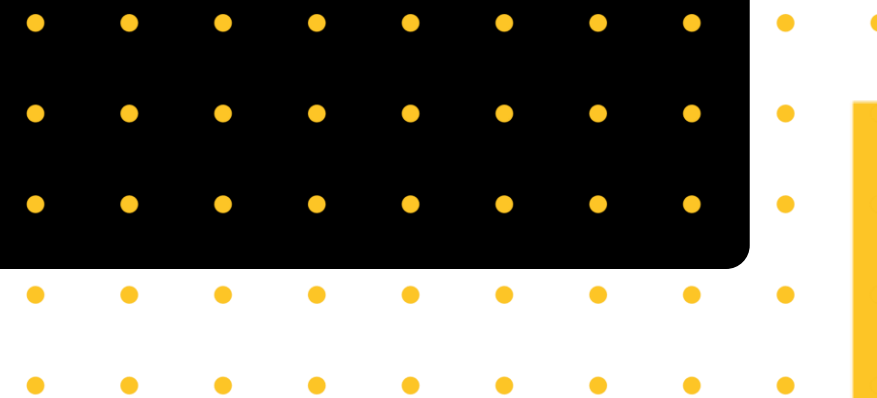




Dual Enrollment

Parent and Student Information Night

Please sign in using the
QR code on the handout!



DE Information



Lassiter Counseling Website



DE Webpage

(includes tonight's presentation and links to
Cobb and Ga DE websites)



What is Dual Enrollment?

- Students take college classes while enrolled in high school
 - *Earn dual credit*
 - *Core classes and some electives are available*
 - *Full time and part time options*
- **State provides funding for tuition, fees and books**
 - Capped at 30 college credit hours (10, 3 hour courses)
- **Available at Georgia Public, Private and Technical Colleges**
 - On campus and online classes
 - Lassiter students are enrolled in classes mainly at Kennesaw State University, Chattahoochee Technical College, GA State University and Georgia Tech.



Who can participate in DE?

10th Graders:

- Can take CTAE classes at a Technical School
- 10th graders who earn a 1200 SAT or 26 ACT (in one sitting) are able to apply to participate in Dual Enrollment programs.

11th and 12th Graders:

- Can take approved dual enrollment courses at an eligible participating postsecondary institution (USG, TCSG or private).
- Male students must register for Selective Services at the age of 18, per federal law, in order to receive Dual Enrollment funds.



Who can participate in DE?

Effective FY 2027 (Summer term 2026 and later)

A student must be a United States Citizen, born or naturalized, or an Eligible Non-Citizen according to the Federal Title IV Regulations, as of the first day of classes of the PSIs term for which aid is sought



Eligible Non-Citizen is a defined term found in Program definitions

- Must be a Permanent Resident with a permanent resident alien card (I-551) or a conditional permanent resident (I-551-C) • Or Arrival-Departure Record (I-94) with “refugee”, “asylum granted”, “parolee” for a minimum of one year and not expired, or “Cuban-Haitian entrant”, Note: Full Eligible Non-Citizen definition available in the State Program Definitions document found on [GSFC.GA.gov](https://gsfc.ga.gov)



Who can participate in DE?

DE Funding Application Changes

- New Required DE Student Application Questions

US Citizenship & Georgia Residency

US Citizenship Status * ?

Select

Select

Yes, I am a US citizen.

I am an eligible non-citizen.

I am not a US citizen or eligible non-citizen.

Georgia Residency Status * ?

Select

Select

I have always lived in Georgia

I moved to Georgia

I do not live in Georgia

Parent Residency Status

Did one or both of your parents claim you on their most recent federal or state tax return? * ?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Yes

☐ No



Pros and Cons of DE

Advantages

- Credit earned for both HS and college
 - Full HS credit earned for 3 hour college course VS .5 credit earned in a semester long HS class
- Low-cost college tuition, fees and books covered
- Can ease college transition
- Allows students to explore potential career interests
- Flexibility in scheduling for full time DE students
- A test does not determine credit given (i.e. AP exams)
- Some students are truly ready to “move on” from the typical high school experience



Pros and Cons of DE

Disadvantages

- Grades are recorded and earned for both HS and college
 - Impact your HS and College GPA
- Transportation and scheduling conflicts
 - Breaks not aligned with Cobb County
- Parking – *must pay at both HS and college, parking at LHS not guaranteed*
- ***Have an alternative LHS parking plan if not selected in lottery***
- May miss Lassiter announcements and activities
- Credit transfer is not a guarantee (do your research!)



