

Montana University System

Dual Enrollment Expansion Taskforce

Progress Report to BOR
February 14, 2014

The Dual Enrollment Workgroup was charged to propose concrete recommendations to facilitate the expansion of Dual Enrollment opportunities in the state of Montana. To date, deliberations have created six distinct recommendations which are currently being further refined with a goal to present policy proposals to the Board of Regents in May, 2014.

Recommendation #1: Convene a group to explore factors which will incentivize and motivate high school teachers who already have a Master's degree but need to earn up to nine graduate credits in the discipline with the goal of increasing concurrent enrollment courses offered by high school teachers in the high schools.

Next Steps: to be determined after Recommendations #2 through #6 are completed.

Recommendation #2: Convene a group to review the Class 8 process to see how we can update, streamline, and make the process more efficient.

Workgroup: Terry Kendrick, Marco Ferro, Pete Donovan, Sue Jones, Kim Schrenk, Brenda Hanson, and Janice Alexander, and guest Elizabeth Keller, OPI Educator Licensure Manager

Progress: Deputy Commissioner Moisey met with the Board of Public Education CSPAC (Certification Standards and Practices Advisory Council) in February. Follow up efforts are underway to convene a meeting including representation from the Dual Credit Taskforce and a representation of two-year college Chief Academic Officers to discuss possible strategies for streamlining Class 8 approval process.

Recommendation #3: Create consistent standards in the Montana University System (MUS) regarding concurrent enrollment, in areas including but not limited to pay, assessment, textbooks, site visits, assessment/evaluations, and participation in campus orientations.

Workgroup: Amy Verlanic, Daniel Bingham, Heidi Pasek, Lynn Stocking, Dave Hall, Roch Turner, Curtis Biggs, Amy Williams, and Kristen Jones

Progress: The Taskforce convened on February 14 to review a draft of statewide guidelines for MUS college agreement with a high school to provide dual enrollment. The purpose of the guidelines is to establish a partnership that provides post-secondary opportunities for eligible high school students, specifically dual enrollment classes. Additionally, the purpose of the agreement is to define the procedures related to dual enrollment of high school students in college classes including: college's role, school district's role, and the students' role. The document also provides guidelines outlining faculty approval, student eligibility, program

coordination and quality, text books and materials coordination, college resources, and data collection and analysis. The Taskforce will present the statewide guidelines for MUS college agreement with a high school to the BOR for approval in May 2014.

Recommendation #4: Convene a group to explore allowing the National Board Certification (NBC) within a disciplinary focus to be an alternative for the nine graduate credits in the subject area.

Workgroup: Marsha Riley, Pete Donovan, Amy Verlanic, Terry Kendrick, Marco Ferro, Dave Hall and John Cech

Progress: MSU Billings and City College set up a meeting in February with NBC teachers and college faculty to better understand Board Certification discuss the potential for allowing Board Certification to serve as an alternative for the nine graduate credits in the subject area. The subgroup will report out to the Taskforce at the next scheduled meeting with plans to form a recommendation related to factoring NBC into faculty approval process.

Recommendation #5: Review the dual enrollment student application process and check for adherence to approved MUS standards.

Workgroup: Dena Wagner-Fossen, Sue Jones, Kali Wicks, Donna Bakke, Terry Kendrick, Jessica Brubaker, Kali Wicks

Progress: Three recommendations: 1) Create consistent template for campuses to display dual enrollment courses on websites including: Dual Credit (campus based); Online Dual Credit; Concurrent Enrollment (high school based taught by high school teacher); and early college (college credit only); 2) Create Dual Enrollment Website via MUS.EDU which will provide electronic link to dual enrollment website of all public Montana colleges providing dual enrollment (complete for Fall 2014 – roll out in Summer 2014); 3) Pilot a college by Fall 2014 with electronic registration.

Other Progress

Expansion of Dual Enrollment Opportunities in Billings:

Chancellor Rolf Groseth, Provost Mark Pagano, Dean Marsha Riley, and Deputy Commissioner John Cech have convened several meetings since late January including a broad list of stakeholders from MSU Billings, City College, Billings School District No. 2, and Billings Catholic Schools to discuss expansion of high school based dual enrollment in the Billings area. The goal of these meetings is to come to an agreement on a dual enrollment program with the first phase planned to begin with Fall 2014. Considerations for moving forward include:

- Success could be optimized by having college faculty work directly with high school faculty

- Strategize to provide classes that would help SD2 with completions
- Strategize to increase interest in HS to College matriculation (i.e. appeal to some of those students “on the margin”)
- Look to appeal to students and parents as “An opportunity to reduce college debt”
- Provide course opportunities for students that may not be inclined to take AP coursework
- Focus on demographics that are less likely to matriculate to college
- Build on the success with existing *University Connections* initiative
- Consider providing a central point person to coordinate activities between the many offices involved on all sides (i.e. SD2, Local Billings High Schools, City College and the MSUB University Campus)

Performance-based Dual Enrollment Allocation

Legislative OTO Funds Allocated Dual Enrollment Expansion; includes potential funding for all 2-year campuses and programs

Criteria

1) Performance pool established for each campus; total dual enrollment funding split over 3 semesters, between 12 campuses

Total	Semester Amt	Campus Sem.Amt
\$645,000	\$215,000	\$17,917

2) Campuses will receive funds after each semester (Fall 2013, Spring 2014, and Fall 2014).

3) Funds must be used in support of increasing Dual Credit, preferably face to face instruction within a high school.

