

COLLEGE CREDIT OPTIONS

College Now, Reach & PSEO at BOLD High School



Why take college credits in High School?

- FREE OPPORTUNITIES TO EARN COLLEGE CREDIT
- OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES
- POTENTIALLY GRADUATE FROM COLLEGE EARLY
- OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE MORE CLASSES IN MAJOR/PROGRAM
- GET FAMILIAR WITH ACADEMIC RIGOR OF COLLEGE LEVEL CLASSES

OPTIONS FOR BOLD STUDENTS

COLLEGE NOW

(through SMSU) &

REACH (through MN

WEST TECH &

COMMUNITY COLLEGE)

POST SECONDARY

ENROLLMENT THROUGH

COLLEGE OF CHOICE (popular options BOLD students enroll

in: Ridgewater, SMSU, MN

West Tech & Community

college)

COLLEGE NOW and REACH (concurrent enrollment)

What is it?

- Earn college credit with BOLD teachers certified to teach course
- NO TEST AT THE END OF THE YEAR TO EARN CREDIT (unlike AP classes)

Eligibility:

- Juniors: 3.0 GPA or top 30% of class
- Seniors: 3.0 GPA or top 50% of class
- Students who DO NOT qualify CAN request an appeal to take the class for college credit

Classes for College Credit at BOLD

College NOW

- College Pre-Calculus (5 credits)
- College Calculus (5 credits)
- College Government (3 credits)
- College Mobile App (4 credits)
- College Computer IT (3 credits)
- College Business Exploration (3 credits)
- College Speech Communications (3 credits)
- College Digital World (3 credits)

REACH

- Introduction into Education (3 credits)
- American History (split into American History 1 & American History 2)
 - Each worth 4 credits for a total of 8 credits

Common Myths about Concurrent Enrollment

1. “The credits aren’t accepted”

- a. HERE IS THE DEAL: PSEO and Concurrent Enrollment are SO COMMON and nearly every college is jumping at the opportunity so credits are accepted NEARLY everywhere (minnesota state universities and community/technical schools, MOST private schools and University of MINNESOTA)

2. “They aren’t going to even count towards my major so why bother?”

- a. The classes you enroll in are general education courses and these are classes you would take if you are attending a 4 year school, so they might not apply towards your MAJOR but they TYPICALLY apply towards your general education for graduation from the school

POST SECONDARY THROUGH COLLEGE

What is it?

- Students ENROLL in the COLLEGE (any that have PSEO programs) and take CLASSES with PROFESSORS/INSTRUCTORS who work for the college
- Options include **FULL TIME** (not taking a class at BOLD) OR **PART TIME** (some classes at BOLD some at college)

Eligibility:

- Varies by school but MOST are:
 - SENIORS: 3.0 GPA OR TOP 50% of their class
 - JUNIORS: 3.0 GPA OR TOP 30% of their class

POST SECONDARY THROUGH COLLEGE

HOW DO I APPLY?

- Many PSEO applications are online (Ridgewater is paper copy/Ms. Stein has extras)
- See Ms. Stein and complete the application
 - If you are confused by any part of the application STOP BY MS. STEIN'S OFFICE.
- Ask Ms. Stein for a transcript to be sent to the school you are applying PSEO to

MS. STEIN CAN MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATIONS

- The college will CONTACT YOU NOT BOLD if you are admitted or not

POST SECONDARY THROUGH COLLEGE

Things to consider:

- classes you take through the college ARE NOT BOLD CLASSES
- The student is responsible for themselves (grades, answering email, doing the work)
- CREDITS DO TRANSFER TO OTHER COLLEGES AND ON BOLD TRANSCRIPT
- **The difference between college professors and your BOLD High School teachers**
- When applying to colleges you need to contact the college for your PSEO classes AND BOLD for your transcripts