



COLLEGE COURSES

Policy Code: 3455

A formal request by a student and parent/guardian to take a college course while enrolled in a Franklin County high school must be made in accordance with the timelines and procedures specified by the College Course Request Form (FCS # 3455-a). The district assumes no responsibility (for either financial or course credit purposes) for courses taken without following proper procedure.

A student must be a senior in good standing to participate in college courses while still enrolled in high school. Good standing is defined as being enrolled in at least two high school classes, meeting attendance requirements, and working to one's academic potential based on current and past grades. Failure to maintain good standing releases Franklin County Schools from any financial obligation or obligation to accept the college course for high school credit.

Prior approval for all college courses must be granted by the principal and Superintendent or designee. A maximum of two college courses may be taken per semester for a maximum of four courses during high school. College courses should be restricted to core area – mathematics, science, social studies, and English – and may only be taken following the successful completion of the advanced high school offerings in that subject.

A course credit fee is to be paid when transferable college credit is desired. This fee is established by the college. In the case of AIG-identified students who are taking college courses in connection with the IEP (Individual Education Plan) component to their GEPs (Group Education Plan), this fee shall be paid by Franklin County Schools. In the case of students not identified as AIG, this fee is paid by the student.

An audit fee is to be paid when only high school credit is desired. This fee is established by the college and paid by the student in all cases.

High school students taking college courses of three (3) or more semester hours should be awarded quality points based on the Advanced Placement scale of credit. Most, if not all mathematics and science courses fall within this category. Courses of two (2) or fewer semester hours will be closely examined before quality point value is decided.

Legal References: G.S. 115C-47, -81, -276, -288

Cross References: Board Policy 3450, Class Rankings

Adopted: 04/10/00

FRANKLIN COUNTY SCHOOLS

COLLEGE COURSE REQUEST FORM

FCS Form:3455-a

This form must be completed in its entirety and within the timeline designations for consideration to take college courses. Also, it is the responsibility of the applicant to be fully aware of all provisions of the Franklin County Board of Education Policy #3455, College Credit and to adhere to such provisions. This form must be completed and returned to the school principal or counselor three weeks prior to the first day of college classes. A copy of the most current transcript and Individualized Differentiated Education Plan (AIG 6) must be attached to this form.

Student name: _____
High school: _____
College: _____ Semester: Fall ___ Spring ___ Summer ___ Year _____
College Course(s) Desired: _____

Signatures below indicate permission for the above named student to take college courses and accept all associated responsibilities and Board policy provisions.

Student's signature _____ Date _____
Parent/Guardian's signature _____ Date _____
Address _____ Phone number: _____

School system signatures below indicate permission for the above named student to take college courses in accordance with all Board policy provisions.

Counselor's signature _____ Date _____
Principal's signature _____ Date _____

Approved _____ Disapproved _____

Financial Obligation: Franklin County Schools _____ Parent/Guardian _____

Superintendent or designee _____ Date _____