4) Campuses compete against themselves; awarded funds for increases above previous semester. (fall to fall, spring to spring)

5) Performance measures based on two metrics, weights are put on each metric to signify importance.

6) Campuses receive semester performance pool if weighted points increase and overall dual enrollment headcount grows by 10 or more.

7) Residual amounts (i.e. amounts not awarded) will be redistributed to campuses making progress.

Example Data

Metrics	Weights	Fall 2012 baseline		Fall 2013 Results	
		Counts	Weighted Points	Counts	Weighted Points
Dual enrollment headcount (students enrolled in at least one class)*	75%	100	175	120	210
Dual enrollment student FTE	25%	35	44	50	63
Total	100%		219		273

Dual Enrollment data definition, Student_type = "H"

Are the weighted points from Fall 2012 greater than Fall 2013?	YES
Did dual enrollment headcount increase by 10 or more students?	YES

Performance-based Dual Enrollment Allocation
Fall 2013

Distribution as of 1/6/14

Campus Qualifying Amt. = \$17,917
Residual = \$53,750

Unduplicated Headcount Weight = 75%
Full-time Equivalent (FTE) Weight = 25%

	Fall 2012 (EOT)		Fall 2012	Fall 2013 (EOT)		Fall 2013	Difference F12 to F13	Fall 2013 Amount
	Headcount	FTE	Weighted Pts	Headcount	FTE	Weighted Pts		
City College	138	49.5	303.3	164	60.5	362.7	59.3	\$17,917
Great Falls College	103	25.8	212.5	166	49.1	351.8	139.3	\$17,917
Gallatin College	37	7.6	74.3	58	10.4	114.5	40.3	\$17,917
MSU Northern	1	0.2	2.0	24	5.5	48.9	46.9	\$17,917
Helena College	164	37.5	333.8	252	65.4	522.8	188.9	\$17,917
Highlands College	216	57.0	449.3	273	72.5	568.3	119.1	\$17,917
Missoula College	327	88.3	682.6	421	113.3	878.4	195.8	\$17,917
UM Western	1	0.8	2.8	1	1.2	3.3	0.5	
Dawson CC	0	0.0	0.0	7	2.0	14.7	14.7	
Flathead Valley CC	187	78.9	425.9	218	77.8	478.8	52.9	\$17,917
Miles CC*	3	1.5	7.2	2	0.5	4.1	-3.1	
Bitterroot College	3	1.3	6.8	14	4.1	29.7	22.8	\$17,917
Total	1180	348.3		1600	462.3			\$161,250

Undistributed Residual \$53,750
Semester Total \$215,000

Note: Gallatin, Highlands, Missoula, and City Colleges include dual enrollments from attached 4-yr campus

*for campuses with the vast majority dual enrollment occurring in the spring, progress will be based on annual enrollments calculated at the Spring census

Fall 2013 Dual Enrolled Students by High School

source: MUS Data Warehouse, CENSUS, PRELIM (does not include enrollment at FVCC)

High School	# of Early College Enrollments
Sentinel High School	187
Helena High School	107
Butte High School	91
Hellgate High School	91
Home School	91
Great Falls High School	86
Capital High School	67
Big Sky High School	65
Bozeman High School	52
Charles M Russell High School	45
Loyola-Sacred Heart HS	40
Anaconda High School	37
Unrecorded/Out-of-state High School	31
Whitefish High School	30
Billings Senior High School	25
Butte Central High	19
Stevensville High School	19
Havre Public High School	18
Jefferson High School	17
Billings West High School	15
Skyview High School	15
Belt High School	14
Laurel High School	13
Granite High School	12
Madison Valley Cons/Ennis High	12
Three Forks High School	12
Seeley-Swan High School	10
Paris Gibson Education Center	9
Cascade High School	8
Choteau High School	8
Grt Falls Central Catholic HS	7
Huntley Project High School	7
Red Lodge High Schoo	7
Frenchtown High School	6
Froid High School	6
Park City High School	6
Corvallis High School	5
Geyser High School	5
Red Lodge High School	5
Shepherd High School	5
Stanford High School	5
Anaconda Civilian Co	4
Drummond High School	4
Fairfield High School Dist 21	4
Big Sandy High School	3

Broadwater County High School	3
Circle High School	3
Hamilton High School	3
Harrison High School	3
Joliet High School	3
Reedpoint High School	3
American School	2
Arlee High School	2
Bigfork High School	2
Ennis High School	2
Fairview High School	2
Great Falls Central Cath HS	2
Hobson High School	2
Horace Mann Jr Hs	2
Moore High School	2
North Toole Co High School	2
Plenty Coups High School	2
Simms High School	2
Valier High School	2
Augusta High School	1
Billings Central Catholic Hs	1
Billings Christian Academy	1
Bozeman Christian School	1
Broadview High School	1
Conrad High School	1
Cut Bank High School	1
Darby High School	1
Dutton Public Schools	1
Grass Range High School	1
Great Falls Christian School	1
Hardin High School	1
Heart Butte High School	1
Hot Springs High School	1
Keystone National High School	1
Lavina High School	1
Lincoln Public Schools	1
Lodge Grass High School	1
Lone Peak High School	1
Manhattan Christian High Sch	1
Mt Helena Christian	1
MT-Forsyth High School	1
Petra Academy	1
Plains High School	1
Poplar High School	1
Power High School	1
Roy High School	1
Whitehall High Schoo	1
Winnett High School	1
Total	1398