



# CLARKE COUNTY SCHOOLS

Dual Enrollment/Dual Credit for Juniors and  
Seniors

New Graduation Requirements and Diploma  
Options for Class of 2017

# DUAL ENROLLMENT

This program is designed to enable high school students to enroll at Alabama Southern Community College to earn academic or career/technical college credit: Dual Enrollment/Dual Credit for High School Students Program. Dual Enrollment can help high school students jump start their college and/or career through Alabama Southern Community College and/or The University of Alabama. Students who successfully complete dual enrollment courses will save time toward achieving their college or career pathway.

## Dual Enrollment for High School Students

The Dual Enrollment/Dual Credit for High School Students Program allows eligible high school students to enroll in college classes concurrently with high school classes, either on the college campus, at the high school, or taking courses online to receive both high school and college credit once courses have been successfully completed. Through Dual Enrollment/Dual Credit, students can earn  $\frac{1}{2}$  Carnegie Unit for completion of a semester college course.

**CLARKE COUNTY SCHOOLS AND ALABAMA SOUTHERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM**  
**High School Opportunities**

**REQUIREMENTS AND POLICIES FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED IN DUAL CREDIT**

- Students must meet the admission requirements of Alabama Southern.
- Students must have a B average in completed high school courses to enroll in academic courses.
- Students must have a minimum 2.5 GPA to enroll in Career Technical courses.
- Students must be in grade 11 or 12.
- Students must have appropriate scores on the ACT or the COMPASS placement test.
- Students must have written approval from your school's counselor, principal, and the local superintendent of education.
- Students shall take courses at the postsecondary level/college level
- Students must adhere to all college policies on course requirements and attendance.
- Students are permitted to enroll in college courses conducted during school hours, after school hours and during summer terms.
- Students must pay normal tuition, fees per credit hour, textbooks, and materials as required by Alabama Southern unless other resources are available.
- Students must submit a copy of their high school transcript along with the Dual Enrollment application prior to enrollment in each semester he/she plans to participate.
- Transportation for any student receiving instruction at any facility other than the school campus shall be the responsibility of the parents/guardian of such students. The Clarke County Board of Education is not responsible for transportation or its liability.

# The University of Alabama Early College Program

The University of Alabama Early College Program and the Clarke County Schools have an articulation agreement to provide enhanced learning opportunities for qualified students during and after normal class hours through the effective use of the University's programs and resources. The University and the School Board have a policy that allows eligible students to enroll in college-level courses concurrently with high school classes, either at postsecondary institutions or at the high school, in order to earn credits both for a high school diploma and/or postsecondary degree. Requirements and policies for students enrolled in dual enrollment/dual credit at The University of Alabama are as follows:

- The student must have successfully completed the 10<sup>th</sup> grade. Students are no longer eligible to apply after they have completed the fall term of their senior year in high school.
- Students must take **UAEC 200 (2 credit hour Gateway course)** upon acceptance into UA Early College. After students pass this course, they may enroll in courses offered through UA Early College.
- The student must have a "B" (3.0) cumulative grade point average since the 9<sup>th</sup> grade, as defined by applicable School Board policy, in completed high school courses.
- The student must have written approval by the principal and the superintendent of education for the School Board.
- The student must meet the application and entrance requirements established by UA Early College and The University.

## UA Early College Program Continued

- Eligible high school students are permitted to enroll in UA Early College courses conducted during high school hours, after school hours, and during summer terms.
- Six semester credit hours at the University shall equal one credit at the high school level in the same or related subject.
- Payment of the current rate of tuition and fees per credit hour, textbooks and materials, will be the responsibility of the student.
- Students are responsible for knowing policies relative to Dual Enrollment/Dual Credit of colleges/universities to which they plan to transfer credit.
- Student will be responsible for providing computers and other technical access deemed appropriate for participation in online course instruction.
- A mentor is provided to help students. Mentors are former UAEC students, as well as they are current UA students.

