



# High School Academy & Dual Enrollment Programming Agreement

This agreement is entered into by and between Warren County School District (hereinafter referred to as the "school district") and the Community College of Beaver County (hereinafter referred to as "CCBC"). This agreement sets out the terms and conditions of the High School Academy and Dual Enrollment programming offered by these institutions.

## I. Purpose

#### **High School Academies**

CCBC's nationally distinctive High School Academy program is a dual enrollment opportunity for high school students to earn college credits and explore future careers in their area of interest. Academy students can earn up to 28 credits towards an associate degree by high school graduation. The Community College of Beaver County has six Academies which include Aviation, Construction, Criminal Justice, Education, Health, and STEM.

The CCBC High School Academies share the same goals:

- **Build** partnerships with local and regional high schools and four-year colleges and universities.
- *Encourage* students to pursue higher education and have a jump-start on a college degree.
- *Introducing* high school students to the academic rigor required in college.
- **Develop** leadership skills and character in high school students.
- Supply additional transfer students for CCBC's partnering 4-year institutions through articulation agreements; and
- **Prepare** a pipeline of students for in-demand career fields in Western Pennsylvania and beyond.

#### **Dual Enrollment**

High school students who have completed their freshman year in high school and who are approved by their local school district to participate in the dual enrollment program will be allowed to enroll as a Dual Enrollment student. Dual Enrollment Students are high school students taking CCBC courses on the college campus or online. Individuals accepted under this status will not be eligible for financial aid benefits or enrollment in preparatory courses.

### II. Student Eligibility

### **High School Academies**

- 1. High School Academy students must be juniors or seniors in a high school.
- 2. Each Academy has a GPA requirement. The GPA requirement for each Academy is based on the level of coursework taken within the Academy. For specific GPA requirements for each Academy refer to the Academies website. Academies click here
- 3. The High School Academies require students to have displayed good attendance and good conduct in school.
- 4. These students must have a recommendation from their principal or guidance counselor.
- Based on the Academy, the student may be required to have taken Algebra I, Biology and Chemistry with a lab, or Pre-Calculus. To see which courses are required for each Academy refer to the curriculum sheets within the High School Academies website. <u>Academies click here</u>

#### **Dual Enrollment**

- 1. Dual Enrollment students should be limited to sophomore, junior and senior students in a high school.
- 2. To be eligible for Dual Enrollment, students need to have a 2.8 GPA.
- 3. The number of college-level courses completed should not exceed 2 courses per semester
- 4. The College may establish additional criteria for admission into courses.

#### III. Courses Offered

#### **High School Academies**

Students will follow a prescribed pathway for the academy of their choice. Each semester will consist of up to 7 credits for a total up to 14 credits each academic year. A student can earn up to 28 college credits if completing both their junior and senior years in the academy programming.

#### **Dual Enrollment**

Students can select up to two college courses each semester from the overall college schedule. The student must meet pre-requisites for the course to be approved for registration.

### **IV.** Student Support Services

CCBC will provide the following support services to students enrolled in the program: tutorial services both, face-to-face and online and on demand, access to our library as well as our online library databases, transition support via the Access Ability Center for disability support services, Student Success Lab, and academic advising.

#### College Level Section 504/ADA Accommodations:

When taking a college level course, high school students with documented disabilities are eligible to receive accommodations. Accommodations at the college level may differ from those at the high school level. The college will not provide modifications to change the course content or performance expectations that would substantially alter the essential elements of the courses.

The College Counselor is available to HS Academy and Dual Enrollment students in crisis situations where the threat of self-harm, harm to others, or abuse is evident and/or disclosed to any Faculty, administrator, or staff member. Parental/Guardian notification will occur as necessary or as granted permission by the student.

#### V. Student Credit

Students completing courses through these programs will have the course completion and relevant grade posted to the student's official CCBC transcript. Transfer of these credits to other institutions will be subject to the procedures and requirements of the receiving institution.

