

AP AND COLLEGE CREDIT FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

I. Advanced Placement

In an effort to meet the needs of students who have both the potential and the desire to complete curriculum more demanding than that offered in the regular classroom, the Summers County Board of Education shall provide Advance Placement Programs which are advanced in terms of content and performance expectations. Such programs shall provide credit towards graduation and possible college credit. Advanced Placement classes shall include those recognized by the college board and the Summers County Board of Education. Any student enrolling in Advance Placement Programs shall take the Advanced Placement Examination. The Summers County Board of Education shall provide the funds necessary to pay for the exams. An AP Committee composed of the AP teachers, a teacher from the subject area who is familiar with the student, and a guidance counselor shall govern the Advanced Placement Program.

The Advanced Placement Program shall abide by the following guidelines:

- A. No student shall be allowed to enroll in more than two AP classes without special permission from the AP Committee.
- B. Before an AP class is offered it is suggested that there are at least 10 students. No AP class will have more than 20 students.
- C. Basic Requirements for review by the AP Committee shall include:
 - Teacher recommendation or 3.2, or better, average in related courses; acceptable standardized test scores in English.
- E. Courses offered will be determined by the AP Committee.
- F. Advanced placement grades shall be weighted with the following scale:
 - A = 5 quality points
 - B = 4 quality points
 - C = 3 quality points
 - D = 2 quality points
 - F = 0 quality points

This scale shall be used in averaging grades to determine GPA only. The letter grade shall be recorded on the students' record.

II. College Credit for Seniors

Seniors are eligible to take college classes during the school day as long as said classes are not similar to any Advanced Placement or Dual Credit Classes that are offered at Summers County High School. In addition, students must have at least a 3.0 average in their high school classes and parents must agree, in writing, that the Summers County School system and Summers County High School will not be held legally liable for any cost (including transportation) associated with students who take college classes or for any accidents or injuries associated with

SUMMERS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY

Adopted: 4/13/95 Rev: 2/23/05 Revised: 8/8/06
Reference: Board Minutes

Code: VI-D-1
Page 2 of 2

the student's attendance in college. Students must also be enrolled in Summers County High School courses that are needed to meet graduation requirements. Priority is for students to be scheduled in Summers County High School courses first. It is the responsibility of the student and the parent/guardian to obtain prior permission from the school principal before enrolling in college classes during the school day. Any student who drops their college class must report it to Summers County High School immediately to avoid unexcused absences. The student will be assigned to regularly scheduled classes at Summers County High School.

- III. Edge Classes - Teachers will teach the State Content Standards (CSOs) syllabi and use the state generated test for class finals.
- IV. In accordance with WV Board Policy 2510, students may earn high school credit through a variety of alternative means. Any student wishing to utilize this provision of Policy 2510 shall do so by applying to the principal in writing and stating the justification for the request. The principal will make the decision regarding the request in accordance with Policy 2510.