Pros and Cons of DE

Disadvantages

- Competitive four-year colleges may not consider DE as rigorous as AP
- May not earn +.5 or +1 Quality Point vs AP
- Challenging courses taught by college professors
 - Fewer grades
 - Professors only communicate with students
 - Professors do not know/care if a student is in HS
 - Failure can impact your Lassiter graduation



Successful DE Students

- **Organized**
- **Motivated**
- **Proactive**
- **Flexible**
- **Resilient**
- **Assertive**
- **Self-advocate**
- **Independent**
- **Responsible**

The application process is a great test!
Students should complete this on their own.

DE students must be able to register, meet deadlines, follow directions, and read all distributed information/emails from college.



Successful DE Students

DE Student/Parent Agreement

- Added a new statement regarding rigorous DE courses:

☐	☐	I understand that Dual Enrollment is designed for high school students who demonstrate college readiness. Participation requires significant commitment, as college courses are rigorous. I recognize that courses will not be modified based on a student's age or maturity and will involve college-level discussions, assignments, and perspectives that may include topics not typically covered in high school, with no alternatives provided.
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Important Information

Special Student Services

- 504s/IEPs
- Must be arranged directly with the college by the student/parent

DE and HOPE

- Academic, degree level courses
 - Given .5 quality point for HOPE GPA
 - Count as “rigor” course for HOPE scholarship
 - Does not count as “attempted credits” for HOPE



Important Information

DE and High School Quality Points

- Extra Quality Points are typically NOT added to Lassiter GPA
- Extra quality points only awarded if...
 - You already took the HIGHEST level course at Lassiter in that subject area
 - The college course is beyond what is offered at the school
 - *Example: English 1102 WOULD get a QP if student has taken AP Lang*
 - *Example: Intro Computer Science would NOT be awarded QP (Equivalent to AP Comp Sci here)*
- This is Cobb County Policy (Form IDCH-1)



Important Information

Maintaining Eligibility

- Student must maintain *Satisfactory Academic Progress* (SAP) at the college and be progressing towards on-time HS graduation
 - Colleges set their SAP differently (KSU is 2.0)
 - Can be withdrawn from the school mid-year/at semester break (2 students removed this Fall)
 - If you fail a course through DE, you cannot receive DE funding for that course again



Important Information

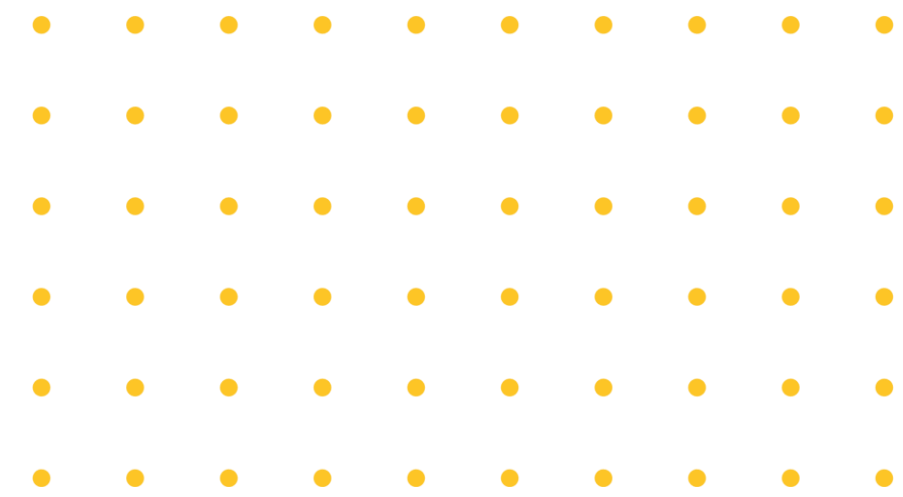
Maintaining Eligibility

- Full-time DE: 12-15 college hours (4-5 classes)
 - Funding is capped at 15 credit hours a semester (30 hours total)
- Part-time DE: enrolled in courses totaling a minimum of 3 HS credits per semester (2.5 for seniors who qualify for minimum day)
 - One to two college hours = .5 HS credit
 - Three to four college hours = 1.0 HS credit

****NOTE: Athletes must also adhere to GHSA rules of earning 2.5 HS credits the semester before participation.**



Sample DE Schedule



Full Time DE Student

- ENGL 1101 (3 hours/1.0 credit)
- MATH 1113 (3 hours/1.0 credit)
- PSYC 1101 (3 hours/1.0 credit)
- POLS 1101 (3 hours/1.0 credit)
- ***Total of 12 college credit hours and 4 HS credits.***