If at any time during the semester, the student would decide that they would like to withdraw from High School Academy or Dual Enrollment courses they must notify the Associate Dean of High School Academies or his or her designee by the designated withdraw date as outlined on the CCBC academic calendar. If the student decides to withdraw outside of the withdraw or refund dates established by the college, the faculty will still be required to report a grade for the student and the student will still be responsible for the tuition for the course(s).

## VI. Enrollment and Registration

# **High School Academy**

- 1. Students are required to complete the online High School Academy application and print and complete the paper High School Academies Signature page and submit it to the Associate Dean of High School Academies and Dual Enrollment or his or her designee along with a copy of their most current report card and high school transcript.
- 2. Student will be contacted after the application is reviewed with the status of their acceptance.
- 3. If accepted into the academies, the student will be invited to an onboarding meeting where they will complete additional documents and register for their courses.

#### **Dual Enrollment**

- 1. Students are required to submit the Dual Enrollment and College in High School application online.
- 2. Students are required to submit the Dual Enrollment registration form provided by the high school counselor or the Associate Dean of High School Academies or designee
- 3. The student or school counselor will send the dual enrollment registration form along with official high school transcripts and current report card to the Associate Dean of High School Academies or his or her designee.
- 4. Students will need to take the CCBC placement test if the high school will not sign the placement test waiver form.

#### VII. Tuition and Fiscal Transactions

Classes taught by CCBC will be billed to the student at the appropriate tuition rates as approved by the Board of Trustees according to the students' appropriate tuition code. It is the responsibility of the student's parent(s) to pay for the courses by the established tuition deadline of the college. These deadlines can be found on the college academic calendar located on the CCBC website.

#### VIII. Mutual Terms and Conditions

- A. *Term of Agreement*. This agreement shall automatically renew annually unless a written termination request is submitted by either party. See VIII B.
- B. Termination of Agreement. Either party may terminate this Agreement for any reason with, ninety (90) days' notice. In the event of a substantial breach, either party may terminate this agreement upon the occurrence of the breach by written notice that may be less than 90 days. In no event shall the termination of this Agreement by either Party take effect before the end of a then current academic term or adversely affect any student who may be participating in the agreement.
- C. Nondiscrimination. The parties agree to continue their respective policies of nondiscrimination and related procedures to insure such based-on Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 regarding sex, age, race, color, creed, national origin, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, and other applicable laws, as well as the provisions of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (as amended) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990.
- D. Interpretation of the Agreement. The laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania govern.
- E. *Modification of Agreement*. This Agreement shall only be modified in writing with the same formality as the original Agreement.
- F. *Entire Agreement*. This Agreement represents the entire understanding between parties. No other prior or contemporaneous oral or written understandings or promises to exist regarding this relationship.
- G. Confidentiality. The parties shall protect the confidentiality of student records as dictated by the Family Educational Records and Privacy Act (FERPA) and shall release no information absent written consent of the student unless required to do so by law or dictated by the terms of this agreement.
- H. *Notification*. Either institution may withdraw from the agreement upon written notification to the other participant. The CCBC High School Academy and Dual Enrollment office and High School Administrative team serve as the official points of contact for this Agreement.
- I. Authority. The Parties executing this Agreement represent and warrant to each other that they have the full right, power, capacity, and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement, and that they have duly and properly performed all acts required to authorize them to carry out this Agreement and the transactions contemplated by it.

# **CCBC High School Academy and Dual Enrollment Programming Agreement**

# Signature page

School District Signatures		
Board President	Date	
Board Secretary	Date	
Gary Weber Superintendent	Date	
Misty Weber High School Principal	Date	
College Signatures		
Dr. Roger W. Davis CCBC President	Date	_
Dr. Shelly Moore VP Academic Affairs/Provost	Date	_
Lauren Susan Associate Dean. HS Academies & Dual Enrollment	 Date	_
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