

IV. Instruction

C. Academic Progress

3. Dual and Concurrent Enrollment Program

A. Policy Statement

This policy is established to comply with the requirements of R.I.G.L. 16-100-3 (a) & 16 100-4 (Dual Enrollment Opportunity Act).

B. Purpose

The purpose of the Dual and Concurrent Enrollment Program is to provide Narragansett High School students with the opportunity to enroll in public postsecondary education courses both at Narragansett High School and at the postsecondary institution to satisfy academic coursework requirements in high school and earn credits at a public postsecondary institution. This policy is intended to expand student access to postsecondary coursework and is not intended to preempt existing agreements or to prevent future agreements between the Narragansett School System and Rhode Island's public postsecondary institutions.

C. Definitions

1. **Concurrent Enrollment:** A student is enrolled in established courses, career and technical center programs, or nationally recognized courses that earn college credit (Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate) taught by Narragansett School System staff for which the student can earn high school and post-secondary credit.
2. **Dual Enrollment:** A student is enrolled at Narragansett High School while simultaneously enrolled part-time or full-time as a non-matriculating student at a Public Postsecondary Institution.
3. **Public Postsecondary Institution:** Any of Rhode Island's public institutions of higher education.

D. Eligibility

1. All Narragansett High School students are eligible to participate in dual and concurrent enrollment courses, subject to availability and the other conditions set forth in this section.
2. Concurrent enrollment courses will count toward the student's coursework graduation requirements if the student complies with all Narragansett High School policies, including but not limited to those concerning grading, attendance, and conduct, and successfully completes the course.
3. Dual enrollment courses will count toward a student's high school coursework graduation requirements if the student complies with the postsecondary institution's course polices and successfully completes the course.

E. Grading and Course Credit

1. Grading for concurrent enrollment courses will be in accordance with Narragansett High School's grading policy. Grading for dual enrollment courses will be in accordance with the Public Postsecondary

Institution's grading policy. A record of all courses and grades will be included on the student's transcript.

2. All earned credits, provided the courses are equivalent to Narragansett High School required courses, will count toward a Narragansett High School diploma. Courses will be weighted in accordance with the guidelines set forth in the Narragansett High School Program of Studies.

F. Implementation

1. The Narragansett High School Administrators, Guidance staff and the Graduation by Proficiency Coordinator will ensure that students, staff, and parents/legal guardians are provided information regarding the local Dual and Concurrent Enrollment policy. Opportunities and guidelines, including potential benefits and consequences for students participating in dual and concurrent enrollment courses, will be published in the Narragansett High School Program of Studies.
2. Narragansett School System staff will work with the assigned staff at the public postsecondary institution to oversee the enrollment of students in dual and concurrent enrollment courses.
3. The Narragansett School System will make available to students and families information about articulation agreements with higher education institutions outside those covered by the state policy.
4. The Narragansett School System will encourage participation of underserved populations in this program.
5. The Narragansett School System will encourage and support staff who wish to teach concurrent and advanced placement courses, and inform them of qualifications required to teach these courses.

G. Accommodations

1. For concurrent enrollment courses, the Narragansett School System is responsible for providing students with disabilities the protections, services and accommodations as prescribed by federal and state law.
2. For dual enrollment courses, the Narragansett School System will not be responsible for providing any accommodations. Those that are required will be provided by the Public Postsecondary Institution.

H. Financial Responsibility

1. Unless specifically provided for in the Narragansett School System budget, all costs associated with dual and concurrent enrollment courses are the responsibility of students and their families. Funding from the State of Rhode Island may or may not be available to defray these costs.
2. The Narragansett School System will ensure the participation of students receiving free or reduced lunch by providing assistance in identifying funding sources.
3. The Narragansett School System will not provide transportation to public postsecondary institutions.

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