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- Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) completion help
- Scholarship search and application assistance
- Financial education
- Support and advice for pursuing your goals for higher education

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- Sept. 7, 2018

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Why dual enrollment?
Statistically, students who take dual enrollment courses are more likely to successfully transition to higher education, and succeed academically at rates higher than students who do not take dual enrollment courses. Tuition is deeply discounted for dual enrollment students, which saves you money. Taking college courses in high school can shorten the time it takes to earn your degree, which saves both time and money. You can do this!

What are my options?
- **On Campus:** Courses may be offered for college credit only, or for both high school and college credit.
- **Online:** Courses may be offered for college credit only, or for both high school and college credit.
- **At Your High School:** More than 70 Montana high schools offer college-level courses on site. Connect with your school counselor to learn about courses offered at your school.

How do I sign up?
- Apply for admission to the college (one-time); AND
- Register for courses through your high school registration process; AND
- Register each semester for courses through the college; AND
- If required, complete placement exam(s) through the college; AND
- Pay your tuition bill at the college each semester (some courses may require additional course fees and books).

My plan for dual enrollment courses through Bitterroot College:

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Frequently asked questions

- **Will credits transfer to other colleges?**  
  Yes! You will have an official transcript from Bitterroot College. The Montana University System (MUS) has implemented a common course numbering policy to ensure credits for equivalent courses are honored at all units of the MUS. Your credits may transfer as degree or elective credit at other accredited colleges and universities outside of Montana. Always check the credit transfer policy at the college you want to attend for details.

- **Can I receive federal financial aid for dual enrollment courses?**  
  No, but there may be local foundations, organizations, or business groups that offer tuition assistance. Ask your counselor, principal, or dual enrollment coordinator if they know of any resources. And remember, Reach Higher Montana can help you navigate the financial aid process when you are ready to go to college full-time.

- **How does dual enrollment save me money?**  
  Dual enrollment courses can help you save time and money when you head to college. Dual enrollment students pay only 50% of the normal tuition cost and no student fees. Although dual enrollment students may be required to pay course fees and buy books, they do not pay room and board on a college campus. This can add up to a cost of only 25% compared to what a standard college student pays for the same course. When dual enrollment courses are required in the college program you choose to study in college, you may be able to complete a semester to two years of college while in high school, and at a huge savings. The sooner students complete their degrees, the sooner they are ready to earn paychecks in their desired careers.

- **Are there any risks to taking Dual Enrollment courses in high school?**  
  Yes. It's possible to take dual enrollment courses that will not count toward the college degree you decide to pursue, or will count as an elective credit. Dual credit course grades become part of your permanent college record. If you withdraw, fail, or earn poor grades in dual enrollment courses, your college GPA and your eligibility for federal financial aid may be jeopardized. Staff members at the college's dual enrollment office or Reach High Montana can help you understand your options. Just ask!

- **Can I receive college credit for dual enrollment classes I took at my high school without registering through the college?**  
  No. It's important to follow the process and timeline for registration – both at the high school, and at the college.

- **Can I earn dual enrollment credit from more than one college?**  
  Yes! You can take a combination of courses that best fits your goals. You can take dual enrollment courses online, at your high school, and at your college. Remember, you’ll need to transfer all your credits to the college you want to attend. If you earn credits from multiple colleges, you might consider transferring your credits to one institution so you have one complete transcript.