

# Dual Enrollment: Open Campus



Take select Frederick Community College (FCC) courses at FCC or online. Earn your high school diploma and college credits from FCC simultaneously.

High school students in this program take college courses on the FCC campus or online during the day or in the evening. These are college level, credit-bearing courses. Open Campus students receive free tuition and fees at FCC for all courses. FCPS students participating in Open Campus may obtain required textbooks and materials at the FCC bookstore at no cost to the student.

## Frequently Asked Questions:

### What is Dual Enrollment: Open Campus?

Open Campus refers to high school students taking college courses on the FCC campus or through the online program at FCC. Courses may be taken on campus during the school day or in the evening.

### How do I qualify to take a college course on the FCC campus?

Currently enrolled Frederick County high school students who are college and career ready and have an unweighted cumulative GPA of 2.0 may consider dual enrollment. Assessment scores (SAT, ACT, ACCUPLACER, and AP), FCPS final course grades, and/or unweighted GPA may determine college and career readiness. Scores required to enroll in college level, credit-bearing courses are listed in the chart below.

Student must meet one of these options:

Option	English	Math*
ACCUPLACER	Reading: 253 Writing: 263	Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra, and Statistics: 263
ACT	Average score of Reading and Writing tests: 21	21
AP Exam	English Lang/Comp or Lit/Comp: 3 or higher	Calculus AB or BC: 3 or higher
FCPS Course Final Grade	English 10, 11, or combined 10/11 or 12**: A or B AP Lang/Comp or Lit/Comp: A or B	Algebra II or higher*** within the past two years: A or B
FCPS GPA	Unweighted after sophomore or junior year: 3.0	
SAT	Evidence-Based Reading & Writing: 480	530

\*Math exemptions on this chart are for placement into MATH 110,113,101,120,125,127,145. Please contact the Dual Enrollment office for placement requirements for MATH165 or higher. \*\*Eligible for one year after high school graduation. \*\*\*Students who receive an A in FCPS Pre-Calculus are eligible to enroll in FCC MATH185: Calculus I. The Accuplacer is available to students wishing to take FCC MATH185 who did not earn an A in FCPS Pre-Calculus.

### How much does an Open Campus course cost?

Tuition and fees are free for all FCPS students during the fall and spring semesters. Students must pay full tuition prices during the summer semester.

### Is transportation provided for Open Campus courses?

No. Students are responsible for providing their own transportation for Open Campus courses.

### What is the difference between college credit and dual credit?

College credit is awarded upon successful completion of the college course(s). This credit is reflected on the college transcript. Dual credit means that both high school credit and college credit can be earned upon successful completion of a college course. Dual credit is awarded to high school students if the college course meets the curriculum requirements of an approved FCPS high school course. Dual credit is reflected on both the high school transcript and the college transcript.

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## Frequently Asked Questions (Continued):

### How do I enroll in the Open Campus program?

1. Complete an FCPS Dual Enrollment Participation Form provided by your high school and ensure all paperwork is signed by the student, parent(s), and school staff.
2. Complete the online application for the College. Once the FCC student identification number is received, determine the need for placement testing. If exempt from placement testing, submit proof of the exemption to FCC. If not exempt, sit for the ACCUPLACER to determine college readiness.
3. Create password to log in to FCC accounts.
4. Complete Online Orientation.  
All Open Campus Dual Enrollment students are required to complete our comprehensive online orientation.
5. Complete advising.
  - a. Speak with your high school counselor about dual credit opportunities.
  - b. If needed, meet with an FCC academic advisor to select the college course(s).
6. Complete registration for the college course(s). This can be completed online or at Registration & Records at FCC.
7. Your Dual Enrollment waiver for tuition and fees will automatically be applied to your account within a week of registering for your class(es). Courses taken during the summer are NOT eligible for free tuition and fees.
8. Purchase textbooks. Students in open campus may obtain required textbooks and materials at the FCC bookstore at no cost to the student. Students wishing to retain or write in their books and materials may purchase required materials for their own use.

NOTE: If you are a student under the age of 16, you must follow the steps for Students Under 16 Years of Age Advising at [frederick.edu/de-advising](http://frederick.edu/de-advising)

### Can a parent/guardian monitor their student's progress in the college course?

Family Educational Rights Privacy Act (FERPA) applies to all students enrolled in college courses, despite the age of the student. Therefore, communication is only between the student and the college. Students are responsible for monitoring their educational progress through their FCC student account and communication with their instructors. A FERPA waiver is available for students as a way to provide parents the right to communicate with FCC.

### Are Dual Enrollment final course grades weighted on my high school transcript?

Yes, grades earned in Dual Enrollment courses (including High School Based, Open Campus, and Early College) count as weighted grades in your high school GPA, but only for courses for which you elect to receive dual credit.

### What FCC resources are available to students if they are dually enrolled?

A dually enrolled high school student can access all resources available to FCC students (Learning Commons; free tutoring at the Tutoring Center, Writing Center, and STEM Learning Center; Disability Access Services; online databases; online Writing Center).

### Does FCC provide accommodations for FCPS students with an IEP or 504 plan?

Dually enrolled students, including both open campus and high school based students, seeking disability accommodations for FCC courses must request services through the FCC Disability Access Services (DAS) Office. Reasonable accommodations for post-secondary classes are offered to eligible students based on a formal initiation of services request and submission of appropriate disability documentation. Students are required to meet with a disabilities specialist for an intake appointment. This appointment may be scheduled by calling 301.846.2408 or emailing DAS at [disabilityservices@frederick.edu](mailto:disabilityservices@frederick.edu). More information about disability services is available at [frederick.edu/das](http://frederick.edu/das).

## Contact:

If you have questions about any of our offerings or wish to enroll, please visit [frederick.edu/DE](http://frederick.edu/DE), reach out to your school counselor, email us at [dualenrollment@frederick.edu](mailto:dualenrollment@frederick.edu), or contact one of our Dual Enrollment staff members. We look forward to hearing from you!

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