# Alabama Southern Community College, The University of Alabama, and Clarke County Schools Recommended High School Equivalencies through Dual Enrollment

*Note: One college course is equivalent to ½ credit at the high school level. It is recommended for students to begin dual enrollment as an 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grader.*

•Students who want to enroll in English 101, 102, 271, or 272 must have made a 20 in English on the ACT. Students who want to enroll in Precalculus Algebra 112 or Precalculus Trigonometry 113 must have made a 24 in Math on the ACT.

••Students can only transfer one humanities course. Music Appreciation 100 and Art Appreciation are humanities courses.

Alabama Southern Community College Courses (On-campus courses-each course is equal to 3 credit hours)	The University of Alabama Courses (online courses-each course is equal to 3 credit hours)	Equivalent High School Courses
English 101 and 102*	English 101 and 102	English 11 (1 credit) or 12 (1 credit)
English 271 and 272*	English 209 and 210	English 12 (1 credit)
Biology 103 and 104	Biology 108 and 109 (non-majors) Biology for Majors 114 and 116	AP Biology (1 credit)
Precalculus Algebra 112 and Precalculus Trigonometry 113*	Precalculus Algebra 112 and Precalculus Trigonometry 113*	Advanced Math (1 credit)
World History 121 and 122	Western Civilization 101 and 102	History (1 credit)
American History 201 and 202	American Civilization 203 and 204	History (1 credit)
General Psychology 200	Psychology 101	½ credit elective
	Gateway Class (UAEC 200) 2 credit hours-Prerequisite to all courses taken through UAEC	This course is recommended for students who have successfully completed the 10 <sup>th</sup> grade. Course may be taken in the summer prior to beginning the 11 <sup>th</sup> grade.
Music Appreciation 100** (also offered as an online course)		½ elective credit
Art Appreciation 100**		½ elective credit
Economics 231 (also offered as an online course)		Economics(½ credit)

\*Students who enroll in UA math courses must take a math placement test to determine which math course is appropriate to begin.



**Alabama Southern Community College and Clarke County Schools**  
**Career Technical Programs**

Career Technical programs are offered through Alabama Southern Community College. These programs include Business Technology, Construction Electricity, Engineering Technology, Machine Technology, Paper and Chemical Technology, and Welding.

*Note: One college course is equivalent to ½ credit at the high school level. It is recommended for students to begin dual enrollment as an 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grader.*

Alabama Southern Community College Courses (On-campus courses-each course is equal to 3 credit hours)	Equivalent High School Courses
Spreadsheet Software Applications or Business Communications and Microcomputer Applications	BTA Advanced (1 credit)
Multimedia for the World Wide Web and Introduction to Web Development	Multimedia Design (1 credit)
Personal Development or Business Communications and Principles of Management	Management Principles (1 credit)
Principles of Accounting I and Principles of Accounting II	Advanced Accounting (1 credit)
AC Fundamentals and Wiring I Commercial and Industrial	Alternating Current (1 credit)
DC Fundamentals and Principles of Electricity	Direct Current (1 credit)

*\*More courses will be provided through Career Technical at ASCC for students to earn High School credit(s).*

# Costs for Dual Enrollment

	Alabama Southern Community College (Classes can be taken on Campus and/or Online)	University of Alabama Distance Learner (Online)
Current Tuition per credit hour (Online)	\$136	\$144
3 Credit hour Online Course	\$408 (On campus) + textbook(s) and fees	\$432 (On campus) + textbook(s) and fees
Current Tuition for courses per credit hour	\$138	
3 Credit Hour Course on Campus	\$414 (On campus) + textbook(s) and fees	



# How do I enroll in dual enrollment?

## Alabama Southern Community College ([www.ascc.edu](http://www.ascc.edu))

- Check with your high school counselor to make sure you qualify for dual enrollment.
- Complete the application for admission for dual enrollment/dual credit program.

