



# Dual Enrollment Early Middle College/ 5th Year Co-Op

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# Is Dual Enrollment right for everyone?

Dual enrollment gives students the opportunity to take college level courses while in high school.

Because dual enrollment is an opportunity for students to take courses at the college level, the amount of work necessary to succeed can be greater than in high school courses.

Dual enrollment classes become part of a permanent college transcript and students can elect to earn HS credit as well.

Prior to enrolling, be sure that you are ready for the demanding work a college class requires. College expectations and policies can be reviewed in the Mid Michigan College Dual Enrollment Handbook.

Courses are held at CHS, on MMC's campus (Harrison or Mt. Pleasant) and online.



# Pros and Cons of Dual Enrollment

## Pros

- Expanded curricular opportunities
- Meet high school graduation requirements while earning college credits simultaneously.
- Take college classes at a reduced rate or not cost to family depending on the course and cost of the textbook.
- Support from an assigned Mid Mentor and Academic Advisor.

*For more information on benefits of dual enrolment visit, [midmich.edu/dual](https://midmich.edu/dual)*

## Cons

- No available support from CHS
- Dual enrolled students are treated exactly the same as regular college students
- Students must be intellectually and socially mature to handle college.
- Not all classes are guaranteed to transfer



# Associated Costs and Fees

Clare Public Schools will currently pay up to \$557.21 per dual enrollment class. Tuition and mandatory fees exceeding \$557.21 per class, as well as other fees and expenses are the responsibility of the parent and/or student.

If the student receives a failing grade (C- or lower), is dismissed from the class or chooses to drop the class, the student/parent(s) are responsible for reimbursing Clare Public Schools for any amount paid.



# Book Reimbursement Process

In order to be reimbursed for any textbook purchases, students need to provide Mrs. Murphy with the original receipt as well as the return receipt. Once those are received, a check will be issued through central office.

MID has specific “Book Buy Back” dates. If that deadline passes, no reimbursement will be issued from CHS.

Both receipts need to be provided in order to issue a reimbursement check from CHS.



# Credit Election

With dual enrollment, you may elect to receive credit in one of two ways:

College credit ONLY or High school AND College credit

## College Credit ONLY

### *Possible Advantages:*

- More colleges will likely accept the course.
- If your grade is not as high as you would like it will not affect your HS GPA.

### *Possible Disadvantages:*

- If you do well your grade will not help your GPA at CHS
  - The credits for the course will not count toward graduation at CHS.
- College Credit ONLY

## College AND High School Credit

### *Possible Advantages:*

- Credits count toward graduation at CHS and MID
- A good grade in the course will count toward your cumulative GPA and CHS.

### *Possible Disadvantages:*

- Some universities will not count dual credit classes (UM, MSU)
- If you do not do well in the course, it may impact your GPA at CHS.



# Early Middle College / 5th Year

- Allows a student to take up to 63 college credits over 5 years of high school free of charge to the student. (books must be purchased initially but cost is reimbursed at completion)
- Must enroll by the start of your 11th grade year
- Once enrolled students must commit to attending MMC during a 5th year of HS and do not receive a CHS diploma until they have completed their 5th year and one of the following requirements:
  - Received a minimum of 60 college credits
  - Received a minimum of 15 college credits and completed a 40 hour job shadow or 70 hours of community service.
- In order to receive a HS diploma students must enroll in a math class during last year of HS.
- Not recommended for students planning to move out of the area or attend a 4 year institution immediately after HS.
- Students may leave the program up until the start of semester two of senior year (students responsibility, not recommended)
- Students are responsible to reimburse CHS for any courses they do not earn at least a C or better in (including during the 5th year)



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- Work based learning program where students provide their own transportation to an employer and work for them for up to 3 hours per day
- Placements may be paid or unpaid
- Students are responsible to attend their placements on some non-school days
- Students must meet employers requirements (drug testing, age, clothing)
- Students may arrange a placement on their own at a qualifying employer or Mr. Albert may assist in placing students in a field of their interest within their EDP
- Placements must be secured by the end of the semester prior to the placement
- An application including cover letter and resume are required