

Part I: General Information

Navarro College is pleased to propose a joint partnership effort with Waxahachie Preparatory Academy for the 2020-2021 academic year, hereafter referred to as “the I.S.D.,” to provide high school students an opportunity to take selected college-level academic and/or career and technical courses for both high school credit and college credit. Students must meet requirements established by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) and the Texas Education Association as outlined in the Texas Administrative Code Rule 4.85:

Alignment of Navarro College Dual Credit Program Goals to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Dual Credit Statewide Goals:

THECB Statewide Dual Credit Goals	Navarro College Dual Credit Program Goals
<p>Goal 1: Independent school districts and institutions of higher education will implement purposeful and collaborative outreach efforts to inform all students and parents of the benefits and costs of dual credit including enrollment and fee policies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Measures of Implementation and examples of items to include in documentation: Collaboration between ISDs and IHE partner(s) to host informational sessions for students and parents on dual credit opportunities, benefits, and cost; ISD and IHE dual credit webpages reflect the most current dual credit program information including enrollment and fee policies, hosting dual credit 101 sessions for high school counselors, collaboration between ISDs and IHE partner(s) on a marketing campaign, documentation summarizing collaboration and outreach efforts of IHEs; and secondary school partners will be readily available and posted. 	<p>Goal 1: Provide high school students the opportunities to a smooth transition from high school into college. Continue to increase communication to all parties with our dual credit population.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Measurements of Implementation: ▪ Constant collaboration with ISD partners. ▪ Routine meetings with counselors and administrators. ▪ Dual Credit Staff presents to students and parents several times throughout the year to share program information; such as; enrollment, college expectations, benefits, costs and student services. ▪ Dual Credit webpage is updated routinely for current information. We routinely share updates and marketing materials with our partners to then share information to students and parents through handouts, email, text, and social media. ▪ Dual Credit department maintains records of all dual credit events and tracks enrollment to best communicate with all students.
<p>Goal 2: Dual credit programs will assist high school students in the successful transition to and acceleration through postsecondary education.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Metric: Examples of items included in analysis: Student enrollment in postsecondary after high school; time to degree completion; semester credit hours to degree; analysis of measures in enrollment in and persistence through, 	<p>Goal 2: Continue to create and implement guided pathways for dual credit students that align with high school pathways and graduation requirements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Metric: ▪ Student enrollment in postsecondary after high school is tracked through THECB and internal data. ▪ Time to degree completion and semester credit

<p>postsecondary education disaggregated by student sub-population.</p>	<p>hours to degree is tracked through internal data.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Analysis of measures in enrollment in persistence through postsecondary education, disaggregated by student subpopulation is tracked through internal data. ▪ Dual credit office performs transcript audits to determine hours to degree completion, student success, and graduation opportunities. ▪ The Dual Credit Department performs student academic advising with dual credit high school students per THECB rules.
<p>Goal 3: All dual credit students will receive academic and college readiness advising with access to student support services to bridge them successfully into college course completion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Metric: ▪ Examples of items included in analysis: Student enrollment in postsecondary after high school ▪ Time to degree completion; decrease in excess number of semester hours beyond required hours to degree completion; analysis of measures in enrollment and degree completion disaggregated by student sub-population. 	<p>Goal 3: Continue to increase academic and transition advising to our dual credit population.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Metric: ▪ Student enrollment in postsecondary after high school is tracked through THECB and internal data. ▪ The Dual Credit Department performs transcript audits to determine time to degree completion, student success, and graduation opportunities. ▪ The Dual Credit Department performs academic and career goal advisement to establish a plan of enrollment for efficient use of courses in order to decrease the excess hours to completion. ▪ Collaboration with ISD's to offer more dual credit course offerings that are of high need/interest with student's field of study goals.
<p>Goal 4: The quality and rigor of dual credit courses will be sufficient to ensure student success in subsequent courses.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Metric: Analysis of performance in subsequent course work. 	<p>Goal 4:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Dual Credit Department, continuously analyzes student success by course by term, as well as, performs faculty evaluations to insure student success.

