Course Choice

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Course Choice Agenda

- Why?
- How?
  - Rhode Island Context
- What?
  - PrepareRI Dual Enrollment
  - Advanced Course Network

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WHY?

We value personalized learning experiences and multiple pathways

Strongly believe
- Exploration
- Connection
- Engagement
- Autonomy

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How has Course Choice evolved in Rhode Island?

- Statewide Access to RIDE Approved Career and Technical Education Programs (2012)
- Prepare Rhode Island Dual Enrollment Fund (2015)
- Secondary Regulations and Pathway Endorsements (2016)
- Rhode Island Advanced Coursework Network (2016)
- CS4RI (2016)

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Dual and Concurrent Enrollment - Overview

- Students can access college level course in two ways:
  - **Concurrent enrollment** courses at their high school
  - **Dual enrollment** courses at the institution's campus

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Challenging students to explore careers and get a jumpstart on college:

Dual and concurrent enrollment

150% • 150% percent increase since 2015 in dual and concurrent enrollments, courses that high school students can take for college credit

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URI	RIC	CCRI
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• CCE / Special Programs	• Academic Affairs	• Running Start Program (dual enrollment) • High School Enrichment (dual enrollment) • STEM Connect Program (concurrent enrollment)

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Advanced Course Network

• Developed by RIDE with repurposed funding from within the department.

• Coursework is provided by:

  • Rhode Island LEAs, Rhode Island based non-profits, colleges and universities, and Department of Labor and Training approved training provider programs. All programs go through a rigorous review process.

  • All middle and high schools have the option of participating as a network member.

  • Schools review each student registration and approve/deny courses based on the school's existing program of study and alignment with each student's academic and career goals.

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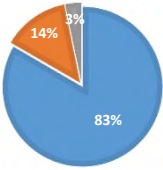
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■ Urban ■ Suburban ■ Rural ■

Advanced Course Network

- **Types of Courses:**
  - Advanced Placement, Dual enrollment, Career Preparation and Career Exploration
- **Network Course Providers:**
  - 2016-17: 4 Districts; 5 Colleges; 5 CBOs
  - 2017-18: 7 Districts; 6 Colleges; 8 CBOs
- **Member Schools:**
  - 2016-17: ~50% of secondary schools at start of year
  - 2017-18: ~75%+ of secondary schools at start of year
- **Students:**
  - 2016-17: ~830 course enrollments

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ACN Fall Course Offering Summary

Credit Type	
Dual / Concurrent Enrollment	65
Advanced Placement	12
Credential	3

Modality	
Face to Face	91
Online	22

Discipline	
Science, Engineering & Technology, Mathematics	48
Design & Design Thinking	7
Trades, Hospitality, Education	12
Visual & Performing Arts	12
History &Social Sciences	10
Community Development	10
Business & Career Development	7
English Language & Composition	5
World Languages	2

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Next steps: What can I do?

- Visit the RIDE Website for **information** and **toolkits**
  - http://ride.ri.gov/DualEnrollment
  - http://ride.ri.gov/ACN

- **Dual Enrollment**
  - Visit websites & Contact individual schools – URI / RIC / CCRI
  - Include in Dual and Concurrent course offerings in course catalog and scheduling events
- **Advanced Course Network**
  - Become an ACN Member School – sign assurances
  - Make available and promote course offerings beginning Nov. 1st

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Questions

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Dual & Concurrent Enrollment Information Schools & LEAs

In April 2015, the Board of Education adopted statewide dual enrollment regulations that:

- Ensure students receive both high school and college credit
- Provide all qualified students access, through dual enrollment, to the entire course catalog offered by URI, RIC and CCRI
- Create a clear process for high schools to expand concurrent enrollment courses
- Establish clear criteria that allows teachers, district leaders and parents to see if a student is ready to take college level coursework while in high school
- Remove barriers to participation for low-income students

Coordinating Responsibilities

It is recommended each school or LEA designate staff to be the main the point of contact for:

- Assisting students with dual and concurrent registration
- Confirming enrollments with the institution
- Advising students on courses that match their interests and meet their graduation requirements
- Communicating the available opportunities, benefits and risks to students and families
- Ensuring final grades are coordinated with each institution
- Identifying and assisting qualified high school instructors to teach concurrent enrollment courses

What Do You Need to Know About Dual and Concurrent Enrollment?

