Submitter:
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Representing:
Florida College: North Florida Community College

District(s) the Agreement(s) include
Suwannee County Schools

Type of Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreement for Submission
Public Postsecondary Institution – School District

(A) Public Postsecondary Institution Agreement with Public School Districts

Each district school superintendent and each public postsecondary institution president shall develop a comprehensive dual enrollment articulation agreement for the respective school district and postsecondary institution. The superintendent and president shall establish an articulation committee for the purpose of developing the agreement. Each state university president may designate a university representative to participate in the development of a dual enrollment articulation agreement. A dual enrollment articulation agreement shall be completed and submitted annually by the postsecondary institution to the Department of Education on or before August 1.

1. A ratification or modification of all existing articulation agreements.

This agreement shall be in effect from the date of entering into this agreement until July 31, 2023. It shall replace all previous dual enrollment articulation agreements between the parties. Any requested amendments to this agreement and academic calendar shall be made by the district’s Superintendent to the College’s Chief Academic Officer.

The School Board and the College also maintain a Sentinel Scholars Collegiate Academy Memorandum of Understanding that is a structured high school acceleration program in which a cohort of students is enrolled full time in postsecondary courses toward an associate degree, section 1007.273, Florida Statutes (2021).

2. A description of the process by which students and their parents are informed about opportunities for student participation in the dual enrollment program.
Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreement Submission Site

It is the responsibility of the district schools to inform students of the availability of the dual enrollment program, requirements, and currently offered courses through educational planning and guidance process. Each school will advertise dual enrollment through a variety of methods. The district schools shall inform all eligible secondary students and their parents of dual enrollment as an educational option, including eligibility criteria and the process by which students and parents exercise their option to participate. The district schools will allow College personnel reasonable access to the schools and students for purposes of program information and dissemination. The district will provide staff to assist College personnel with facilities and requested instructional equipment.

The College shall work with the district schools to provide a live schedule of classes on the College website and will be available to communicate directly with parents and students about dual enrollment options. For information about NFC’s Dual Enrollment program call the Office of Dual Enrollment at 850-973-1628 or 850-973-9490. The Office of Dual Enrollment will maintain the NFC Dual Enrollment website. The College will produce NFC Dual Enrollment promotional material. The College will mail information about dual enrollment to a list of qualified students provided by the School Board in the spring of each year. The College and the district schools will work collaboratively to provide annual information sessions as needed, in person or virtually, to parents and students interested in dual enrollment.

Minority enrollment is encouraged in dual enrollment programs. High school guidance counselor or designee will ensure that minority students are provided information about the dual enrollment program, including the advantages afforded students who register for college courses while in high school. Both the College and the school district hold a shared philosophy and desire to serve the goal of increasing minority enrollment in the dual enrollment program; therefore, at the school district’s discretion, information about the dual enrollment program shall be provided to all students starting in middle school for the purpose of preparing students and their families for dual enrollment eligibility.

3. A delineation of courses and programs available to students eligible to participate in dual enrollment.
A. Dual Enrollment Section 1007.271, Florida Statutes (2021)

1. Section 1007.271(1), Florida Statutes (2021), states “dual enrollment program is the enrollment of an eligible secondary student or home education student in a postsecondary course creditable toward high school completion and a career certificate or an associate or baccalaureate degree. A student who is enrolled in postsecondary instruction that is not creditable toward a high school diploma may not be classified as a dual enrollment student.”

2. Students are permitted to enroll in these programs in fall and spring terms during school hours and after school hours. In addition, eligible secondary school students shall be permitted to enroll in eligible courses regardless of delivery method. Any student so enrolled shall be exempt from the payment of registration, matriculation, and laboratory fees.

3. Part time Dual Enrollment may take up to 11 credit hours per term.

B. Early Admission Dual Enrollment Section 1007.271(10), Florida Statutes (2021)

Early admission is a form of dual enrollment through which eligible secondary students enroll in a post-secondary institution on a full-time basis (minimum of 12 credit hours and a maximum of 15 credit hours per term) in courses that are creditable toward the high school diploma and the associate degree. Students who wish to register for more than 15 credit hours per term need permission of the Dean of Academic Affairs. Those students are eligible to participate in high school athletics.

C. Career Dual Enrollment Section 1007.271(7), Florida Statutes (2021)

1. Career dual enrollment was established by the Legislature as a positive measure to expand the scope of the dual enrollment program. Students may take up to 330 vocational clock hours per term part time Career Dual Enrollment.

2. This type of dual enrollment shall be provided as a curricular option for eligible secondary students to earn industry certifications pursuant to section 1008.44, Florida Statutes (2021) which count as credits toward the high school diploma.