Eligible Courses

- Courses offered for college credit must be identified as college-level academic courses in the current edition of the Lower Division Academic Course Guide Manual (ACGM) adopted by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, or as college-level workforce education courses in the current edition of the Workforce Education Course Manual (WECM) adopted by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

- A college course offered for dual credit must be: (A) in the core curriculum of the public institution of higher education providing the credit; (B) a career and technical education course; (C) a foreign language course; or (D) a college pathway course that satisfies specific degree plan requirements leading to the completion of a Board approved certificate; AA, AS, AAS degree program, or FOSC.
- Public colleges may not offer remedial and developmental courses for dual credit. ISD is encouraged to partner with Navarro College (as required by House Bill 5, 83rd Texas Legislature) to develop and provide courses in college preparatory mathematics and English Language Arts to prepare student for success in entry-level college courses
(See HB 5 MOU)

Student Eligibility

- High school students must meet all eligibility requirements set forth in the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board rules, and demonstrate college readiness by achieving the minimum passing standards under the provisions of the Texas Success Initiative to be eligible for enrollment in a dual credit course offered by a public college. Please reference the Dual Credit Testing Requirements for detailed score information.
- A student may enroll in workforce Education College courses contained in a Level 1 certificate program, or a program leading to a credential of less than a Level 1 certificate, at a public junior college or public technical institute in the eleventh and/or twelfth grade and shall not be required to provide any additional demonstration of college readiness. Students enrolling in a Level 2 certificate or applied associate degree program must demonstrate college readiness by achieving the minimum passing standards under the provisions of the Texas Success Initiative.
- To be eligible for enrollment in a dual credit course offered by Navarro College, students must meet all the College's regular prerequisite requirements designated for that course (e.g., minimum score on a specified placement test, minimum grade in a specified previous course, etc.) to be eligible for enrollment in a college course offered by a public college.
- Ninth and tenth grade students with demonstrated outstanding academic performance and capability may be eligible to begin academic or technical college courses. Students must meet the following requirements prior to enrollment:
 - Must have a minimum overall average of 85, or an equivalent GPA, in the year preceding enrollment in college coursework.
 - Must be TSI complete in both TSI Writing and Reading or TSI Math and have successfully met the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) requirements (Reading and Writing, OR Math) for the desired college course.
 - Must have approval from the high school official, parent/legal guardian, and a Navarro College Dual Credit Coordinator.

Dual Credit Admissions

- Students must meet the following admission requirements:
 - Complete an application for Navarro College through Apply Texas.
 - Complete the online Dual Credit Enrollment Form on the NC Self-Service student portal. New students must have parent approval upon initial enrollment and all students must have high school official approval each semester enrolling.
 - Provide a current high school transcript. Incoming 9th graders may provide a final 8th grade report card.
 - Provide applicable test score reports to meet current college readiness standards and dual credit eligibility. Please reference the Dual Credit Testing Requirements page for further test score information.
 - Provide a vaccination record indicating a current bacterial meningitis vaccination if the student will be taking courses on the Navarro College campus.
- High school students who have completed 15 semester credit hours must see a Navarro College Academic Advisor or Navarro College Dual Credit Coordinator prior to enrolling in additional coursework. Students must select a Navarro College degree plan or program of study upon completion of 15 semester credit hours.
- High school students taking Navarro College courses are recognized as college students and will be treated as such, regardless of the course location. All Navarro College students, including students enrolled for dual credit, are expected to abide by the Navarro College Code of Conduct and Academic Decorum standards located in the Navarro College Student Handbook. A collegiate classroom environment is expected at all times.
- Navarro College courses, including those offered on high school campuses, may contain controversial material and mature content. Navarro College courses will not be tailored to high school learners. Parents and high school officials are encouraged to consider the maturity level of the individual student prior to approving that student's enrollment in college courses.
- Dual credit students who earn a Navarro College GPA of less than 2.0 may be removed from the dual credit program.

