DUAL CREDIT
AND K-12 PARTNERSHIPS

Dual credit is earned for a selection of high school courses that allow students to simultaneously earn both high school and college credit. Over the last five years, there has been striking growth in the number of students earning WTCS dual credit and the number of credits earned. Researchers have identified numerous advantages in earning dual credit, including cost savings, early entry to career pathways, decreased college remediation, reduced time to degree completion and stronger postsecondary outcomes.

DUAL CREDIT¹

Students Earning WTCS Dual Credit

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<tr>
<td>Count</td>
<td>37,167</td>
<td>46,310</td>
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Total Credits Earned in Dual Credit Programs

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<td>Credits</td>
<td>149,673</td>
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<td>216,438</td>
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FIRST DECLINE IN OVER TEN YEARS, LESS THAN 6% LOSS DUE TO COVID-19 RAPID RESPONSE.

WTCS DUAL CREDIT PARTICIPATION²

- **High School Student Dual Credit Participation Rate by Gender**
  - Female: 15% (2016-17), 14% (2020-21)
  - Male: 20% (2016-17), 18% (2020-21)

- **High School Student Dual Credit Participation Rate by Race/Ethnicity**
  - American Indian/Alaskan Native: 9% (2016-17), 7% (2020-21)
  - Asian: 18% (2016-17), 11% (2020-21)
  - Black: 17% (2016-17), 12% (2020-21)
  - Hispanic/Latino: 4% (2016-17), 7% (2020-21)
  - Multi-Racial/Multi-Ethnic: 8% (2016-17), 8% (2020-21)
  - Pacific Islander: 26% (2016-17), 14% (2020-21)
  - White: 31% (2016-17), 21% (2020-21)

COVID-19 Rapid Response:
- Transition to online learning
- Technology access for dual credit students
- Effective virtual teaching practices
- Safe in-person delivery of critical lab-based courses

49,422 Wisconsin high school students saved over $32.1 million in college credit in 2020-21

Average Savings of $649.50 per student

Dual Credit refers to courses that allow students to earn college credit while in high school, including: Start College Now, Transcripted Credit, Youth Apprenticeship, 38.14 Contract and Advanced Standing. Student counts are unduplicated.

⁵Represents the % of all high school students in Wisconsin who participate in dual credit by gender and race/ethnicity.
DUAL CREDIT TYPES

Start College Now
Allows public high school juniors and seniors who meet certain requirements to take postsecondary courses at a Wisconsin technical college. Approved courses count toward high school graduation and college credit is earned. All cost for this program is covered by the high school.

Transcribed Credit
A college course and all its resources, including a college mentor are provided to a qualified high school teacher in order to deliver a full college course to students while in high school. The students will receive a college transcript, and both college and high school credit at no cost to the student.

Youth Apprenticeship
Allows high school juniors and seniors who meet certain requirements to receive school-based and work-based instruction. A high school can contract with a technical college and instructor to teach a college level course to high school students when appropriate. The contract is paid by the high school.

38.14 Contract
Allows high school students to gain college level instruction from a college instructor. Both college level credit and high school credit is earned. The high school and the technical colleges engage in the contract. The contract is paid by the high school.

Advanced Standing
Advanced Standing is also referred to as “Credit in Escrow”. The credit is activated when a student enters a program at the college. The college has an articulation agreement with the high school stating that one or more high school course(s) outcomes align to the first college level course. No additional costs are incurred to the student or high school.

TRANSCRIPTED CREDIT: TOP CAREER CLUSTERS
Articulation Course Agreements With High Schools (2020-21)

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<td>S.T.E.M.</td>
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<td>Associate of Arts</td>
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<td>Agriculture, Food &amp; Natural Resources</td>
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2020-21 CREDITS EARNED BY DUAL CREDIT TYPE

- Start College Now 12.7%
- Transcribed Credit 76.4%
- 38.14 Contract 9.7%
- Advanced Standing 0.7%
- Youth Apprenticeship 0.4%
- "I feel great knowing that not only I accomplished all of this before I graduated high school, but gaining this college degree will give me the edge I need for my career and business.”
  - Hunter, East Troy High School, GTC Business Management

IN 2020-21,
435 HIGH SCHOOLS OFFERED 3,628 TRANSCRIPTED CREDIT ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS.
Transcribed Credit is FREE for all students.