3. For 2022-2023, CWE (Career and Workforce Education) programs available for eligible secondary students are *Certified Production Technology and the CMS Correctional Basic Recruit Training Program. *Pending SACSCOC approval.

D. Career Early Admission Section 1007.271(11), Florida Statutes (2021)

Career early admission is a form of career dual enrollment through which eligible secondary students enroll full-time (330+ clock hours per term) in postsecondary programs leading to industry certifications, as listed in the CAPE Postsecondary Industry Certification Funding List. Students who wish to register for more than 480 vocational clock hours per term need permission of the Dean of Academic Affairs. “Participation in the career early admissions program is limited to students who have completed a minimum of 4 semesters of full-time secondary enrollment, including studies undertaken in ninth grade” section 1007.271(11), Florida Statutes (2021). For 2022-2023, CWE (Career and Workforce Education) program available for eligible secondary students is the Early Childhood Professional Certificate (ECPC).

E. Early College Program Section 1007.273, Florida Statutes (2021)

The early college program is an option for public school students to enroll in a structured high school acceleration program in which a cohort of students is enrolled full time in postsecondary courses toward an associate degree. The early college program must prioritize courses applicable as general education core courses under section 1007.25, Florida Statutes (2021) for an associate degree or a baccalaureate degree.

North Florida College encourages students who wish to enroll in college credit courses to concentrate on general education courses. Students who intend to earn an Associate in Arts or Baccalaureate degree should carefully evaluate each course to determine its applicability to meeting degree requirements. College credit courses are defined as those courses that meet requirements for Advanced Technical Diplomas, College Credit Certificates, Associate in Arts, and Associate in Science. Dual enrollment courses may be taken at the College or at the high school site or at any location where college courses are taught, subject to approval by the high school guidance counselor or designee. In addition, eligible secondary school students shall be permitted to enroll in eligible courses regardless of delivery method.

A list of courses available to students through dual enrollment is available at:


4. A description of the process by which students and their parents exercise options to participate in the dual enrollment program.

The high school will promote the dual enrollment program by informing students and their parents about the ramifications of taking college credit courses while in high school. The high school will provide parents and students who may be eligible to take dual enrollment courses the eligibility criteria to apply and register for college courses. Students will be responsible for completing the dual enrollment applications and returning the completed application to the high school counselor. The high school counselor will submit dual enrollment applications to the NFC Dual Enrollment Coordinator. Students will register for classes through their high school counselor; they may not register online or directly through NFC staff.

5. A list of any additional initial student eligibility requirements for participation in the dual enrollment program.
An eligible secondary student is defined in section 1007.271(2), Florida Statutes (2021), as a student who is enrolled in a Florida public school or a Florida private secondary school that is in compliance with section 1002.42(2), Florida Statutes (2021) and provides a secondary curriculum pursuant to section 1003.4282, Florida Statutes (2021). Confirmation of compliance must be provided to the college from the non-public institution. Evidence of compliance can be a letter attesting that the non-public school complies or the receipt of actual documentation, i.e., catalogs, etc.

Students must meet the following eligibility criteria:

• Be enrolled as a student in a Florida public or nonpublic secondary school (grades 6-12), or in a home education program. The College limits eligible students in grades 6-8 to one course per semester. The number of semester hours that an eligible student in grades 9-12 enrolls each term is at the discretion of the high school counselor. The College recommends that eligible students in grades 9 and 10 limit coursework to two courses per semester and students in grades 11 limit coursework to three courses per semester.

• Achieve and maintain, with no exceptions, an unweighted 3.0 high school grade point average to enroll in college credit courses.

• Achieve and maintain, with no exceptions, an unweighted 2.0 high school grade point average to enroll in career dual enrollment courses.

• Students must achieve a minimum score for reading, writing, and math preparation through submission of appropriate placement test scores pursuant to Rule 6A-14.064 and Rule 6A-10.0315 Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). No student shall be enrolled in a college credit course on a dual enrollment basis unless the student has demonstrated adequate preparation through submission of appropriate placement test scores in reading, writing, and math. See Appendix D.

• Program admission requirements/exit requirements for CWE programs and other DE eligible limited access programs. The TABE can be exempted if the student meets cut score on a college placement test (ACT, SAT, PERT, or CPT). Students are responsible for costs for placement and/or exit tests.

• Cannot be scheduled to graduate prior to the completion of the dual enrollment course.

• Students may lose the opportunity to participate in the dual enrollment program if they are disruptive to the learning process. Procedure is outline in NFC’s Student Handbook.

