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#### **Columbia-Brazoria Funded Dual Credit Eligibility Criteria**

The Dual Credit Program allows students to earn credit for high school while also earning college credit at Brazosport College (BC). Students may register for pre-approved college courses taught at the high school or at the college campus, BC. Each student must meet BC admission requirements in order to register for classes.

In addition, the following shall also pertain:

- Any student who failed a CHS or BC course the prior semester will not qualify for CBISD tuition • payment program the following semester.
- Poor attendance will result in the student not qualifying for CBISD tuition payment program in the following semester.
- If any CHS student withdraws from a BC course or makes a change to their courses in which they are enrolled in **AND DOES NOT** notify their counselor within 5 school days of withdrawal and/or change, the student will not qualify for the CBISD tuition payment program the following semester.
- If a student withdraws from a BC course, they will assume ALL responsibility for any associated fees and tuition.

For the 2023-2024 school year, Columbia-Brazoria ISD will pay tuition for all eligible (see criteria for eligibility) dual credit students up to 2 courses (6-8 credit hours) per semester during the Fall and Spring semester only. The fall semester includes the winter mini semester and spring semester includes the May mini semester. Summer dual credit tuition remains the responsibility of the student as does any tuition beyond the 2 courses covered per semester. Students will be responsible for textbooks and other course fees. Students are also responsible for tuition for any courses taken more than once. Tuition, fees, and textbooks for students accepted into the CATALYST program are paid for by Columbia-Brazoria ISD.

All dual credit course grades will be recorded numerically and used in averaging the high school GPA. Selected academic dual credit courses will receive a weight of 1.10. To receive high school credit for a BC dual credit course, a student must earn a grade of 70 or higher.

Students taking Dual Credit courses are still required to take and pass all required state testing as mandated by their graduation plan. For those Dual Credit courses that take the place of a STAAR EOC tested core course, students must meet performance standards on the STAAR EOC test and the final course grade will comply with STAAR EOC requirements for the substituted core subject course.

After discussing your interest to take dual credit courses with your counselor, see the dual credit counselor on your campus to enroll at BC.

A dual credit crosswalk is available after the course description section of the EPG. Course descriptions for college courses for can be found at: http://catalog.brazosport.edu

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#### **Eligibility Criteria for CBISD Funded Dual Credit:**

For all dual credit courses:

- Students must have passing grades (70 or above) in all CHS courses. •
- Students must have passed all relevant STAAR EOC exams. •
- Must pass corresponding TSI/SAT/ACT testing requirement to register for Dual Credit courses. •
- Students must have passing grades (70 or above) in all previous dual credit courses.
- If previously withdrawn from a dual credit course, the student must have reimbursed Columbia-Brazoria • ISD for any applicable tuition and fees. (principal approval)

#### **Special Notes:**

- Students who do not meet the eligibility criteria above are responsible for reimbursing Columbia-Brazoria ISD for any tuition and fees paid for by Columbia-Brazoria ISD.
- Campus principals may establish a committee to review extraordinary circumstances when necessary to • consider waiving certain eligibility requirements for a student in such circumstances. The principal's recommendation to the Superintendent/designee is final. The recommendation is subject to review by the Superintendent/designee.
- If a student does not meet the "Eligibility Criteria for CBISD Funded Dual Credit", they may still take dual credit coursework provided they meet prerequisites and any other requirements established by Brazosport College/Columbia-Brazoria ISD. Such students will be responsible for the associated tuition and fees by submitting payment to Brazosport College or reimbursing Columbia-Brazoria ISD if the district has been charged for the student's coursework.

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