



Pewamo-Westphalia Community Schools

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PWHS Students & Families,

Effective April 1, 1996, Public Act 160 and Public Act 258 of 2000 created the Postsecondary Enrollment Options Act - commonly referred to as Dual Enrollment. This law directs school districts to assist students in paying tuition and fees for courses at Michigan public or private colleges or universities. The following are some of the eligibility guidelines / standards:

1. Students in 9-12th Grade may take up to ten postsecondary courses.
2. Students can qualify for Dual Enrollment by taking one of the following assessments... PSAT, PLAN, EXPLORE ACT, or MME. Minimum qualifying scores for acceptance into Dual Enrollment programming can be found [HERE](#).
3. These Acts do not prohibit a district from supporting any pupil regardless of eligibility under these acts. A district may elect to support college level courses or career preparation courses for any pupil if it is in the best interest of the pupil.
4. Students must be enrolled in both the eligible school and eligible postsecondary institution during the local school's regular academic year and must be enrolled in at least one high school class.
5. The college courses cannot be a hobby, craft, or recreation course, or in the subject areas of physical education, theology, divinity, or religious education. Also, courses are to be those not offered by an eligible student's high school - or is not available to the student due to an unavoidable scheduling conflict.
6. School districts are required to pay an amount equal to the prorated percentage of the statewide pupil - weighted average foundation allowance, based on the proportion of the school year that the eligible student attends the eligible postsecondary institution. Eligible charges include tuition and mandatory course fees, material fees, and registration fees required by an eligible institution for enrollment in the course, but do not include transportation or parking or activity fees. PWCS' contribution toward Dual Enrollment is \$725 per course.

Please review the contents of this letter with your parents. If you believe you are eligible for Dual Enrollment, qualify for tuition and fee support, and wish to participate, please contact Mrs. Bartlett (bartlett@pwschools.org).

Sincerely,

Ryan Portenga, Principal