6. A delineation of the high school credit earned for the passage of each dual enrollment course.

Any course that is contained within the common course numbering system shall be eligible if not specifically excluded by Florida Statute, State Board of Education Rule, District Board of Trustees Policy, or District Board or Education Policy. The high school credit awarded may be found in the 2022-2023 Dual Enrollment Course – High School Subject Area Equivalency List which is available at the Florida Department of Education website.

A list of courses available to students through dual enrollment is available at:

• Academic List: https://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/5421/urlt/AcademicList.pdf

The high school guidance office is responsible for dual enrollment students as to the courses which may be used to meet high school graduation requirements.

7. A description of the process for informing students and their parents of college-level course expectations.

The district schools and the College will work collaboratively to notify students and their parents of college-level courses expectations. The College requires all first-time dual enrollment students to attend a Dual Enrollment Orientation Session provided by the College. The College recommends all students be advised by an NFC academic advisor after earning at least 12 credit hours.

The College will inform students and parents of college-level course expectations using the course syllabus which is given to each student in each college-level course at the beginning of each semester. The Office of Academic Affairs shall determine course content in accordance with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission of Colleges (SACSCOC) criteria and select instructional materials. Course materials and class discussions may reflect topics not typically included in secondary courses which some parents may object to for minors. Courses will not be modified to accommodate variations in student age and/or maturity.

8. The policies and procedures, if any, for determining exceptions to the required grade point averages on an individual student basis.

The College does not allow exceptions to the GPA requirement as specified in section 1007.271, Florida Statutes (2021).

9. The registration policies for dual enrollment courses as determined by the postsecondary institution.
Students must complete their registration form with their high school guidance counselor. The form must be completed with all the required information about course reference numbers (CRNs). The completed registration forms will be given to the Dual Enrollment Coordinator who will register the students for the courses that are available at the time the form is received. Students with incomplete applications for admissions, which include all required signatures, will not be allowed to register. Students will also not be registered if they are missing any other pertinent information, such as test scores. The deadline for qualifying scores for fall term is August 1. The deadline for qualifying scores for spring term is December 1. It is the responsibility of the high school to ensure that all student registrations and test scores are in the Office of Dual Enrollment prior to the published registration period. 2022-2023 registration deadlines are available on the College website.

The student should confirm registration by logging into their MyNFC account and checking their current registration in Banner.

The complete Academic Calendar can be found on the NFC website:
https://www.nfc.edu/current-students/academic-calendar/

A student may not be registered in one course and attend another course. Assuming valid reasons for a change from the course for which the student registered, the Drop/Add Form must be processed to reflect the actual situation; such paperwork must be processed immediately, not at the end of the term. Dual enrollment courses may be taken at the College or at the high school site or any site where college courses are taught, subject to approval by the high school guidance counselor.

10. Exceptions, if any, to the professional rules, guidelines, and expectations stated in the faculty or adjunct faculty handbook for the postsecondary institution.

   The College does not make any exceptions to rules, guidelines, or expectations for faculty members.

11. Exceptions, if any, to the rules, guidelines, and expectations stated in the student handbook of the postsecondary institution which apply to faculty members.

   The College student handbook does not state any exception to rules, guidelines, or expectations for faculty members.

12. The responsibilities of the school district regarding the determination of student eligibility before participating in the dual enrollment program and the monitoring of student performance while participating in the dual enrollment program.
The high school will designate an individual responsible for serving as the contact person for dual enrollment. The high school will be responsible for the following administrative tasks:

- Identifying students who may be eligible for and benefit from dual enrollment.
- Verifying that the student is eligible to register for dual enrollment courses on the basis of documented placement test scores, high school GPA, and readiness for college.
- Ensuring that the student registrations are in the Office of Dual Enrollment in accordance with the published registration period.
- Assuring reasonable access to schools and students by College personnel for purposes of program information and dissemination.
- Providing staff to assist College personnel with facilities and requested instructional equipment.
- Responding to requests for transcripts for dual enrollment students in a timely manner.
- Providing students access to College adopted textbooks and instructional materials.
- Adhering to the College calendar. (Appendix B)

The evaluation of students and the assigning of grades are the prerogatives and responsibilities of the faculty member assigned to teach the class in which the students are enrolled. The method for determining the final course grade, including activities to be graded and their respective weighting shall be specified in the course syllabus and distributed to the student. Any unavoidable changes to the grading policies in the syllabus must be communicated in writing to each student in the course. Instructors may assign only those grades specified in the catalog. The instructor of record must assign all grades in a given course.

