Post Secondary Credit Options

In today's economy, students must be prepared for the demands of post-secondary education and the workplace. Barnesville High School provides support to assist students as they transition from middle school to high school and into an increasingly wide array of postsecondary options. For additional information, please contact Kyle Gylland, Counselor Barnesville High School and the Guidance and Counseling area on the high school website.

Advanced Placement (AP)

Barnesville currently offers Advanced Placement courses in Literature, Chemistry, Physics and Calculus. AP courses are part of a program administered by the College Board providing students the opportunity to test for college credit at the end of the course. These courses tend to be structured more like college courses, covering more content and challenging the student to work and perform at a high level. At the discretion of the College/University, credit may be granted for passing scores on these exams.

Postsecondary Enrollment Options

Postsecondary Enrollment Options (PSEO) is a program that allows eligible 10th-, 11th- and 12th-grade students to earn both high school and college credit while still in high school, through enrollment in and successful completion of college-level, nonsectarian courses at eligible participating postsecondary institutions. Most PSEO courses are offered on the campus of the postsecondary institution; some courses are offered online. Each participating college or university sets its own requirements for enrollment into the PSEO courses. Eleventh and 12th-grade students may take PSEO courses on a full- or part-time basis; 10th graders may take one career/technical PSEO course. If they earn at least a grade C in that class, they may take additional PSEO courses.

There is no charge to PSEO students for tuition, books or fees for items that are required to participate in a course. Students must meet the PSEO residency and eligibility requirements and abide by participation limits specified in Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.09. If a school district determines a pupil is not on track to graduate, she/he may continue to participate in PSEO. Funds are available to help pay transportation expenses for qualifying students to participate in PSEO courses on college campuses. Schools must provide information to all students in grades 8-11 and their families by March 1, every year. Students must notify their school by May 30 if they want to participate in PSEO for the following school year. For current information about the PSEO program, visit the Minnesota Department of Education's Postsecondary Enrollment Options (PSEO) webpage.

College Level Exam Program

The College Level Exam Program (CLEP) is a College Board program that allows students to accelerate their education by earning college credit by taking a computer based test of their knowledge. Learning can be done through general academic instruction, independent study or extracurricular work. The time and money saved can be significant. Check with the postsecondary institution of your choice for their testing schedule and most recent CLEP credit policy. You may also visit the College Board Website for more information: https://clep.collegeboard.org/