

AGC Decision Form

8.1 Dual Enrollment

Decision

On March 14, 2023, the AGC membership voted to approve a change to the Dual Enrollment policy as part of a routinely scheduled review. The revised policy removes the requirement of a 2.5 GPA for high school students enrolling in GRCC classes.

The revised policy reads as follows:

Grand Rapids Community College provides collegiate education opportunities via dual enrollment, concurrent enrollment, and/or early/middle college for high school students who meet both the State of Michigan and college admission criteria.

High school student applicants must:

- Be enrolled in at least (1) high school class and pursuing a high school diploma in a public school district, state approved nonpublic school, or home school.
- Approval from student's high school administration and parent/guardian.
- Meet GRCC prerequisites for courses.

Sponsor/Champion of Proposed Policy

Chair: Robin Sterk (High School Partnerships)

Members: Werner Absenger (Secchia Institute For Culinary Education Faculty), Juan Cisneros (High School Partnerships), Deb Dewent (ISIP), Nathan Lindy (Physical Sciences Faculty), Mike Merchant (Mechanical and Architectural Design Faculty), Lynnae Selberg (AATC Faculty), Ennis Young (Psychology Faculty)

Rationale/Supporting Data

The team reviewing this policy:

- Sought and included input from AGC members at three meetings.
- Received and responded to input from departments, programs, and individual faculty members.
- Reviewed GRCC Mission Statement and Goals.
- Benchmarked seven community colleges' and one university's dual enrollment policies.

The team reported that none of the benchmarked institutions had a high school GPA requirement for dually enrolled students. The GPA requirement may pose barriers to students and is inconsistent with requirements for

other new GRCC students. Removing the GPA requirement meets GRCC's mission of open access and supports GRCC's goals of equity and community impact.

Implications for Action

No immediate issues with implementation were identified. The High School Partnerships team will track and report course completion data following implementation of the new policy.

Date of Decision by AGC

Date: March 14, 2023

Vote: 95% approved, 5% not approved, 0% abstained

Section to be Completed by the Provost

Evaluation Plan

Academic Year: 2026-2027

Response from Provost

Approved for immediate implementation.



Tina Hoxie, Ed.D.
Interim Provost and Executive Vice President
Academic and Student Affairs



Date