
**POST-SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES
(A STUDENT BROCHURE)**

Legislation has been passed that enables DeKalb students who are at least 16 years of age or who are classified as juniors or seniors in DeKalb County high schools to take approved courses, full-time or part-time, at Georgia public colleges, universities, or technical institutions where they have been accepted. They will receive both post-secondary credit hours and high school Carnegie unit credit for courses completed under this program.

The four requirements for participation in this program are that each student (1) must be enrolled in a DeKalb County school, (2) must not have received a high school diploma, (3) must be age 16 or have a minimum of 150 quarter hours to be a junior or 225 quarter hours to be a senior, and (4) must have been accepted by an eligible institution.

It will be the responsibility of the student who desires to participate in the program to apply, meet, and abide by the post-secondary institution's admission policies and procedures.

Tuition will be paid by the state. The student will be responsible for items not ordinarily included in tuition and fees. Students in this program will be ineligible for other state-aid programs.

Students electing to participate in this program will be required to select a schedule of courses at the local school in the event that they decide not to participate in the program. Students who begin postsecondary work and then decide to reenter the local high school will have to wait until the beginning of the high school's next grading period (quarter or semester) for enrollment.

All students participating in the program and their parent(s)/guardian(s) must sign a document at the high school, prior to enrollment, stating that they have a clear understanding of students' responsibilities and possible consequences that participation may have on students' plans for completion of the requirements for a high school diploma, standing in the class, and participation in athletic events and other school activities.

PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM DOES NOT EXCUSE THE STUDENT FROM HAVING TO MEET STATE ASSESSMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION.

A student participating in the program will be responsible for securing needed information regarding high school activities such as the ordering of class rings, invitations, caps and gowns, yearbooks, graduation fees, etc. Students must also supply the home high school with evidence of the successful completion of courses required for graduation prior to the graduation date and **prior to participation in graduation exercises.**

Any student and/or parent(s)/guardian(s) wishing additional information should contact the school counselor. For specific information regarding a particular postsecondary institution, the Director of Admissions at that institution should be contacted.

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