## UA Early College Program (UAEC)([uaearlycollege.ua.edu](http://uaearlycollege.ua.edu))

- Check with your high school counselor to make sure you qualify for dual enrollment
- Go to [uaearlycollege.ua.edu](http://uaearlycollege.ua.edu) to complete....
- Online application
- Complete Academic Planning Guide
- Watch for an email about your acceptance
- Approximately 10 days after application deadline, pay for UAEC 200 Gateway class
- Hold the date to attend your “first class session of UAEC 200 Gateway class”. Student and parent/guardian, participate in the “first day of UAEC Gateway class”. Course lasts about 4 weeks.

# Early Graduation Guidelines

Students may graduate early from Clarke County Schools by meeting all requirements for an Alabama High School Diploma as described in the Alabama Administrative Code 290-030-010-6 (11) and when the conditions listed below are met.

- The High School Early Exit application form must be completed and on file at the school. Students must submit their intent to graduate early in writing to the high school principal. The student must complete the form by the end of the junior year and return it to their counselor. Application forms are available from high school counselors or online at [www.clarkecountyschools.org](http://www.clarkecountyschools.org).
- The student must meet all graduation requirements, including passing all parts of the State Assessment as directed.
- Students who plan to graduate early will not be given preferential treatment in registration and course selection.
- Students who plan to accelerate their program of studies for the purpose of early graduation may do so if space is available in classes after grade level students have completed registration.
- Students who complete graduation requirements early will not be permitted to remain at school during the regular school day. However, they may return for senior activities and after school activities provided they remain in good standing with the school and follow the local school procedures for returning to the campus.
- A student must be a full time student to be eligible to participate in extracurricular activities. Therefore, a student who graduates early will not be eligible for extracurricular activities.
- Students who complete graduation requirements early will receive their diploma at the regularly scheduled graduation ceremony.

# Early Graduation Guidelines Continued

The student must have completed all coursework through one or a combination of the following methods:

- Dual enrollment with Alabama Southern Community College, the University of Alabama, or any other institution with whom the Board of Education has a dual enrollment agreement.
- Courses on the high school campus during the regular school day.

The student must provide to the counselor one of the following documents before exiting high school:

- Letter of acceptance to a postsecondary institution,
- Letter of acceptance to the military, or
- Letter from employer verifying employment in the workplace.

The following guidelines should be considered as students and parents consider the High School Early Exit opportunity.

- Following the completion of the High School Early Exit application form, the student will be considered an alumnus, and therefore, will not be permitted to participate in any extracurricular activities, with the following exceptions: prom, senior honors program, and graduation ceremonies. Early Exit students, who change their mind about exiting early after the first 10 days of the school year, will have to petition a school-based committee for approval to remain through May. Early Exit students may not re-enroll in high school.

# Early Release

## Early Release Program

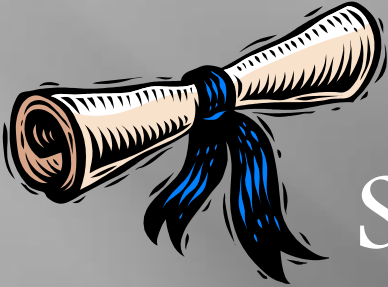
An 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade student may be released from school during the school day and participate in the Early Release Program if he/she meets the following guidelines:

1. The student must be in an approved Technical Education Training Program or a Marketing Education Coop Program: OR
2. The student must be enrolled in the Dual Enrollment Program and his/her college course must be taken on the college campus or at the high school campus during the hours of 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P. M.
3. Prior to approval, a review of the student's transcript must be conducted with the student and parent(s)/guardian(s) by Principal/Counselor.
4. The parent(s)/guardian(s) and Principal must sign the early release form.



