

NESHANNOCK JUNIOR SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

DUAL ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS

2010-2011



Dual enrollment, referred to as “concurrent enrollment” in the School Code, is an effort by the Commonwealth to encourage a broader range of students to experience postsecondary coursework and its increased academic rigor, while still in the supportive environment of their local high school. The intent is to increase the number of students that go on to postsecondary education and to decrease the need for remedial coursework at postsecondary institutions. It is a locally administered program that allows a secondary student to concurrently enroll in post-secondary courses and to receive both secondary and postsecondary credit for that coursework.

In Pennsylvania, dual enrollment is for the capable, not just the exceptional student. Students who can demonstrate the skills that are needed to succeed in a non-remedial college course are the target population for Pennsylvania’s Dual Enrollment Grant Program. A successful local dual enrollment program will increase the rigor of the high school experience for students as well as invite a broader range of students to think of themselves as “college material.” Dual enrollment will help to introduce more students to the advantages of postsecondary education and will help students have a more successful transition into the culture and expectations that are present in postsecondary institutions.

Dual enrollment programs are designed to give students greater opportunities to complete high school with adequate preparation for college and careers.

An eligible postsecondary institution is a nonprofit two-year or four-year public or private college or university or an eligible private license school approved to operate in Pennsylvania that is authorized to confer the degree of Associate in Specialized Technology or Associate in Specialized Business degree. The term does not include a foreign corporation. Community colleges, members of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education, state-related universities and private, nonprofit four-year colleges and universities are all eligible partners.

Neshannock High School requires these items for the course to be approved:

A letter stating where the student is taking the course, what the course title and number is, and what area of content he/she is seeking credit from Neshannock (i.e. science credit)

The course description – from the college (could be course catalogue)

A sample course syllabus – from college (usually from the college department chair)

The Neshannock permission form. It is more for our recordkeeping purposes.

Dual enrollment in the summer is **not** eligible for reimbursement. If a student does take a dual enrollment course in the fall and/or the spring, then students and their families **may be** eligible for some reimbursement **if** funding from the state is granted to our school.

Students are responsible for submitting forms and requested materials to the high school counselor in a timely manner so that the processing takes place prior to submission of the application to the college. Once final approval from the Assistant Superintendent’s office is obtained, it is the student’s responsibility to submit the college application and any associated fees on time.