Part Time DE Student

- ENGL 1101 (3 hours/1.0 credit)
- MATH 1113 (3 hours/1.0 credit)
- AP Government (.5 credit)
- H Human Anatomy (.5 credit)
- ***Total of 6 college hours equaling 2 HS credits and 2 HS classes equaling 1 high school credit (3 HS credits in total)***



Part Time Dual Enrollment

- Decide what will be at Lassiter and what will be at college
- AM or PM?
 - Know the bell schedules (ASE vs Advisement)
 - Extracurricular activities?
 - Announcements, activities, handouts, etc. during advisement
 - Consider “Singleton” classes— performing arts, AP, upper-level languages
 - Consider transportation, park and walk time

*****The Lassiter Master Schedule is not set until late in the summer - this is the opposite of the college***

*****Things may conflict. Despite everyone's best efforts, you may still need to make adjustments to one of your schedules***



Funding Hour Limits

Students are only eligible for 30 credit hours total in high school for college courses

- Students are able to continue courses after 30 hours, but will have to self pay
 - Self pay courses can be listed on the high school schedule/transcript if they are approved DE courses
- *If you are a rising Junior...*
 - You will need to plan out how many DE hours you will take each semester
 - Cannot take a full-time load for 2 years
 - Graduate early? Could impact college admissions
 - What is your end goal?

Remember that a typical college course is 3 credit hours



Awarding Credits

- Students must successfully complete class to earn credit.
 - Colleges require a “C” or better for college credit and to move to the next class
 - Cobb County/Lassiter requires a “D” for HS credit.
 - *College classes stay on your college transcript, even when taken in HS*
- Colleges provide a letter grade, and Lassiter converts to a numerical grade
 - A= 95, B= 85, C= 76, D= 72, F= 69

****It is always your responsibility to check the accuracy of your transcript after grades are posted each semester.**



Dropping a Course

- Colleges will advertise Drop/Add and withdrawal timelines
 - This is a common thing in college and may sound appealing to a struggling DE student
- DE students who drop courses after the first 10 days of the Cobb semester receive a grade of “10%” on their Lassiter transcript (F)
 - Courses receiving state funding MUST be posted on the HS transcript with a grade, no exceptions.
 - ***BOTTOM LINE: Don't drop a class!***
- GPA will be impacted— Lassiter GPA, HOPE Scholarship GPA and “W” on college transcript (typically only 2 withdrawals allowed)
- Student cannot drop below full-time status
- Student will lose credit and could be off track for promotion/graduation



What Courses Can I Take?

- Core academic classes and academic electives, world languages and some career tech electives
- No Fine Arts or Health/Personal Fitness
- For a full list of courses offered at different colleges and for their respective high school course codes visit the GAFutures website
- Do your research!

www.gafutures.org

- HOPE and State Aid Programs
- Scholarships and Grants
- Dual Enrollment
- Course Directory
- Dual Enrollment Course Directory (search by college)



Accelerated Career Diploma

- Alternative path to high school diploma
- Designed for students who want to pursue a technical career path in which they will be ready to work
- Must complete either two technical certificates, a technical diploma, or Applied Associates Degree at a TCSG college
- Must complete 9 specific required high school credits and all related EOCs
 - 2 English, 2 Math, 2 Science, 2 Social Studies, Health and Personal Fitness
- Will be “work ready” with credentials for their chosen career path
- **May not meet criteria to attend a two- or four-year college upon graduation**
- *See your counselor to schedule individual meeting if this is something you are interested in! Different funding, rules, etc.*



Accelerated Career Diploma

ChattTech

Approved Programs that Lead to Licensure (PLL)

- CGL1 Cosmetology for Licensure
- CE11 Esthetician
- PN21 Practical Nursing

2 Technical Certificates of Credit (TCCs) in the following areas:

- Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources
- Architecture and Construction
- Arts, AV/Technology, and Communication
- Business Management and Administration
- Education and Training
- Energy
- Esthetician
- Finance
- Health Science
- Human Services
- Information Technology
- Interior Design
- Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security
- Manufacturing
- Marketing
- Network and System Admin/Administration
- Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics

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Trends/Counselor Observations

■ Math

- MUST complete Advanced Algebra (Algebra 2) at the HS before taking a college math class and being accepted to some schools (KSU)

■ Economics

- New Personal Finance requirement for Econ. This is only the intro Econ course at colleges.
- Micro and Macro not eligible for HS required credit

■ Science

- Challenging and may require college pre-reqs
- Not on all campuses



Trends/Counselor Observations

- Health and PE, Performing Arts/Visual Arts

- Not funded through Dual Enrollment

Mid-year withdrawals (8 this year!!!)