Allows high school students to take college courses to simultaneously earn credit at both the secondary school and the higher education institution.

- Concurrent enrollment are college courses that are approved by the postsecondary institution to be taught at the high school, by the high school teacher
- Dual enrollment courses are part of the institution's regular schedule and are taught by a college professor on the college campus

The concurrent enrollment course catalog found on the RIDE website outlines which courses can be taught at your school(s) with the approval of the institution. Contact the coordinator at URI, RIC, or CCRI for questions about instructor qualifications and the approval process.

For dual enrollment, students have access to any course offered by the institution if they meet the eligibility criteria and course pre-requisites. Schools or districts may choose to support students' transportation for dual enrollment.

Funding and Costs

Governor Raimondo's 2016-17 Prepare RI Dual Enrollment Fund, if approved by the General Assembly, will provide funding for all qualified students to participate in concurrent and dual enrollment courses with URI, RIC and CCRI as part of their high school requirements at NO COST to students and families. The cost of books and associated course materials is the responsibility of the school or district.

RIDE Rhode Island Department of Education

Visit **ride.ri.gov/dualenrollment** for more information!

What are the Potential Benefits for Your Students?

⇒ Decreases the time and expense of obtaining a college degree
⇒ Research shows students who take college classes while still in high school are:

- Less likely to be placed in remedial college coursework
- More likely to enroll and stay in college
- Are more likely to complete college on time

What are the Potential Risks for Your Students?

Students receive an official college transcript upon completion of the course. That means if they drop the course after the deadline or receive a failing grade, it may impact their financial aid and/or GPA during college in the future.

College course-taking comes with college level responsibilities. It is very important that each student understands:

- The benefits as well as the risks of taking dual or concurrent enrollment
- Each course requirement and specific attendance and grading policies
- The drop deadline and policy at the institution offering the course they are taking

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Student Eligibility Criteria		
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Advanced Coursework Network

Supporting districts and schools in creating opportunities for Rhode Island students to access advanced coursework and conceive of their individualized graduation pathway at no cost to the school or district.

Become a
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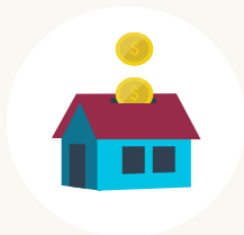
Network Course Costs

- No cost to district, school, or families
- Books & course materials covered by course payments to Providers
- No funding will be repurposed from funding formula to support Network

Enable Students and Families

to enroll in formerly unavailable high value academic & career focused courses while they remain enrolled at their public school.

Network Member Coordinator

- Advise students on courses matching interests & meeting graduation requirements
- Communicate opportunities, benefits & risks to students and families
- Assist students with course registration & confirm enrollments online
- Report grades and award credit

Join Now!

- Complete Member Assurances
- Visit http://ride.ri.gov/ACN
- Email AdvancedCoursework@ride.ri.gov

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Students

Fall & Yearlong Enrollment Timeline	
Catalog Published and **Fall Registration Opens** for all approved courses	**March – June 2***
Catalog Finalization *Courses that have not met their minimum will be canceled.*	**June 2 – June 5**
Extended Fall Registration for confirmed courses	**June 5 – August 1***
Courses Begin	**September – October**

Spring Enrollment Timeline	
Catalog Published and **Spring Registration Opens**	**October – December 21***
Catalog Finalization *Courses that have not met their minimum will be canceled.*	**December 23 – December 26**
Extended Spring Registration for confirmed courses	**December 27 – January 10***
Courses Begin	**January – February**

*Registration may close at an earlier time if program meets budget capacity.

http://ride.ri.gov/AdvancedCoursework

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