



Lone Star College Dual Credit Program

http://www.lonestar.edu/dualcredit.htm



### What is Dual Credit?

- Dual Credit is part of Lone Star College System's Exceptional Admissions program, usually designed for high school students who demonstrate college readiness.
- The Dual Credit program allows students to earn high school credit and college credit at the same time



### **Benefits**

- Earn college credit and shorten time needed to obtain a college degree
- Lower the cost of college
- Gain college experience while still in a high school supportive environment
- Apply dual credit courses as advanced measures to a distinguished graduation plan
- Enhance high school GPA; Some dual credit courses are weighted higher
- Many of the classes are fully transferrable to public colleges or universities in Texas



# What You Need to Know

- Grades in dual credit and College Credit only classes become a permanent part of your college record.
- Students who receive a D or F in a dual credit course are not permitted to continue in the dual credit program.





### What Does it Cost?

- Tuition for Lone Star College System's dual credit program is currently waived 100% (Not including fees and textbooks).
  - 3hr class- \$72 fees (embedded on HS Campus)
  - 6hr class- \$132 fees (embedded on HS Campus)
- Online and on-campus courses may have additional fees



### Where to Start

- Where to start
  - Talk to your HS counselor
  - Complete an application at <u>www.lonestar.edu</u>



- Demonstrate college readiness through test scores (SAT, ACT, TSI)
- Register through HS counselor



# TSI Placement Testing

- Watch Pre Assessment Activity (through MyLoneStar account)
- No Charge for Initial Test
- Tests may be administered through the school or on the LSC campus





# Things to Remember...

- You need to know
  - FERPA
  - Bacterial Meningitis
  - Request Transcript





#### FERPA

- Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
- The Act prevents the release of certain information held within student records without your written consent, even if the student is under 18
- Authorization to Release Student Education Records Form should be completed



### Bacterial Meningitis

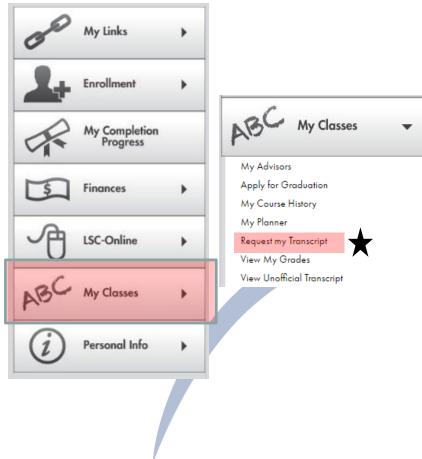
- Attending classes at a LSC Campus?
  - Provide the College with proof of vaccination (online submission only) or complete a conscientious objection form
  - Parents must sign this form for a Dual Credit Student
- Students attending DC classes at a High School campus or online only are <u>exempt</u>





### **Request Transcript**

- Must request LSC transcript to transfer credits to another college or university
- Request through your MyLoneStar Account
- Each official transcript costs \$10





## Things to Remember

- Always consult with your counselor
- Prepare to spend 2 hours outside of class for every hour in class
- Learn your Lone Star ID Number
- Learn your myLoneStar Username & Password
- Regularly Check your Lone Star e-mail OR
- Forward your mail to your personal e-mail address
- All adds/drops must be completed through your counselor – you cannot drop a class online



### **Contact Information**

### http://www.lonestar.edu/dualcredit.htm

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# TWHS Dual Credit 2019-2020

# Deadline: Friday, April 26, 2019

# Classes Offered on TWHS Campus

#### Juniors

- English 3 (English 1301/1302)
- US History (History 1301/1302)
- College Algebra (Math 1314- spring only)

#### Seniors

- English 4 (English 1301/1302)
- English 4 (English 2332/2333- Eng1301/1302 prerequisite)
- College Algebra (Math 1314- spring only)
- Precalculus (Math 1316/2412- Math 1314 Prerequisite)

# AP or Dual Credit

- AP classes are 6.0 GPA fall and 6.0 GPA spring
- All dual credit on TWHS campus are 6.0 credit per college course (one fall/one spring). College Algebra is Honors in the fall (5.0) and dual credit in the spring (6.0)
- DC is recognized in Texas Public Universities and in many private and out of state schools
- AP is nationally recognized with AP style timed writings in all classes
- DC = earn college transcript as you go
- AP= earn college credit based on AP exam score at end of year

#### How do we know which is better for us?

- Everyone is different look for the right balance of classes
- Research the colleges- look at transfer course equivalency to determine credit

# TWHS Dual Credit Process

- 1. TWHS website- Dual Credit Registration- Step 1- Apply
  - Students sign up for a Help Session on TWHS campus during the school day
  - Must attend both Help Sessions- will receive a pass that morning
- 2. Receive a packet during the first Help Session with further instructions and how to qualify chart
  - The completed packet (2 blue forms and signature sheet) are due at THE SECOND HELP SESSION (make sure all highlighted parts are filled out)
  - Log into College Board or ACT account- print PDF with PSAT/SAT/ACT scores and attach to packet. First and last names and scores must be on the same page.
  - Students who do not already qualify will sign up for TSI at second Help Session

# Next Step

#### 3. Paperwork

- Once paperwork and scores are turned in, counselors complete the bottom portion of the two blue forms, adding the classes the student requested. Counselors will meet one on one starting next month.
- Lone Star registers the students into the classes.

#### 4. Payment

- Near the end of May, students and parents will receive an email from TWHS stating the payment window is open with directions on how to pay for fall classes in the MyLoneStar portal. The deadline for payment is August 2, 2019.
- <u>REMEMBER</u>: DC College Algebra is a spring only college course and will NOT be included in fall Lone Star classes. This is not an error.
- There will be another payment deadline in December 2019 for spring Lone Star classes. An email will go out to parents and students when it is time to pay for spring semester. This will include DC College Algebra.

## Teacher & Counselor Recommendations

#### Recommendations

- Each teacher should have met with the students to give their recommendations on level of core classes next year
- Counselors are beginning to meet with the students individually starting in February and will discuss

#### > Things to Consider

- My student qualifies for DC but is it the best idea? The grade will follow them to college, an A or a B could be an advantage but a C could negatively affect college GPA
- My student qualifies and always does well, but they have 6 higher level classes and Band. Is it too much? Counselors state that each DC or AP course is at least 2-3 hours of work per class per night

# Other DC Classes

#### **DC US History Summer School**

- Located on CISD Summer School campus (TBA)
- History 1301/1302- two 6.0 GPA credits
- Summer before Junior year only
- US History EOC December Junior year
- Tell your counselor when you meet you're interested. TWHS is only given a certain number of seats, there will be a waitlist and a lottery in April to build the class. More info to come – all dates TBA (released around March/beginning April)

#### **Other DC classes/electives**

- Not on TWHS campus
- 4.0 GPA only
- See counselor for more information

# Please Remember

- All required paperwork and test scores are due before 3 PM on Friday, April 26, 2019. No paperwork or scores will be taken after this deadline and those students will NOT be placed in a DC class.
- For more information about dual credit- please visit our website:

http://twhs.conroeisd.net/counseling/counseling/dualcredit/

# Grade Level Counselor

If you have further questions or concerns about dual credit, please contact your student's Grade Level Counselor.

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