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# Graduation Requirements and Diploma Options for Class of 2017 SESSION OUTCOMES



Participants will:

- Become acquainted with requirements for Alabama's new high school diploma
- Become aware of course pathways to obtaining the new diploma
- Receive answers to your questions concerning the new diploma

# Alabama High School Minimum Graduation Requirements DIPLOMA

AREAS OF STUDY	REQUIREMENTS	CREDITS
English Language Arts	English 9, 10, 11, and 12 or any AP/IB/postsecondary equivalent option of these courses	4
Mathematics	Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II w/ Trig or Algebra II, or their equivalent. Additional course(s) to complete the four credits in mathematics must be chosen from the <i>Alabama Course of Study: Mathematics</i> or CTE/AP/IB/postsecondary equivalent courses.	4
Science	Biology and a physical science The third and fourth science credits may be used to meet both the science and CTE course requirement and must be chosen from the <i>Alabama Course of Study: Science</i> or CTE/AP/IB/postsecondary equivalent courses	4
Social Studies	World History, U.S. History x 2, and Government/Economics or AP/IB/postsecondary equivalent courses.	4
Physical Education	LIFE (Personal Fitness) One JROTC credit may be used to meet this requirement	1
Health Education	<i>Alabama Course of Study: Health Education</i>	0.5
Career Preparedness	Career Preparedness Course (Career and Academic Planning, Computer Applications, Financial Literacy)	1
CTE and/or Foreign Language and/or Arts Education	Students choosing CTE, Arts Education, and/or Foreign Language are encouraged to complete two courses in sequence.	3
Electives		2.5
<b>Total Credits Required for Graduation</b>		<b>24</b>

This one approach to the Alabama High School Diploma removes the need for endorsements or the Alabama Occupational Diploma. The focus will be on the coursework taken that necessitates a clearly articulated and individualized four-year high school plan built for each student based on the results from the EXPLORE academic and career interest assessment and middle school coursework.



# DIPLOMA OVERVIEW

## Elements That Are Different

Computer Applications

No longer required

Foreign Languages

No longer required

Arts Education

No longer required

Career Preparedness

**Required (New)**

CTE/ Arts/ Foreign Languages

Required w/ options (New)

# CAREER PREPAREDNESS

- ▣ Career Preparedness Course (Career and Academic Planning, Computer Applications, Financial Literacy)
- ▣ This is a new course that is required in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade.

# ELECTIVES

- ▣ Required areas for offerings:
  - Foreign Languages\*
  - Fine Arts\*
  - Physical Education\*
  - Wellness Education\*(Health)
  - Career/Technical Education\*
  - Career Preparedness Course\*
  - Driver Education\*\*

\*Code of Alabama

\*\*Alabama Administrative Code

# Kuder Navigator Program

- Students in grades 6–12 will have access to this comprehensive education and training tool.
- Available “**free of charge**” to educators, parents, and students at [www.alcareerinfo.org](http://www.alcareerinfo.org)
- Find links between students interests and aptitudes, start planning your classes, explore careers, and research postsecondary options.
- Great opportunity to plan for and find the right career.
- Utilize information from the **EXPLORE** taken in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade and **PLAN** in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade to guide you into college and career readiness.
- Additional segment added to the Kuder Program is a Connect2Business link. This will allow students to connect to local business and industry partners for job-shadowing experiences, internships, and possible employment after high school...and much more.

