The ABCs of AP[®] and Dual-Credit

What do I need to know when taking these classes?

What is AP[®]?

• AP[®] stands for Advanced Placement and are courses that are offered by The College Board with the possibility of earning college credit. AP[®] teachers must be approved to teach the class and must submit a syllabus that is reviewed and approved by $AP^{\mathbb{B}}$.



AP® Courses offered at G-CHS

- AP[®] Art History
- AP[®] Biology
- AP[®] Calculus AB & BC
- AP[®] Chemistry
- AP[®] Computer
 Science
 Principles
- AP[®] English Language & Composition

- AP[®] European History
- AP[®] Music Theory
- AP[®] Physics 1
- AP[®] Physics 2
- AP[®] Physics C*
- AP[®] Psychology*
- AP[®] Statistics
- AP[®] Studio Art (2D & 3D)*
- AP[®] US History

*Senior year classes

What are dual credit courses?

 Dual credit courses are college classes taught in a high school by a high school teacher. Teachers must have a master's degree in the subject area they teach and be approved by the corresponding department chair at the college or university. Students earn college credit and receive a college transcript.

What dual credit programs are offered at G-CHS ?

- ACP -Advanced College
 Project through Indiana
 University
- CAP -College Achievement Program through the University of Southern Indiana
- Ball State College Transition
 Program
- Ivy Tech Dual Credit

ACP courses offered at G-CHS (Indiana University)

- BIOL-L 100 Biology*
- CHEM-C 101/C121 Chemistry
- W131 Reading, Writing, & Inquiry I
- L202 Literary Interpretation (not offered in 2017-18)

*yearlong class

CAP courses offered at G-CHS (University of Southern Indiana)

- History (HIST)101
- History (HIST) 102
- Combined, these two courses serve as the two US History credits required for an Indiana diploma



Ball State course offered at G-CHS

• Fundamentals of Public Speaking (Comm 210)

Counts as a required English credit for an Indiana diploma

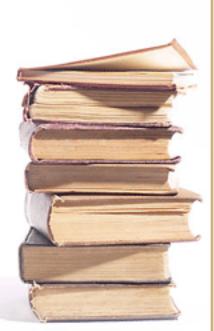


Ivy Tech courses offered at G-CHS

Drawing, Business Law & Ethics, Education Professions, Culinary Arts & Hospitality I, Principles of Marketing, Intro to Adv. Manf. & Logistics, Adv. Manufacturing I, IED, POE, CEA, DE, Biomed Innovations, Honors Spanish III, Spanish IV, Digital Design

How are these programs similar?

- Both AP[®] and ACP/Dualcredit courses allow students the opportunity to earn dual-credit (both high school and college credit).
- Both courses present their material in a college format with college-level expectations for course rigor.

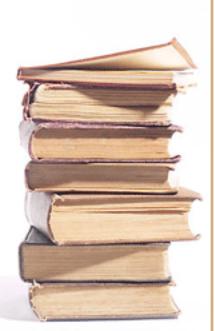


How are these programs different?

- Earning college credit
 - Students in AP[®] courses earn college credit by scoring an acceptable score on the AP[®] exam given in May. Most colleges will award credit if the student earns a 4 or 5 while others will allow credit for a 3.
 - Dual-credit students earn college credit with the grade they earn in the high school course. The credit is transcripted and transferable to other colleges and universities.

How are these programs different?

- Cost
 - This past year, AP[®] exams were \$93 per exam. In the past, the State of Indiana has paid for all math and science exams, as well as the AP[®] English Language exam.
 - Dual-credit courses are billed through the universities at a rate of \$25/credit hour or \$75 for a 3-hour course. Ivy Tech courses are free.



How are these programs different?

- Transferability
 - Most colleges and universities throughout the U.S. recognize AP[®] courses and provide some type of credit for passed exams.
 - Dual-credit course credit is awarded through the sponsoring university. All Indiana public universities will accept course credit if the course is on the CTL (Core Transfer Library). Some private schools may not accept the credit.

AP Exam Information

- Our goal at G-CHS is that students should prepare to earn a 5 on each AP[®] exam taken.
- We will register students for these tests in late February.
- Tests are given during the first two weeks of May.
- Scores are available on-line to students in July.



AP[®] Exam Preparation

- Students should prepare for the exam immediately– this is a college-level course and it "looks" different from any other class a student has taken.
- Students who perform the best on the exams look for outside resources, form study groups, and attack the class and its work from Day 1.



Dual-credit Registration

- Students who take dual-credit classes are university students and must register for the class as an on-campus student would do.
- Dual-credit students receive emails from the university regarding their class(es) so they should create a habit of checking their e-mail regularly.
- Most programs have a GPA or testing requirement to earn credit.

Dual-credit and the College Transcript

 The college credit for dualcredit classes is transcripted by the university, not G-CHS. Students who want to submit their dual-credit classes for credit at another college or university must contact the Registrar's Office and request that it be sent.

Dual-credit and FERPA

• FERPA is the **F**amilies Educational Rights and **P**rivacy **A**ct and guarantees that "Once a student reaches 18 years of age or attends a postsecondary institution, he or she becomes an "eligible student," and all rights formerly given to parents under FERPA transfer to the student."



What does FERPA mean to me if my student is in a dual-credit course?

- Technically, it means the university will ask the student to initiate and maintain contact with the dual-credit office or the Registrar's Office regarding registration and grades.
- The bill, however, will be sent to the home address.

How are the course expectations different for AP® and Dual-credit courses?

- Students can expect fewer assignments so each grade has a greater impact on the final grade.
- Students can also expect to do independent research and learn necessary background information on their own time and without prompting from a teacher.



How are the course expectations different for AP[®] and Dual-credit courses?

- Like a college course, exams and final papers are weighted more heavily than daily work.
- Dual-credit students can be held to the same attendance requirements as on-campus students and could be penalized for missing class – even excused absences.



How are the course expectations different for AP® and Dual-credit courses?

- AP[®] courses are a year-long commitment and counselors and teachers will expect students to stay in the course all year.
- Both types of courses are challenging and your student will probably experience frustration at some point during a semester. Remember, it's a college-level course.

Contact Information for ACP at Indiana University Bandi Russell and Kristal Arsenault Advance College Project Office of the Vice Provost for **Undergraduate Education** 1 (800) 255-7943 419 N. Indiana Ave. | Bloomington, IN 47408

Contact Information for CAP at University of Southern Indiana

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Contact Information for the Ball State College Transition Program

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Contact Information for Ivy Tech's Dual Credit Program

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Contact information for registrars – requesting a transcript

- Ball State <u>my.bsu.edu</u>
- Indiana University Bloomington -<u>www.One.IU.edu</u>.
- Ivy Tech <u>www.ivytech.edu/registrar</u>
- University of Southern Indiana www.usi.edu/registrar/transcripts

Bringing it all together – Family Connection Family Connection allows students and parents to navigate the college search and career exploration processes together along with the student's counselor. It also provides feedback through personality and learning style tests, as well as career interest inventories.

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Students will create accounts that parents may "ghost" by creating their own accounts. Students will log colleges they are considering, as well as the ones they apply to. They will be able to see all available scholarships and receive targeted emails about visits and other college and career related activities.