Additional enrollment requirements may apply.

Location of Class

- College courses may be taught on the college campus, on the high school campus, or via distance learning. In addition, college courses taught electronically shall comply with the Navarro College Standards for Quality Online Course Design and Instruction.

Deadline Requirements

- Please refer to the Navarro College Dual Credit Program deadlines for the dual credit enrollment periods. All course offering requests for the upcoming school year must be submitted to the Dual Credit Department no later than April 1st.

Composition of Class

College courses taught for dual credit may be composed of:

- Dual credit students only
- Dual credit and college credit students
- Dual credit and high school credit-only students if one of the following conditions apply:
 - The course is required by State Board of Education and the high school is otherwise unable to offer such a course.
 - The high school credit-only students are College Board Advanced Placement (AP) students.
 - The course is a career and technical or college workforce education course and the high school credit-only students are earning articulated college credit. Please note that Navarro College does not articulate credit. Therefore, all Navarro College career and technical dual credit course sections are for dual credit only and may not be mixed with regular high school students.

Faculty Selection, Supervision, and Evaluation

- Faculty members who are employed with the school district on a full-time basis and teach a Navarro College course, either inside or outside of their regular ISD duty hours, are considered employees of Navarro College for the purposes of the college course taught for dual credit and are required to meet all other Navarro College adjunct faculty requirements.
- The College shall approve instructors of college courses taught for dual credit. These adjunct faculty members must meet the same credentialing standards and complete the same approval processes as other faculty who are selected to teach the same courses at Navarro College. This includes, but is not limited to, adhering to the minimum requirements set by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC).
- The College cannot guarantee that a faculty member will be available to teach every dual credit course requested by the I.S.D.
- The College will supervise and evaluate instructors of college courses taught for dual credit using the same criteria and procedures as those used for other faculty at Navarro College.

Course Curriculum, Instruction, and Grading

- The College shall ensure that a college course taught for dual credit is equivalent to the corresponding course offered at Navarro College in relation to the curriculum, materials, instruction, method, and rigor of student evaluation. These standards must be maintained regardless of the student composition of the class.
- College courses taught for dual credit, regardless of location, will start and end with Navarro College's semester dates. Faculty will follow the College's calendar for all course planning, curriculum, reporting, and grading.

- College courses taught for dual credit must meet the appropriate contact hours required for each course taught.
- Final course grades must be submitted on the College's schedule.
- The only official grades currently assigned at Navarro College are mid-term and final course number grades. Navarro College does not assign progress grades to our college students. All course-grading conventions are stipulated in each instructor's course syllabus. Students are responsible for managing their status in their college course(s) and for reporting progress to their high school official. Students may obtain their current grade or course standing by the gradebook method outlined in their course syllabi. Grades provided by students should only be used as an academic check for intervention purposes and to monitor student success. As always, faculty report academic or behavioral concerns through Navarro College's Care Report system as appropriate.

Academic Policies and Student Support Services

- Regular academic policies applicable to courses taught at Navarro College also apply to college courses taught for dual credit. These policies include, but are not limited to, syllabus distribution, communication of grading policies to students, course drops, academic integrity, scholastic probation and suspension, student/instructor conflict resolution, and final course grade challenges.
- High school students in college courses are eligible to utilize the same support services that are afforded all Navarro College students. The College is responsible for ensuring timely and efficient access to such services (e.g., academic advising and counseling), to learning materials (e.g., library resources), and to other benefits for which the student may be eligible.
- High school students requesting disability accommodations in their college classes must file with Navarro College's Disability Services Department at least two weeks prior to the start of each semester. Please refer to the Navarro College Student Handbook or Navarro College Catalog for additional information.

Transcription of Credit

- For dual credit courses, both high school and college credit should be transcribed immediately upon a student's completion of the college course.

Tuition and Fees

- Navarro College offers a dual credit discount for tuition and fees for the fall and spring terms only. Navarro County residents receive a 50% discount and residents outside of Navarro County receive a 51% discount. For current tuition and fee schedules, please refer to the Navarro College Website at: <https://www.navarrocollege.edu/costs-aid/>

Funding

The state funding for dual credit courses will be available to both public school districts and colleges based on the current funding rules of the State Board of Education.

