MHS DUAL CREDIT MHS AP CLASSES

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AGENDA

- Overview of dual credit and AP
- Dual credit student eligibility
- Fees/tuition and payment process
- "Fringe Benefits" of dual credit
- Transferring credits to other universities
- Special situations (should I enroll in dual credit or not?)
- Application process
- Question-answer time

What is dual credit?

- Earn high school and college credit at the same time
- Classes taught at MHS by MHS instructors with advanced degrees
- Cooperation with Northwest faculty liaisons
- Online courses taught by Northwest faculty
- See handout for a list of classes offered
- Resources
 - MHS Dual credit website (www.mhsguid.maryville.k12.mo.us)
 - NWMSU Dual credit website (www.nwmissouri.edu/academics/dualcredit/)

What is AP (Advanced Placement)?

- Course curriculum approved by The College Board
- Earn a specified score on the May AP exam and colleges may award credit
- Classes offered: AP Calculus AB, AP English Literature & Composition, AP Psychology.
- Check college website for required score.
- Example:

University of MO-Columbia (MU)

NWMSU

- Resources
 - College Board website (https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/home)

Dual credit student eligibility

- 3.0 GPA or 2.5 GPA and 21 ACT / PreACT or 2.5 GPA and CPI of 100
- ACT Superscores are acceptable.
- Specific Course eligibility
 - <u>Composition</u> ACT or PreACT English 18 <u>or</u> successful completion of writing challenge
 - Calculus ACT or PreACT Math 27 or completion of precalculus through Northwest with a C or better
 - Precalculus ACT or PreACT Math 22 or high school cumulative GPA 3.5
 - General Statistics, College Algebra ACT Math 22 or high school cumulative GPA 3.0

You are allowed to take a class for high school credit, and choose not to enroll in the dual credit

ACT scores must be sent directly to Northwest from ACT. Northwest will NOT accept scores from high school transcripts. This applies to dual credit students and also to traditional college freshman applicants. If you didn't have your ACT score sent to NWMSU when you registered for the ACT, you must log in to your www.actstudent.org account and request it to be sent (a \$13 fee will apply to send a past test score).

FYI....Several other universities are following this same policy. Be sure to send your ACT scores directly to them.

AP student eligibility

- AP Calculus
 - Must have completed pre-calculus
- AP English Literature
 - □ Must meet criteria in course guide
- □ AP Psychology
 - □ Junior or Senior

AP Cost

 \square 2021 cost is \$95 per test.

Dual Credit Tuition

- Discounted tuition rate of \$97 per credit hour or \$107 per credit hour for online courses (traditional 2020-21 undergraduate tuition/fees were \$354 per credit hour)
- Billed by Northwest
- Enroll now...can make monthly payments beginning in August, ½ of total due in Sept.
- Enroll fall... ½ of total due in Sept
- Starting Fall 2021, all dual credit students will be automatically enrolled in payment plans

Fringe Benefits

- Receive a Bearcat ID Card
 - Allows free admission to home athletic events, performing arts, and other activities
 - Some Maryville businesses give discounts to Northwest students with the Bearcat Card
 - Allows full use of Northwest library
- Check out a Northwest laptop to use for the year
- Access to student and academic support (inperson and online tutoring services)

Transferring Credits

- Visit the website of the college you plan to attend
- Find the "Transfer Equivalency" link, usually best found by going to Admissions-transfer student or use the website's search bar
- Look up Northwest course name/number to see how each class will transfer
- You can also call the Admissions office of the college and ask to talk to a transfer specialist

Should I do it or not????

- Composition I If attending Northwest, and ACT English subscore is >27 you may not want to enroll in dual credit (DO TAKE THE CLASS BUT MAYBE NOT FOR DUAL CREDIT)
- Degree Audit function on CatPaws (for current dual credit students – log in using your 919 number)
- Research classes that fall within your intended major area to make sure they will meet requirements for your degree.

Enrollment Process

- You can enroll now for classes you will take next fall by filling out the online application form
- Enrolling now works better than waiting until fall
- Can make changes at beginning of next year if necessary (If drop ALL classes, \$50 fee)
- If taking a class that begins 2nd semester, you won't enroll in it for the fall. There will be another enrollment period in December.
- If taking online dual credit in the fall, you MUST enroll this spring (Aug 10 is actual deadline).

Questions