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DAVIDSON COUNTY SCHOOLS

Career and College Promise
Commitment and Agreement
2024-2025

Student Name _____School _____High School ID_____

Students in Davidson County Schools who demonstrate ability to be successful in college level courses may be afforded opportunities to enroll in these courses. Policies and procedures for community colleges vary drastically from those at the high school level. Therefore, it is important to note that Davidson County Schools students who enroll in community college courses will be governed by the policies and procedures for Davidson County Schools for course enrollment and withdrawals. While these courses provide great opportunities for our students, it is imperative to note that students remain the responsibility of Davidson County Schools. The following outlines the expectations for students who are approved to enroll in community college courses:

- Students will be enrolled in community college courses by their high school's administration. A student may not directly enroll, drop or change a class with community college staff.
- Students who wish to drop a community college class must do so within the first 5 days of the college term. The student will then be enrolled in a course at their high school. If a student fails to report a dropped course to his/her high school administration, it is possible that the student may not meet requirements to earn a high school diploma. It is imperative that the student communicate with the high school administration regarding dropping community college courses.
- Students who drop a college course after the first 5 days of the college term will be held to the same procedure for high school courses dropped after the first 5 school days:
    - If the student has finished a course(s) within the semester, the student will receive credit for that course(s).
    - For the dropped course(s), a failing grade of WF will be recorded for the quarter(s) as an indication that the course was dropped.
    - The failing grade (0) for the dropped course(s) will be averaged as part of the student's GPA and class rank and will remain a permanent part of the student's transcript.
    - Students will be assigned to an on-campus course for the remainder of the semester and must attend to avoid consequences as outlined in the school's policy for "skipping" class.
- Students must abide by the community college calendar and teacher's attendance policy.
- Students who do not officially drop a college course but refuse to attend class will be subject to the policy the school has for students who "skip" class. Students will be assigned to an on-campus high school course for the remainder of the semester.
- Students who do not meet the expectations outlined in this agreement will be disqualified from enrollment in community college courses for the next semester.
- Students are responsible for costs associated with books and other fees at DDCC.
- Courses in the NC Comprehensive Articulation Agreement have an additional weight of 1 point in Grade Point Average calculations.
- While letter grades are issued by the community college (A, B, C, etc.), the NC Department of Public Instruction requires a conversion to a numerical grade for the transcript (A=95, B=85, C=75, D=65.)
- Students understand that if their GPA is not 2.0 or higher they will be placed on academic probation. This could impact college acceptance and financial aid eligibility.
- Students taking face-to-face courses must have their own daily transportation.

GENERAL EXPECTATIONS

Expectations for participating in a CCP opportunity have been explained to me. I believe it will meet my educational needs. Upon successful completion of an online course(s) my grade in the course will become a part of my transcript just like a traditional face-to-face course. I understand that I can receive coaching, progress monitoring, and support with navigation of the online learning platform from my school's Student Advancement Coach. I further understand I must adhere to all state and district testing requirements (EOC, CTE, etc).

Please initial each of the following to indicate the accuracy of each statement and your acceptance of the expectations.

_____ I have an unweighted GPA of 2.8 or my principal has approved for me to take a CCP course.
_____ I understand that I must log into my course as outlined by the DDCC schedule.
_____ I understand that failure to complete the entire course will result in a zero for the course and affect my GPA.
_____ I understand that I must dedicate the recommended time to my online coursework each day.
_____ I will adhere to Davidson County Schools expectations regarding acceptable use of technology.
_____ I will communicate weekly with my online instructor using the tools offered.
_____ I will maintain expected pace in my online course as described by the course syllabus and complete all course requirements.
_____ I will attend meetings or lab sessions as assigned per my Powerschool schedule.
_____ I will alert the Student Advancement Coach if I am experiencing difficulty in my course.
_____ I will maintain satisfactory attendance, as outlined in the attendance policy of Davidson County Schools.
_____ I will abide by all school rules as outlined in the Student Handbook and the Board Policy of DCS.
_____ I will check my DDCC email daily.

This portion is to be utilized for any student who is taking an **online** course through DDCC during **1st and/or 4th period (or any 1st, 2nd consecutive/3rd, 4th consecutive periods)**. Prior to the parent/guardian(s) completing this form, principals should:

- Ensure that students have the opportunity to work in a lab location at the school if they so choose.
- Ensure that students' DDCC schedules have been explicitly communicated with their parent/guardian(s) in writing.

Location of Student Work for DDCC Online Classes (Please circle one): High School Campus Off campus

Parent/Guardian:

- Your student may work on coursework at a different location such as on the campus of DDCC or off campus. You agree that the student has been given the opportunity to report to or stay at the school during these times but is waiving that opportunity.
- The principal may revoke this opportunity for disciplinary reasons or if the grade in the CCP course falls **below a C** (or principal's discretion).
- Community colleges do not operate on the same schedule (4 period, 90 minute time frame) as Davidson County High Schools. This means there may be gaps in the student's high school schedule and the student's college schedule, resulting in students being unsupervised by school staff.
- Students may have to attend their college classes during weekends, evenings, teacher workdays, holidays, fall and spring breaks, etc.
- Colleges sometimes start and end their semester quarters at different times, meaning students may start classes before the high school semester starts and may end before the high school semester ends.
- I understand that students are only allowed to leave and return to the high school campus during the school day if they are attending face-to-face classes. I understand that their college schedule may vary greatly from their high school schedule and that my student will not be under the supervision of high school staff while traveling to/from and attending college classes.
- I give my permission to release necessary student information to the community college to which they have applied. I also give my child permission to drive to and from classes and as needed for the class and/or activities associated with that class (testing, tutoring, etc).

SIGNATURES

I understand that if the high school courses required for graduation cannot be successfully scheduled with the DDCC course(s) I wish to take, I will not be enrolled in the requested DDCC course(s). I understand and appreciate the opportunity to participate in earning college credits while still a high school student in Davidson County Schools. As such, I agree to the commitments outlined above.

Printed Student Name _____

Student Signature _____ Date _____

I understand that if the high school courses required for graduation cannot be successfully scheduled with the DDCC course(s) my child wishes to take, he/she will not be enrolled in the requested DDCC course(s). I understand and appreciate the opportunity for my child to participate in earning college credits while still a high school student in Davidson County Schools. As such, I agree to the commitments outlined above. I will review my child's schedule(s) as they become available in their Powerschool and StormTrac accounts and, if applicable, as changes are made. I will ask my student to share grades and progress in the course(s) weekly.

Printed Parent/Guardian Name _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Principal Signature_____Date_____