- Online classes— especially math, not always a good idea!

- Competitive College Admissions

- AP more rigorous

*Fall 84% of students got As and Bs

85 students plus 19 with GT Math



Application Process

RESEARCH



TEST



SUBMIT



PLAN

Research and consider all options/criteria/implications

- Is Dual Enrollment right for you? What is your end goal?
- Do you meet admission criteria? GPA, Test Scores?

Take SAT/ACT/ACCUPLACER and have scores sent to college

*Look at admissions requirements to see if you need test scores

Submit Application and any required paperwork

*Before starting a DE Application or GSFAPP, students must have their valid SSN on their GAfutures student account

- Apply! Online link from school website (typically to GA Futures)
- Complete Participation Agreement on GA Futures (student and parent section)
- May need to meet with counselor to sign advisement form (Chat Tech)
- Request to send your transcript from Lassiter (Come to counseling office for this! Fill out card!)
- Turn in Local School Agreement to counseling office (REQUIRED for funding to be approved)

Have a game plan - classes at the college vs. at Lassiter

- Different for every student
- It is your responsibility to research the impact DE classes will have



After Acceptance

***Everything must be approved by your high school counselor. No changes to schedules may be done without us knowing and approving.*

- Acceptance notification from college is emailed to Student
 - Student must check email – *colleges will only communicate through college email*
- Attend college orientation/advisement/registration
- Register for classes ASAP to get preferred sections/times
 - Do your research! (rate my professor, bell schedules, practice times)
 - If you wait, you may not get the classes/times/locations you need

****SEND YOUR SCHEDULE TO YOUR HS COUNSELOR AS SOON AS YOU REGISTER**

Lassiter will approve funding for Fall 2026 before summer IF schedules are received on time.
If not, it will be late July/Early August



Required Documents

- Application
 - Online through the college website (usually uses gafutures)
- Participation Agreement/Funding Application
 - Online through GA Futures, Part of the College Application, Student and Parent section
- Transcript, Test Scores
 - Transcripts sent by Lassiter- come to counseling office to sign card or email counselor
 - Test Scores sent by CollegeBoard or ACT if applicable (don't forget AP Scores to exempt entry level courses, PSAT Scores?)
- Cobb County Local School Agreement (on Lassiter DE website!) Make sure you read and keep a copy for yourself and turn in signed copy to your counselor
- Other forms required by the college
 - Advisement Form
 - Student Contracts, New Student Form, etc.
 - Immunization or Lawful Presence Verification



Deadlines

■ College Admission Deadlines

- Deadlines are different for all colleges
- Make sure to watch your deadlines and apply EARLY
- Remember that there are multiple steps, you must have supporting documents in on time addition to doing your online application (transcript, test scores)

****The earlier you are accepted the earlier you can register!**

KSU: Summer and Fall-
April 3rd for application
April 17th for documents

Chat Tech:
Summer- March 1st for application,
March 15th for documents
Fall- May 1 for application, May 15
for documents



Deadlines

- Cobb County Deadlines

- *No exceptions will be made*

- Summer – May 1

- Fall – May 1

- Spring – November 1

Must have applied to college and have submitted all documents including Local School Agreement by these dates!



26 – 27 Registration

- *Lassiter registration opens Friday morning and closes March 5th at 10am.*
- If you KNOW you are doing DE and have a plan for classes, you will take at the college go ahead and only register for the classes you want/need at Lassiter
 - Ex- Math through DE so pick “Dual Enrollment” under the math section and register for other Lassiter classes like normal (Zoology, etc)
- If you aren’t sure, register as normal
 - As soon as you have a DE plan, we will update your Lassiter schedule

***DE SCHEDULES WILL NEED TO BE TURNED INTO YOUR COUNSELOR AS SOON AS YOU REGISTER SO WE CAN UPDATE YOUR LASSITER REGISTRATION!**

When turning in schedules, if you plan on taking Lassiter classes, please make sure you tell your counselors what your preferred periods are based on your college classes.



In summary...

- There are pros and cons of Dual Enrollment
- Do your research – college, courses, quality points, etc
- DE requires a lot of independence and self-advocacy
- Self reflect – do you have the qualities of a successful DE student?
- Dual enrollment is not right for every student, and that's ok

- *#1 thing to remember...Reach out to your Lassiter Counselor if you have questions about Dual Enrollment*





Thank you!

