

A PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

Between

NORTHEAST TEXAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

and

WINNSBORO HIGH SCHOOL

Regarding Dual/Concurrent Credit Course Options for High School Students for the 2024-2025 School Year

In accordance with the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board TEC - Chapter 4 Rules; Subchapter D, Dual Credit Partnerships Between Secondary Schools and Texas Public Colleges, NORTHEAST TEXAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE (NTCC) offers academic and workforce education college-level course options for ISDs to approve for dual credit. After the ISDs approve the appropriate college-level courses for dual credit, high school students meeting admission requirements may enroll in these courses and may receive college and high school credit simultaneously. Each party will appoint a contact person to coordinate all activities relative to dual credit. Communications to the college regarding dual credit should be directed to the college's Director of Dual Credit.

In order to ensure the quality of dual credit courses and to facilitate communication and understanding between the respective ISDs and NTCC, the following provisions are agreed to by the college and the respective ISDs:

Dual/Concurrent Enrollment. Any high school student may, upon written permission of the high school principal or designee, apply for dual/concurrent enrollment.

The class load of such students shall be determined by the high school principal or designee, the Director of Dual Credit, and/or the student. Dual/Concurrent students must submit a high school transcript, and all dual/concurrent students should review Texas Success Initiative (TSI) guidelines carefully. Please note that some courses may include additional requirements. Students in a non-traditional program who seek dual/concurrent enrollment must meet the following conditions:

A) Provide an official high school transcript.

B) Comply with any institutional testing requirements documenting assessment of readiness for college-level coursework.

I. TSI Exemption and Exceptions

Student Eligibility

A. High school students are eligible to enroll in dual or concurrent credit courses if the student meets one of the following requirements:

1. demonstrates college readiness by achieving the minimum passing standards under the provisions of the Texas Success Initiative.
2. demonstrates that he or she is exempt from state-mandated testing by meeting the qualifying standards on the SAT, ACT, PLAN, EOC, or PSAT.
SAT and ACT scores are valid for five years from the date of testing.

SAT - Administered on or after March 5, 2016: a minimum score of 480 on the Evidenced-Based Reading and Writing (EBRW) test shall be exempt for both reading and writing sections of the TSI Assessment; a minimum score of 530 on the mathematics test shall be exempt for the mathematics section of the TSI Assessment. There is no combined score.

ACT - The student has earned a composite ACT score of 23, and a score of at least 19 on the Mathematics and/or English tests prior to Feb. 15, 2023. After Feb. 15, 2023, a combined score of 40 on the English and Reading

learning materials (e.g., library resources), and to other benefits for which the student may be eligible.

- E. NTCC student services staff will offer orientation sessions for dual credit students and their parents to assist them in becoming acquainted with the academic policies and support services of the college as described in Goal 1 of the State of Texas Goals for Dual Credit. High schools should request that parents of dual credit students sign a waiver that they understand the academic policies and procedures of the college, including the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. §1232g; 34 CFR Part 99), which is a Federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. High school students can sign a waiver for FERPA, allowing the college to share information about the student's grades, attendance, and class status with the high school counselor.

- F. It is the policy of Northeast Texas Community College to provide reasonable accommodations for qualified individuals who are students with disabilities. This College will adhere to all applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations and guidelines with respect to providing reasonable accommodations as required to afford equal educational opportunity. It is the student's responsibility to arrange an appointment with a College counselor to obtain a Request for Accommodations form. For more information, please refer to the Northeast Texas Community College Catalog or Student Handbook.

were qualified for free/reduced-price lunch in any of the four school years prior to
