# Dual Enrollment (DE) Parent Information Night

McKeel Academy of Technology (MAT) April 5, 2018

# **Program Information**

- Classes are offered through Polk State College (PSC)
- Courses are available on our campus or at Polk State (on campus or online)
- Classes are taught by highly qualified instructors, credentialed by PSC
- Rigorous college content taught in courses
- FERPA laws prohibit parents from having access to their high school student's college course grades, attendance or transcript without a signed PSC approved access form
- DE courses *will* begin a student's college GPA. This may affect scholarship opportunities, and/or college admission
- Students who do not complete DE courses successfully may be responsible for any costs associated with the course, as applicable

### Benefits

- MAT covers the cost of all DE classes, fees and textbooks
- If qualifications are met, DE classes can begin as a sophomore
- Pursue course work towards an Associates Degree on MAT or PSC campuses
- Successful completion of a DE course earns high school credit while simultaneously earning college credit

# Requirements

- 3.5 unweighted cumulative high school GPA
- Be a sophomore, junior or senior or have earned six high school credits.
- Cannot be enrolled in Intensive Reading
- Passing scores on the reading (106) & writing (103) section of the Postsecondary Education Readiness Test (PERT).
- Passing score on the math (114) section, if student wants to enroll in intermediate math courses and/or if the student has already earned 12 college credits. To be eligible for College Algebra/Economics, student must earn a math score of 123.
- ACT/SAT scores may be substituted for the PERT in some instances (student *MUST* send official score reports)

### Requirements

- A grade of "C" or higher is considered successful completion
- DE courses are on a 5.0 scale (A=5, B=4, C=3, etc.)
- College GPA of 2.0 is required to continue DE courses
- Students must receive a "C" or higher in ENC1101 in order to take ENC1102
- Complete the PSC online application and online orientation (<u>www.polk.edu</u>)
- Complete the High School Approval Form (MAT website) for both Fall and Spring semesters and submit it to your School Counselor prior to registration
- When signing up for the Fall term of a course you are also signing up for the Spring term course that correlates with the Fall term.

### **Important Dates**

- PERT exam- April 25<sup>th</sup> (after school)
- DE High School Approval Form for both Fall and Spring are due to your School Counselor by May 21<sup>st</sup>.

### DE vs. AP Earning College Credit; which path is right for you?

#### **Dual Enrollment**

- College credit is awarded with completion of class with a grade of C or better
- DE courses are indicator of success at the college level because students have been tested in real college environments. Students in DE classes are treated as college students with high level of responsibility placed on them
- All state colleges and universities in Florida accept DE transfer credits but may award credits as elective rather than core. Be aware of the transfer policy for each college.
- Admissions counselors smile upon successful completion of Dual Enrollment classes. However, earning a grade of C or lower could negatively impact admissions
- Class grade (GPA) transfers to your college transcript
- Most DE courses equals 3 college credits hours
- Private colleges and universities are free to establish their own transfer criteria therefore it is best to check in advance pertaining to the schools DE policy

#### **Advanced Placement**

- College credit is awarded with a 3 or higher on the AP exam; high school credit is awarded by class grade
- AP tests are a demonstration of proficiency and competency in subject matter based on class grade and score on AP test. A high score on the AP exam signifies that you are a good student who can handle college level work
- All state colleges and universities in Florida accept AP credits. Colleges and Universities in other states are very likely to accept them as well
- Admissions counselors smile upon successful completion of AP classes. A grade of a C in an AP class is not considered negative when applying to college
- Class grade (GPA) will not transfer to your college transcript
- A high score on the AP exam could earn multiple college credits depending on exam and score
- Private colleges and universities are free to establish their own transfer criteria therefore it is best to check in advance pertaining to the schools AP policy

# Earning AA Degree

- Earning an AA Degree does NOT necessarily mean you will be admitted into the public university of your choice. However, one of the 12 universities in the state of Florida will accept you.
- Student would be considered a first time college student but would be a junior upon admission.
- Typically, students earning their AA in high school are NOT eligible for Freshman Scholarships at the universities. However, you are encouraged to contact the admissions department at the university you are interested in attending.

### Statistics of McKeel Students Accepted to FSU for 2018-19

GPA	SAT	ACT	AP	DE	FTEA
4.581	1270	29	11	5	
4.587	1350	29	10	7	
4.571	1340	27	10	6	
4.089	1370	28	1	12	YES
4.383	1070	25	6	2	
4.207	1280	29	6	2	
4.424	1180	25	5	6	
3.726	1300	N/A	0	2	
4.214	1180	27	1	14	YES

### Statistics of McKeel Students Accepted to UF for 2018-19

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4.581	1270	29	11	5	
4.587	1350	29	10	7	
4.571	1340	27	10	6	
4.440	1310	32	4	8	
4.300	1390	29	3	4	
4.000	990	15	4	5	
4.190	1350	26	4	5	
4.500	1370	31	7	7	
4.320	N/A	32	2	0	
4.290	1310	29	3	12	YES
4.630	1450	28	9	17	
4.220	1160	26	1	4	

### **ADMMISSION STATS**

2018-19 ADMISSIONS FOR FSU

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48,000 Applications Submitted GPA- 4.1-4.5 SAT- 1290-1400 ACT- 28-32

2018-19 ADMISSIONS FOR UF

40,000 Applications Submitted for 6,400 spots GPA- 4.3-4.6 SAT- 1300-1440 ACT- 29-33



Can I take the PERT more than one time? Yes, but you must wait 30 days before retaking the test.

Do I have to take the PERT at McKeel? No, you can take the PERT at PSC campus as well, just be sure to check dates and times on PSC website and you must have a valid ID with you.

Do I have to take all sections of the PERT if I have passed some of the sections? No, you can take just the sections that you are still needing to pass.

Do the PERT scores expire? If you pass the PERT and do not take any courses within two years, your scores will expire.

Can I take DE courses on PSC's campus? Yes, students are allowed to take courses on McKeel campus and/or PSC campus.



How can my student take the PERT at McKeel on April 25<sup>th</sup>? Students have been emailed a Google Doc to register for the PERT on McKeel campus.

Do McKeel teachers teach dual enrollment courses? We currently have three McKeel teachers that teach courses.

If I receive my AA degree does that disqualify me for scholarship opportunities? You may be ineligible for Freshman scholarships at some institutions, this is why it is imperative you check with each individual college/university you are interested in attending to clarify their individual policies.

What is FTEA? FTEA means Full Time Early Admission. Seniors are the only ones that can meet FTEA requirements. FTEA is taking 12-15 credit hours on PSC campus as you remain a McKeel student.