

# BEARDEN HIGH SCHOOL DUAL ENROLLMENT 2021 – 2022

## Frequently Asked Questions

### What is Dual Enrollment?

- Dual Enrollment (DE) takes place when a high school student is enrolled in high school and college simultaneously. In other words, the student is approved for getting high school and college credit for the same class.
- Only **rising juniors** and rising **seniors** can apply to take DE courses. Dual Enrollment provides a means for high school students to accelerate their college education and get a feel for what learning will be like in college.
- DE courses are usually 2 or 3 days a week.
- DE courses are now taken on the college campus or online.
- **DE courses must be scheduled during first or fourth block and must be pre-approved by your school counselor.**
- When the student is not attending a DE class, the student is permitted to come in late or leave early.

### What are the Dual Enrollment Qualifications?

- 1) Only rising juniors and seniors can take Dual Enrollment courses.
- 2) Qualifications must be met by the time the student is registering for the class.
- 3) To qualify, students must meet *one* of the categories below:
  - 3.0 Unweighted GPA **AND** SAT/PSAT Evidenced-based Reading & Writing score of 500 (PSAT *only* accepted for high school juniors)
  - 3.0 Unweighted GPA **AND** ACT/Pre-ACT subscores of 19 in Reading & 18 in English (19+ in Math, if taking a math course) - (Pre-ACT *only* accepted for high school juniors)
  - 3.6 Unweighted GPA

### What is the Dual Enrollment Grant (DEG)?

- The TN Dual Enrollment Grant is a grant program for the students that pays for qualifying students to take DE classes.
  - For rising **juniors and seniors**, the state grant will pay the below amounts toward tuition...
    - 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> class – up to \$500 per class
    - 3<sup>rd</sup> class - \$200
    - 4<sup>th</sup> class - \$0
- Tusculum and LMU may have separate college funding for courses but students must still apply for the DEG.**
- To remain eligible for the grant and to continue enrollment in DE, students **must maintain at least a 2.75 college GPA** (a “B” average).
  - For more information about the DE grant : <https://www.tn.gov/collegepays/money-for-college/tn-education-lottery-programs/dual-enrollment-grant.html>

### What DE courses are normally taken by BHS students?

**DE English I** – Can count for English 4 for HS & College English 1010.

**DE English II** – Can count for English 1020. **English 1010 is a prerequisite.**

**DE Psychology** – Can count for a HS humanities elective credit and College Psychology.

**DE Math** – Can count as quantitative elective at UTK & transfers to all Board of Regents schools.

\*\* If interested in other DE courses, indicate that choice during registration.

**All DE courses are taken off the BHS campus or online must be pre-approved by your school counselor.**

**Please consult the Pellissippi/Tusculum/LMU websites comprehensive lists of Dual Enrollment Courses and their equivalencies to a college / university.**

### Is transportation available for students?

- **Since DE Classes are all off-campus or online, the student or student’s family is responsible for any transportation needed for the student to attend DE classes.**

### What is the process for signing up for DE courses? *Timelines may vary per year*

- During BHS Course Registration:
  - Choose the DE course(s) that you plan to take when registering for your 2021-2022 courses on ASPEN – indicate which semester you would like to try to have the DE course (in the “Notes to Counselor” box) & your DE application.
  - Complete a BHS DE Application and return to your counselor by March 5<sup>th</sup>

- Plan to attend a “DE Day” Meeting- March 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> from 3:30pm-4:30pm.
- Research / plan which institution that you would like to attend (PSCC /Tusculum/LMU)

➤ March

- ALL prospective DE students MUST attend a “DE Day” Meeting – this is where you will complete all items needed to take your DE course with a representative of the college, in which you plan to enroll. At these meetings, you will complete the following:
  - College (PSCC/Tusculum/LMU) application
  - Dual Enrollment Grant Application
  - Immunization Forms (for respective college)

➤ April / May

- For Fall enrollment: Complete your course registration (through the college’s registration portal – not ASPEN) & give a copy of your college course schedule to your counselor before leaving this meeting.

➤ November:

- If not taking DE in the Fall semester: Complete your course registration (through the college’s registration portal – not ASPEN) & give a copy of your college course schedule to your counselor before leaving “DE Day”.

**NOTES...**

- Indicating you are taking a dual enrollment class through online registration for your BHS classes does not equal enrollment in a dual enrollment class. It is simply indicating that you plan to take a dual enrollment course.
- Ultimately, it is the student’s responsibility to register for your class at the college and confirm attendance. There are many steps required before registration with the college can happen, which we will help you with during the required “DE Day”.
- It is recommended that you plan to take a dual enrollment class that occurs during first block or fourth block, or in the evening. We will work with you once you register for your dual enrollment class to create a schedule.
- On the first day of the semester, attend a dual enrollment meeting at BHS during the block in which you have the DE class, to receive additional instructions and reminders.

**Other Important DE Information:**

- DE courses are not listed as Honors or Advanced Placement courses on the high school transcript; however, they will receive 1.0 weight in the weighted GPA. Each course will also receive four points added to the final course average for Knox County Schools transcript use only.
- All eligibility requirements and pre-approvals for dual enrollment MUST be met or students will be dropped from taking the dual enrollment course.
- Students are responsible for checking with colleges and universities to see how DE courses transfer.
- If a student withdraws from a Dual Enrollment course, he/she is obligated to let his/her school counselor know immediately and that student could receive an “F” in the course that will show on their transcript.
- Bearden does not have access to a student’s DE grades throughout the semester. The student is considered a college student and therefore, their educational information is confidential and can’t be shared with parents unless the student signs the post-secondary institution’s form permitting this information be released.
- Students can take up to a maximum number of two DE courses per semester and is based on recommendations of the student’s school counselor.

For more information about Dual Enrollment at Pellissippi, please visit the Pellissippi State website at <http://www.pstcc.edu/dual>

For more information about Dual Enrollment at Tusculum, please visit the Tusculum website at <https://web.tusculum.edu/tepsol/>

For more information about Dual Enrollment at Lincoln Memorial University, please visit the LMU website at <https://www.lmunet.edu/undergraduate-admissions/lmu-edge.php>