

HCHS Dual Credit Program

Harlan County High School and Southeast Kentucky Community & Technical College have entered into an exciting partnership which allows Harlan County High School students to enroll as SKCTC students during their junior year at HCHS. Many of the classes which are taken at HCHS can also be counted for college credit at SKCTC. These classes can subsequently be transferred to any college or university that accepts credit from SKCTC. Through this partnership, several HCHS instructors have become accredited college instructors and are allowed to award college credit for their classes.

One of the most incredible aspects of the dual credit program is that **many of the classes currently offered are tuition free; the other classes are offered at ½ of the normal SKCTC tuition rate** due to the fact that the instructors for these five courses are already paid by the Harlan County School System. Instructors for several of the courses are regular full-time SKCTC instructors. All classes taught by a secondary teacher are now part of the 100% tuition waiver. In fact, every DC class at HCHS with the exception of the classes taught by true SKCTC faculty members will now be covered under the 100% tuition waiver. There is now a \$50 administrative fee for all classes covered by the 100% tuition waiver. Classes taught by true SKCTC faculty will be at the 50% tuition waiver rate. Classes taught by SKCTC faculty at the 50% tuition rate are not subject to the \$50 fee. This means that any DC class taught by one of HCHS staff will only cost \$50.

Note: In order to add the electives to a college transcript, students must enroll at SKCTC after High School graduation. Core classes will be automatically added to the students' college transcript at SKCTC upon meeting admission requirements and successful completion of the course.

The advantages associated with the dual credit program include:

- A smooth transition from high school to college –students who enroll in college during high school will likely come to understand that the dream of attending college really can become a reality.
- Increased student attendance – students will feel more compelled to attend school regularly if they know they are getting college credit.
- Enormous cost savings to parents! \$50 or ½ price college credit!!
- The requirements for the college courses add rigor to the dual credit classes and challenge students.

The classes currently being offered at HCHS include electives:

1. Web Page Design / IMD 232
2. Networking I & II / IT 120 & IT 122
3. Networking III & IV / IT 220 & IT 222
4. Visual Art/Basic Public Speaking / COM181 (may require ½ tuition)
5. Physics I /DIT 100
6. Honors Physics / PHS 171

7. Photography / VCM 100 Appalachian Studies / VCA 120 (These two classes are taught together and may require ½ tuition)

Core Classes include:

8. US History / HIS 108
9. US History / HIS 109
10. Psychology / PSY 100
11. English IV / ENG 101
12. Advanced Topics Math / MA 109

Due to an agreement with SKCTC, Core classes HIS 108 &109, MA 109, PSY 100, & ENG 101 now only cost \$50 each