# Clarke County Schools

## (Minimum Graduation Requirements for Class of 2017)

Diploma Options	Alabama High School Diploma (Standard Diploma) (Any level, all subjects: regular or honors)	Alabama High School Diploma (Standard Diploma) with Career Technical Endorsement (Standard diploma with 3 Career Technical courses- 2 of 3 must be in sequence)	Alabama High School Diploma (Standard Diploma) with Advanced Academic Endorsement (Standard diploma with honors courses-3 of 4 Academic courses must be Honors courses.)
<b>Total Credits</b>	28	28	28
<b>4 English credits</b>	English 9, 10, 11, 12	English 9, 10, 11, 12	English 9, 10, 11, 12, Honors
<b>4 Math credits</b>	Algebra 1A & 1B Geometry Algebra II or Algebra II with Trig. Other math elective chosen from the Alabama Course of Study: Mathematics	Algebra 1A & 1B Geometry Algebra II or Algebra II with Trig.) Other math elective chosen from the Alabama Course of Study: Mathematics	Algebra 1A & 1B or Algebra 1, Honors Geometry, Honors Algebra II with Trig., required Precalculus Calculus Other math elective chosen from the Alabama Course of Study: Mathematics
<b>4 Social Studies credits</b>	World History US History 1 US History 2 Government/Economics	World History US History 1 US History 2 Government/Economics	World History, Honors US History 1, Honors US History 2, Honors Government/Economics, Honors
<b>4 Science credits</b>	Biology Physical Science or Chemistry 2 other sciences (any appropriate level)	Biology Physical Science or Chemistry 2 other sciences (any appropriate level)	Biology, Honors Chemistry 2 other sciences (any appropriate level)
<b>2 Foreign Language credits</b>	Not required for standard diploma but is recommended for students planning to attend a four year college or university	Not required for standard diploma but is recommended for students planning to attend a four year college or university	Not required for standard diploma but is recommended for advanced academic endorsement.
<b>1 Physical Education credit</b>	LIFE (Personal Fitness) or Athletics	LIFE (Personal Fitness) or Athletics	LIFE (Personal Fitness) or Athletics
<b>½ (.5) Health credit</b>	Required	Required	Required
<b>1 Career Preparedness credit</b>	Required in 9 <sup>th</sup> grade	Required in 9 <sup>th</sup> grade	Required in 9 <sup>th</sup> grade
<b>CTE and/or other electives Students must take 7 ½ to 9 ½ elective credits based on their diploma and type of endorsement</b>	Students choosing Career Technical Education (CTE) courses are encouraged to complete two courses in sequence.	Students choosing Career Technical Education (CTE) courses are encouraged to complete two courses in sequence.	Students choosing Career Technical Education (CTE) courses are encouraged to complete two courses in sequence.
<b>Community Service</b>	Not Required	Not Required	20 hours required each year or 80 hours cumulative in high school

# COURSE SEQUENCES

*refer to AHSD Requirements FAQs at [www.alsde.edu](http://www.alsde.edu)*

- 2 Foreign Language courses (same language) and 1 CTE course or 1 Arts Education course = 3
- 3 CTE courses and no Foreign Language course and no Arts Education course = 3
- 2 CTE courses and 1 Foreign Language course or 1 Arts Education course = 3
- The 3 elective credits listed is the minimum required by the state. The Clarke County School System requires students to take 7 ½ to 9 ½ elective credits in their high school career.

CTE (Career Technical Education)

AND/OR

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

AND/OR

ARTS EDUCATION

- ▣ Students choosing CTE, Foreign Language, and/or Arts Education are encouraged to complete two courses in sequence.



## CLARKE COUNTY SCHOOLS DIPLOMA DECLARATION FORM

Beginning in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade, students seeking an Alabama High School Diploma have the opportunity to declare a diploma option/endorsements for completing their high school education. This decision may be changed at any time with parental approval in writing **as long as the student meets the course requirements.**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle School or Transfer School \_\_\_\_\_

After carefully studying your Academic Guide and discussing the options with your counselor, Declare a diploma option by checking the title of your choice, and Sign below to signify that you understand the requirements in the Academic Guide and the information on this form.

Alabama High School Diploma  
(Standard Diploma)  
Endorsement Change

**28 Credits** as described in the Academic Guide  
This selection requires completion of the  
Request Form.

Alabama High School Diploma  
With Advanced Academic Endorsement

**28 Credits** as described in the Academic Guide

Alabama High School Diploma  
With Career Technical Endorsement

**28 Credits** as described in the Academic Guide

Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(required)



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