grants | Georgia Student Finance Commission \(gafutures.org\)](#) and here: [Dual Enrollment Program - GaDOE](#)
- To find out if courses will transfer to other institutions: [GATRACS.org](#)
- For information about Ga.'s public colleges and universities: [University System of Georgia \(usg.edu\)](#)
- For information about Ga.'s technical colleges: [TCSG | Technical College System of Georgia](#)

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# HOW TO APPLY FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT

1. Complete the DE Interest Survey Form: [www.rockdaleschools.org/de](http://www.rockdaleschools.org/de)
2. Attend a virtual DE Information Night or view the recorded session: [www.rockdaleschools.org/de](http://www.rockdaleschools.org/de)
3. Meet with your high school counselor for advisement. Most of our students attend the following institutions, with course offerings at RCA, but you are not limited to these colleges:
  1. Ga. Piedmont Technical College ([gptc.edu](http://gptc.edu))
  2. Point University ([point.edu](http://point.edu))
  3. Clayton State University ([clayton.edu](http://clayton.edu))
  4. Ga. Military College ([gmc.edu](http://gmc.edu))

Choosing a different college is fine! It is the student's responsibility to research admission requirements, deadlines, course selections, registration dates, etc. and to work with the Dual Enrollment advisor at that college.

## HOW TO APPLY FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT, CONT.

4. Apply to your chosen college on the college website and arrange to take, or submit scores, for any tests required for admittance (SAT, ACT, PSAT, Accuplacer). Supply the college with all required documents. Requirements will vary depending on your college of choice.
5. **THE DEADLINE TO APPLY TO THE COLLEGE TO BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN DUAL ENROLLMENT IS MAY 1, 2022.**
6. Go to [www.gafutures.org](http://www.gafutures.org) and complete the Dual Enrollment Funding Application (available in February for the 2022-2023 year) by MAY 1, 2022.
7. Complete and submit the RCPS Dual Enrollment Contract by MAY 1, 2022.

### IMPORTANT NOTE:

Before school starts next year, you must have been accepted at the college to take the DE classes.

- A FEW FINAL NOTES

- DE is an amazing opportunity but it does require the right fit between the student and the program.
- It is important to remember that the student will be a college student while still in high school and must meet the expectations of the college instructor.
- DE students must be responsible enough to troubleshoot on any issues with admissions, textbooks, technology, assignments, etc.
- Students with an IEP or 504 plan will not automatically receive accommodations at the college. Students and parents must apply through the college's Office for Disability Services.
- Per federal law, college personnel cannot and will not communicate with parents regarding their child, regardless of age or dependency status.

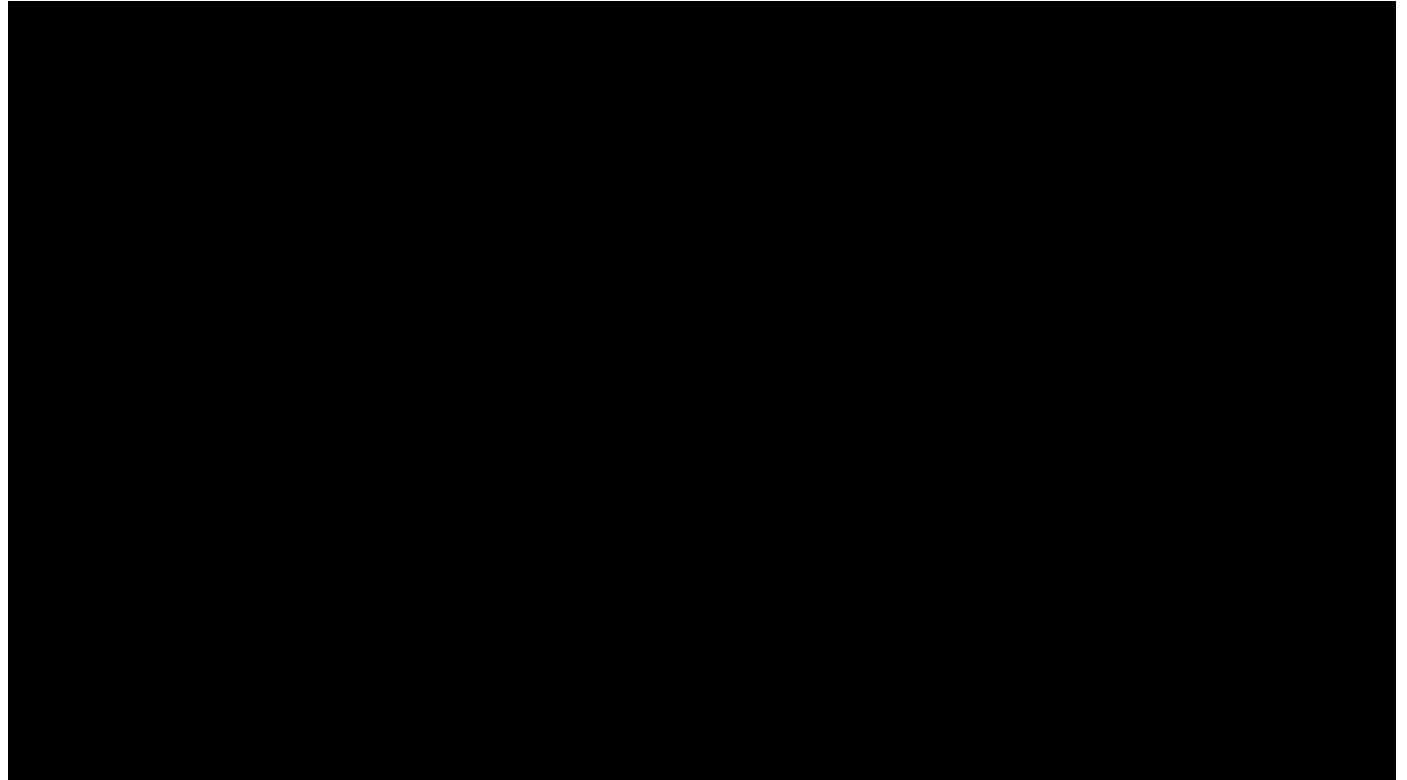


# LISTEN TO WHAT SOME CURRENT DUAL ENROLLMENT STUDENTS HAVE TO SAY ABOUT THE PROGRAM

<https://youtu.be/Ohy-GXZGiXg>

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