

Dear Parents/Guardians:

I would like to share with you information regarding the Arizona Western College Early College Program, and the benefits of these classes offered at your child's high school.

Dual enrollment is a bridge between high school and Arizona Western College (AWC). The high school teachers in this program are certified by the college to teach courses to your child with the same level of rigor and expectations as a traditional college course.

Among the many benefits, students in the program receive credits for both high school and college classes without having to physically be on the AWC campus. As with any other high school class, when the student has completed and passed, the student will receive not only high school credits, but will also earn credits from AWC. In addition, since college credits have been earned in high school, students will be able to graduate from college sooner. There are even instances of students graduating from both high school and college at the same time.

There is a fee to participate in the dual credit program. AWC has a special \$25.00 per credit tuition for high school students who want to take college courses; an average college course is three credit hours.

Dual credit opportunities are a new concept and are still being developed, changed, and improved. We look forward to seeing your children take advantage of this program and get a head start on earning their college degrees.

If you have questions or need more information, please feel free to call me at 928-317-6311 or 928-317-6259.

Respectfully,

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