All faculty at the College send “early alerts” to academic advisors two times a semester when students are underperforming in class. The Dual Enrollment Coordinator will send the student and the high school guidance office a copy of the unsatisfactory performance notice. If more information is needed, the Dual Enrollment Coordinator will contact the instructor.

If an emergency prevents the instructor from assigning final grades, the College department chair using original student records, course syllabus, and other appropriate information will assign final grades. Under such circumstances, a written explanation of the situation will be attached to the final grade roster.

A student who earns a grade of D, F, or WF will not be able to register the following semester. After one semester “sit out,” the student may register with the approval of the high school counselor or designee. Courses in which a grade of D, F, or WF is earned may be repeated one time for grade forgiveness if approved by the high school counselor or designee and if the college GPA is 2.0 or higher. All grades, including those forgiven, will remain on the College transcript and may be used for admissions and financial aid eligibility.

If a dual enrolled student withdraws from a college credit course and received the grade of "W," the high school guidance counselor or designee makes the determination whether or not the student registers the next term. Any student receiving a "W" grade in a course may repeat the course with the approval of the high school counselor or designee. Student are ineligible for dual enrollment if the college GPA is below 2.0 or unweighted high school GPA is below 3.0.

All grades, including “W” grades for withdrawal, count as course attempts and become part of the student’s college transcript; they may affect subsequent postsecondary admission and financial aid. As dual enrolled, the student is limited to two attempts per course.

Eligible secondary students are entitled to participate in dual enrollment for a maximum of 70 credit hours. Students requesting to dual enroll in excess of 70 credit hours will be required to submit a written request to the Dean of Academic Affairs. The decision of the Dean is final.

Regular and consistent attendance facilitates student success. Absences beyond the equivalent of two weeks of class are considered to be excessive and may impact a student’s course grade. Typically, two weeks of class would be four class meetings for a three-credit hour course on MW or TR. There are no “excused” absences. An absence is an absence, and students are responsible for material covered during their absence. In addition, if there is no verifiable participation within the first week of the term, the student will be dropped from the class for nonattendance. This includes all methods of delivery. CWE programs may have specific attendance policies. See course syllabi for specific information.

13. The responsibilities of the postsecondary institution regarding the transmission of student grades in dual enrollment courses to the school district.

The College will maintain official student records in the Office of the Registrar. The Office of Dual Enrollment will send student letter grades to the high school guidance office within ten (10) days of the last class day of the College term. This letter grade shall be posted to the high school transcript, section 1007.271(20), Florida Statutes (2021).

The College and School Board shall jointly assume responsibility for the implementation and enforcement of any rights and responsibilities that arise by the creation, maintenance, and use of any “records” and “reports” regarding any high school students enrolled in accordance with all applicable laws, including but not limited to section 1002.22, Florida Statutes (2021). Each shall be responsible for “records” and “reports” maintained, housed, or stored by the respective institutions.

14. A funding provision that delineates costs incurred by each entity.
Any institutional responsibilities for student transportation, if provided.

The student, the parents of said student, or the School Board shall provide transportation.

16. For students with disabilities, a postsecondary institution eligible to participate in dual enrollment pursuant to s. 1011.62(1)(i) shall include in its dual enrollment articulation agreement, services and resources that are available to students with disabilities who register in a dual enrollment course at the eligible institution.

• The school guidance counselor or designee will ensure that qualified students with disabilities (including those who have Individual Education Plans or 504 Plans) are provided information about the dual enrollment program. The School District understands that the accommodations and modifications provided to the student under the IEP are not automatically provided in the postsecondary setting. The College cannot be held to the decisions of the IEP Committee. The College has a separate procedure for approving accommodations for students with disabilities. The school will refer the student and his/her parents to the Disability Resource Center on the College main campus and will provide copies of relevant documentation to the College. This contract serves as a release of information. IEP’s may not be sufficient evidence. The School Board is responsible for all student testing to determine disabilities. Accommodations from the college will proceed upon completion of the intake with the parent and student and receipt of appropriate records.

• Accommodation provisions will be individually determined by the College according to Florida Statute and Florida Administrative Codes. The College agrees to arrange and provide accommodations for dual enrolled students receiving instruction at the College campus or one of its extension locations. The School District agrees to arrange and provide accommodations for dual enrolled students receiving instruction on the high school campus. The high school guidance counselor will ensure that the College determinations are followed at the high school campus. The School District is responsible to ensure that the student receives all accommodations determined by the College. If a high school student has a dedicated, paid staff member as an aid/assistant, the School District agrees to send that staff member with the student to the College classes. The College does not provide personal care attendants for students. Situations not covered by the above agreement will be discussed and decided on a case by case basis between the parties. NFC Disability Resource Center (DRC) 850-973-9403.