

# 611: Early College Programs Policy

## 1. Purpose:

To administer a cooperative program with institutions of higher education to meet the needs of high school students. St. George Academy encourages all eligible high school students to participate in concurrent enrollment or AP courses.

## 2. Policy:

2.1. Academically able high school students shall be allowed to profit from enriched or advanced level courses while completing high school attendance and/or curricular requirements.

2.2. An association between the high school and the university will facilitate an enriched curriculum by allowing academically able high school students to enroll in university courses while they are in high school.

2.3. University courses taken as part of the Accelerated College Level Program should constitute additions to the established high school curriculum.

2.4. Registration in a university course will result in the establishment of a college transcript and the recording of college credit upon completion of the course. Such credit is applicable toward college degree programs, but such registration does not constitute "matriculation" as a full-time degree-seeking student. Further, it does not imply any abrogation of the school district's legal control of the ungraduated high school student's educational program and uncompleted compulsory school attendance responsibilities.

2.5 Students enrolled in AP courses are encouraged to take the exam associated with the course but are not required to do so.

## 3. Procedure:

3.1. SGA will maintain contact with the representative of a university concurrent enrollment program.

3.2. Courses are to be considered university courses, subject to all current university regulations.

3.3. Grading standards (overall scale) are subject to supervision by appropriate university representatives.

3.4. A formal connection between the high school and university will be maintained as follows:

**Board Rule R277-701**

- 3.4.1. High school students will be held to the same academic standard as matriculated university students.
- 3.4.2. An agreement form must be completed and signed by all appropriate personnel before the student will be admitted to a college-level course.
- 3.4.3. The student is required to purchase the current college-approved texts and materials for all courses.
- 3.4.4. The student will pay tuition and registration fees as established by the university.
4. Criteria for selection of students for college level programs will be set forth by the university offering the concurrent enrollment program.
5. The enrolled student will receive one semester high school credit for each semester university course.
6. After completion of the course, the university will provide a grade report to the student and to SGA.