

Dual Enrollment FAQs

Below are frequently asked questions about the dual enrollment process at Susquehannock High School. If you do not see the answer to your question below, please feel free to contact your counselor.

The Application Process

How do I apply for Dual Enrollment?

You will apply online with the college you choose. You will need to fill out the electronic application and request that your transcript be sent to that school through Naviance. In addition, Penn State York and York College require a letter of recommendation from your high school counselor. Please notify your counselor as soon as possible if you are applying to either of these schools.

When do I need to apply?

Each partner school has their own timeline. Please check the Quick Info Sheet which outlines the important deadlines for each college/university.

What do I need to submit to the High School Counseling Office for Dual Enrollment?

You will need to submit your signed contract and memorandum of agreement (found in the SHS Dual Enrollment packet) and your finalized proof of course registration (usually received after tuition is paid). Once these items are received by your counselor, your high school schedule can be adjusted, and the dual enrollment courses will be visible on Sapphire.

Can I take Dual Enrollment courses over the summer?

Yes, some schools offer summer courses for Dual Enrollment students. Please check with your individual school to see which classes are available. Also, be aware that the deadlines for application may be sooner for summer dual enrollment.

The Schools We Partner With

Which schools can I go to for Dual Enrollment?

SHS partners with Harrisburg Area Community College, Penn State York, and York College of Pennsylvania.

Are there differences between the three partner schools?

Yes - differences include price, the format of the class (currently HACC is the only college offering online classes to dual enrollment students), and application requirements.

Are credits more transferable from one school versus another?

No - the schools we work with have "highly transferable courses". However, you may want to use a transfer tool from the colleges you are considering applying to if you want to double check or see how those credits would be used. PA TRAC (<https://www.pacollege-transfer.com/>) is an additional resource to seek clarity on how credits may transfer within Pennsylvania schools.

Transcripts and GPA

How will my Dual Enrollment courses appear on my high school transcript?

Once the student shares their official enrollment in their college class(es), the class(es) will be listed on the student's high school schedule and transcript.

How are Dual Enrollment courses weighted towards my GPA?

Three credit Dual Enrollment courses (which are typical) will be weighted at a 1.2.

Are grades for Dual Enrollment classes the same as the high school grading system?

No. The letter grade you earn in your college class(es) will be transferred to the SHS grading system. Please see the chart in the Memorandum of Understanding page found in the SHS Dual Enrollment packet.

Scheduling

How will our high school schedule be adjusted for our college schedule?

Once you have registered for your college class(es), you will need to submit your proof of registration to your high school counselor. Your counselor will then adjust your high school schedule to make sure you can attend your college class(es).

Do you recommend certain dual enrollment courses for juniors and seniors?

There are many factors including your interests, graduation requirements, and what courses may be required for your major/college that can help you determine what college classes are best for you. Talk to your school counselor! Each school has a list of suggested dual enrollment courses, and students have taken Arabic, Astrophysics, Anthropology, English, Human Geography, and Government to name a few.

Are there specific courses that need to be taken to meet high school requirements?

Yes. Please check with your high school counselor to ensure you are enrolling in a comparable course to fulfill a high school graduation requirement (i.e. English 11/12, US Government).

AP vs. Dual Enrollment

What is the difference between Advanced Placement courses and Dual Enrollment courses?

Advanced Placement courses are taught at our high school by our teachers. The potential to earn college credit depends on your AP exam score - typically 3 or better - and what your future college or university accepts.

With Dual Enrollment courses, the student takes a course taught by an employee of the college. The potential to earn college credit is greater as many schools across the country will accept them as transfer credits but acceptance of the credit is at the discretion of your future college or university. For example, some colleges require passing the course with a C or better for the credit to transfer or there may be issues transferring between states or between public and private colleges.

Advanced Placement courses are weighted at a 1.3 for GPA calculations, while 3-credit Dual Enrollment courses are weighted at 1.2.