Eagle Ridge Academy

PSEO Guidelines and Information

Postsecondary Enrollment Options

Postsecondary Enrollment Options (PSEO) is a program that allows 10th-, 11th- and 12th-grade students to earn both high school and college credit while still in high school, through enrollment in and successful completion of college-level courses at eligible participating postsecondary institutions. Most PSEO courses are offered on the campus of the postsecondary institution; some courses are offered online. Each participating college or university sets its own requirements for enrollment into the PSEO courses. Eleventh and 12th-grade students may take PSEO courses on a full- or part-time basis; 10th graders may take one career/technical PSEO course. If they earn at least a grade of C in that class, they may take additional CTE PSEO courses. There is no charge to PSEO students for tuition, books or fees for items that are required to participate in a course.

Please click the link below for the Minnesota Department of Education's PSEO website.

https://education.mn.gov/MDE/dse/ccs/pseo/

How to become a PSEO Student:

- 1. Complete the <u>NOSR Form (Notice of Student Registration)</u> Part 1 by May 30th. Give or email the form to the ERA academic and college counselor to complete Part 2. Once returned via ERA student email as a pdf, submit the NOSR to the college to complete Part 3.
- 2. Follow the **PSEO APPLICATION** directions found on the college's website.
- 3. You will be notified by the college you have applied to whether you have been accepted or denied. Students will not be accepted until all paperwork listed by the college has been submitted.
- 4. Complete the PSEO Orientation through the college and visit with your PSEO college advisor to discuss registration options.
- 5. Complete the <u>ERA PSEO Registration</u>. Meet with the Eagle Ridge Academy academic and college counselor to discuss appropriate college classes and to adjust your Eagle Ridge Academy schedule.
- 6. Students will be registered as full-time Eagle Ridge Academy students until they meet with the academic and college counselor to adjust their schedule.
- 7. The deadline to inform Eagle Ridge Academy regarding the intent to enroll in PSEO is May 30th.
- 8. The academic and college counselor's office has limited hours in the summer. Please plan accordingly by being prepared with the <u>Eagle Ridge Academy PSEO Registration</u> form completed to the academic and college counselor prior to May 30th.

Points to Consider:

- Students may participate as a full-time or part-time student, but must meet ERA requirements for graduation.
- College calendars may differ from the Eagle Ridge Academy calendar, which means there can be overlap in terms/semesters.
- PSEO students may participate in Eagle Ridge Academy co-curricular activities, dances, etc.
- Some colleges prefer to see Advanced Placement classes on the applicant's transcript, rather than PSEO classes.
- It is the student's responsibility to obtain announcements, graduation materials, etc.
- The exact grade assigned by the college is transferred to the Eagle Ridge Academy transcript. For most colleges, a 4 credit college course is equal to 1 high school credit.
- The Pass/No Credit and Drop Policies are followed according to the college's handbook.
- Students need a <u>NOSR enrollment form</u> filled out prior to each semester and submitted to the college by their deadline.
- PSEO class grades are not weighted at Eagle Ridge Academy. The courses will appear on the student's transcript and will be a part of the student's GPA. The standard 4.0 GPA scale listed in the student handbook will be used.
- Eagle Ridge Academy will allow a PSEO student reasonable access to the high school building, computers and/or other technology resources during regular school hours. It is the student's responsibility to either request a prior excused absence for PSEO purposes through the ERA academic and college counselor, or report to and remain in the designated PSEO study area during scheduled periods. For questions regarding this, please contact the school's academic and college counselor.

Typical Credit Options:

Humane Letters 8 credits - Not appropriate for PSEO due to ERA requirements

Math 4 credits:

- Geometry and Algebra II at ERA.
- Typical PSEO Math credits:
 - Introduction to Statistics math elective credit
 - o College Algebra math elective credit
 - o Precalculus math elective credit
 - Calculus 1 math elective credit

Science 4 credits:

- Chemistry and Biology at ERA
- Typical PSEO Science credits:
 - o College Biology science elective credit
 - College Chemistry science elective credit
 - College Physics -science graduation requirement
 - o Environmental Science/Astronomy science elective credit

Foreign Language (must successfully complete Latin 3) 4 credits

- Through Latin III completed at ERA
- Typical PSEO Foreign Language credits:
 - o German, French, Spanish, Japanese language credit

Singleton Courses 2.5 credits

- Logic, Rhetoric, Eastern Thought, & Healthy Living at ERA
- Typical PSEO Singleton credit:
 - o Economics (macro) economics credit

Art History 1 credit

- Most students take at ERA
- Not offered at all PSEO Institutions but some have taken it as PSEO

Fine Arts 1 credit

 Most students take at ERA but can be done through PSEO. Many require being on campus, so please be careful of that possibility.

Elective Courses 1.5 credits

 Students should visit with their PSEO college advisor regarding meeting the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum