

## PSEO Career and Technical—10<sup>th</sup> Grade

A student who is in 10<sup>th</sup> grade and has attained a passing score on the 8<sup>th</sup> grade MCA Reading test (a passing score would be indicated by the term Meets or Exceeds by your score) and meets the other course prerequisites or course enrollment standards established by the college may enroll in one career or technical education course at a MNSCU college. If the student receives a C or better in the course, the student shall be allowed to take additional career or technical education courses in subsequent terms.

Colleges will establish which courses meet the standard of “Career or Technical”. Only these courses would be an option for a 10<sup>th</sup> grade student.

A student who first enrolls under this provision while in 10<sup>th</sup> grade and wishes to enroll in general education courses as an 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade student must take the system Assessment for Course Placement and achieve the required scores prior to enrollment.

Students must provide their own transportation to and from the college and maintain the daily schedule at CPHS. Schedules are adjusted to reduce credits earned at CPHS by the amount of credit being taken at college—students cannot be in 5 classes at CPHS AND attend a college course (more than a full time student).

College schedules and high school schedules do not match; it is challenging to schedule one class at a college and also attend the necessary amount of classes at high school.

Example—a student takes a 3 credit class at NHCC Fall Semester, they would need to be in four classes at CPHS. If the class was only taught at 10:00 am, this would not allow enough time for travel to and from CPHS/NHCC and maintain daily attendance at CPHS. Some courses will be taught as online courses; students could leave the building during the designated PSEO time or be scheduled into the LMC.

Some courses will be available at STEP for 10<sup>th</sup> grade students. These courses would also allow for earning credit at Anoka Technical College.

Local colleges applicable to this option:

- North Hennepin Community College—have identified specific courses

- Anoka Ramsey Community College—have identified specific courses

- Anoka Technical College—most courses are career/technical

- Hennepin Technical College—Brooklyn Park—most courses are career/technical