Part II: Responsibilities of Navarro College

1. A Navarro College administrator or full-time faculty member may visit dual credit classes for evaluation purposes.
2. Navarro College will conduct an orientation session for I.S.D. faculty teaching Navarro College courses as needed.
3. Appropriate Navarro College faculty and/or administrators may review major examinations in each course to determine whether students are required to master the skills and concepts identified in the course syllabus.
4. Navarro College is responsible for maintaining a college transcript for each student. All courses will be identified on the college transcript as regular college-level courses.
5. Navarro College will work with the high school administration to determine which courses will be offered for dual credit and will review the list of dual credit courses annually.
6. Navarro College reserves the right to require a minimum number of students for enrollment in each course section. If the minimum is not met, Navarro College reserves the right to cancel the course offering. Navarro College cannot guarantee the availability of every course requested by the high school.
7. All reasonable accommodations for disability services and special needs must be approved by the Navarro College Disability Services Office.
8. Navarro College is responsible for maintaining the confidentiality of all student information and records as required by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). Students who wish to allow parents or guardians to access grades or other student information must complete the Navarro College Student Record Release Form available in the Navarro College Office of Admissions or MyNC Student Portal.
9. Navarro College reserves the right to deny continued enrollments for students who display unsatisfactory academic progress.
10. Navarro College reserves the right to deny enrollment or readmission for students who violate the Navarro College Student Code of Conduct.
11. Navarro College will provide academic advisement to all dual credit students who complete 15 semester credit hours.
12. Navarro College will collaborate with school administrators to schedule dual credit information sessions, parent meetings, advising sessions, and other related events.
13. Navarro College will provide routine updates to our service area partners about tuition and fees, enrollment policies and procedures, and deadlines.

Part III: Responsibilities of the Dual Credit Instructor

1. The instructor is responsible for providing any necessary employment documents and official college transcripts to the appropriate Navarro College dean or department chair.
2. The instructor shall meet all the same requirements and guidelines as other Navarro College adjunct faculty.
3. All Navarro College faculty are required to use their Navarro College email and to check it on a regular basis.
4. Each course must be taught using and conforming to the Navarro College course syllabus for each specific course.
5. The instructor is responsible for verifying the accuracy of the Navarro College class roster(s) and reporting discrepancies to the Registrar's Office prior to the official census date.
6. The instructor is responsible for teaching the material outlined in the College course syllabus and departmental requirements.
7. The instructor will adhere to the policies and practices of Navarro College. This includes using the approved departmental syllabus, textbook, and other related materials. The high school text may serve as a supplement, if necessary, to meet the TEKS requirements.
8. Faculty members teaching a dual credit course must record student grades in Navarro College's system in accordance with the College calendar and deadlines.
9. Faculty are required to inform students of course standing, grades, etc., and must comply with all Navarro College departmental and grading policies.
10. Faculty are encouraged to report progress or potential problems to the I.S.D. as requested.
11. Faculty may not give any accommodations to students without written approval from the Navarro College Disability Services Department.
12. Instructors should treat dual credit students in the same manner as other college students.
13. Dual credit instructors will attend Convocation and/or departmental meetings each fall and spring semester. New instructors will also need to attend Canvas training as well as any training provided by the department regarding topics such as publisher materials. Competency evaluations may be required when teaching a career and technical dual credit course. Any instructor teaching hybrid or online classes must complete Canvas training and be approved for online or hybrid courses prior to teaching them. Information about upcoming Canvas training is provided by Office of Media Integration.

Part VI: Signatures of Authorization

With the understanding that this Dual Credit Program is being offered to assist students, Navarro College and the I.S.D. agree to the above.

APPROVAL SIGNATURES:

Carol James Lynette Green
Navarro College Administrator Signature ISD Administrator Signature

7/1/2020
Date