



Dual Credit Policy



Dual Credit Definition:

- Dual credit is a form of coursework that allows students to receive high school and college credit through college classes with a partnered community college, junior college, or university. Meadow ISD has partnered with South Plains College to offer this program to our students.

Qualification Criteria:

- Students may not appear on the high school failure list in their 9th or 10th grade years TWO or more times combined in a core academic class (English, math, science, social studies, or Spanish). If a student is on the failure list two or more times total during their 9th and 10th grade year, the student **WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE** to enroll in any dual-credit college course as a Junior or as a Senior.
- Meadow ISD students must be labeled as “college ready” to participate in Dual Credit Courses
 - The following table shows how a student can be deemed college ready

SAT	ACT	TSI 2.0
EBRW – 480	English – 19	Math – 950 OR 910 + 6 Diagnostic
Math – 530	Math – 19	ELAR (Reading & Writing) 945 + 5 Essay
	AND Composite – 23	OR 910 + 5 Essay + 5 Diagnostic

Academic Success

- Academic success must be maintained for a student to continue in the Meadow ISD dual credit program. The following are for failure to maintain academic success
 - If a student is taking dual credit courses in one semester and fails to complete any assigned courses with at least a **70**-college average, the student may only take one course the next semester on a one semester probationary period.
 - If a student fails to maintain at least a **70** average for two consecutive semesters the student will not be allowed to take dual credit courses for one calendar year.
- Any student who has lost their eligibility to enroll in such classes and who wishes to formally request an exception to this policy will have to take the following steps:
 - In writing, request a hearing before a review panel consisting of the high school counselor, the High School Principal, and at least one teacher from a core academic field to consider the request. At the hearing the panel will consider the student’s written appeal as well as their personal and academic fitness.
 - The panel, after reviewing all information in the appeal, may:
 - Approve the request
 - Deny the request
 - Approve the request upon condition that the student pay the course out of pocket to South Plains College, which would be refundable at the end of the school term **ONLY** if the course is passed with at least an average of 70.
 - Approve the request and require additional conditions be met; such conditions will be left to the discretion of the panel.
- Any student who does not receive permission to enroll from the Meadow ISD dual credit review panel and who wishes to appeal the decision of the panel, may appeal to the Superintendent, in writing, as to



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specific reasons why the panel's decision ought to be overturned or amended (per the appeal process in the Meadow ISD Student Handbook).

College Class Attendance Guidelines

1. You (the student) will be on time and remain in the classroom the entire period.
2. You (the student) need to **inform** the **facilitator** and the **professor** if you are going to be absent.
3. You (the student) are responsible for getting any missed assignments and notes if you are absent.
4. Meadow ISD will rent you (the student) a **textbook****, but you are responsible for all other materials the professor insist you purchase for the course. (Class codes and any other one-time purchase materials)
5. The facilitator has the right to remove you from class if you are disrupting the education of others in the class. This will lead to review by the Dual Credit committee for continued enrollment in the MISD Dual Credit program.

Dual Credit Financial Responsibility

- It is the responsibility of the student to pay Meadow ISD for the tuition of the dual credit class. A student will be reimbursed the cost of the course only if a student has received a 70 or above, on the college grade scale, in the given Meadow ISD approved classes. If a student is unable to pay for the course, or needs tuition assistance, they must request funds from the Meadow ISD Board of Trustees at their monthly meeting. Students seeking tuition assistance need to let Mrs. Barclay know in a timely fashion. Failure to pay can lead to removal from the dual credit class and possible disqualification from the Meadow ISD dual credit program.
- If a student with tuition assistance receives a grade of 69 or below, on the college grading scale, the student is responsible for the repayment of the fees. A student may not be permitted to enroll in another course until the amount owed is paid.

Dual Credit Courses/College Courses Grades

- Dual credit is considered an advanced measures class and is calculated at a plus 15 according to Meadow ISD policy. A student will receive a numerical grade on their transcript that reflects the actual grade in the college course. The additional credit will be calculated by the Meadow ISD student management system for the purpose of GPA and class rank.
- * **All quizzes, tests, and exams will be taken in class with a facilitator who is a staff member of Meadow ISD.**

Courses not Approved by Meadow ISD

- If a student takes college courses without the consent or knowledge of Meadow ISD, the review panel will meet. Possible outcomes are:
 - Acceptance of the course equivalent for course credit ONLY
 - Acceptance of the course equivalent for course credit and GPA / Rank
 - Deny the use of the course



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Frequently Asked Questions

1. **Who is responsible for the content of a course offered for dual credit?**
 - a. The college is responsible for the content.
2. **How much high school credit is earned by a student who takes a college course?**
 - a. The student can earn at least one-half credit toward a high school course for a one-semester college course. The student may earn a full credit for a one-semester college course if the district determines that the student has had an opportunity to demonstrate mastery of the TEKS for an entire one-credit course.
3. **Who is responsible for determining what credit(s) are earned by the student?**
 - a. The college is responsible for the college course material and awards the college credit upon successful completion of the course. The high school is responsible for determining the equivalent high school credit that will be awarded for the college course.
4. **Who awards grades in courses for dual credit?**
 - a. Grades are assigned by the college professor. If the college awards only letter grades, an appropriate scale should be established and included in the written agreement.
5. **Are grades in courses for dual credit weighted when calculating the student's high school grade point average (GPA)?**
 - a. All grading decisions, including those affecting GPA, are made according to local school board policy.
6. **When does a college transcript the credits earned by a student?**
 - a. College credit will be recorded on the student's academic transcript after final grades are given to Meadow ISD from the college.
7. **When will students be reimbursed for tuition?**
 - a. Students will be reimbursed in January and June for college classes that were passed with at least a 70 on the college grading scale.



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Dual Credit Agreement

I, _____ (parent or guardian), and _____ (student's name) agree to the Meadow ISD dual credit policy. With the four-day week, my student will plan accordingly to ensure that all the course content is completed in a timely manner, and that my student will contact the facilitator if they miss class.

Parent Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date

SPC Username: _____

Password: _____