

Denton Independent School District
NCTC Dual Credit Partnership Memorandum of Understanding
June 11, 2024

SUMMARY:

This item requests approval of the dual credit partnership memorandum of understanding between North Central Texas College and Denton ISD.

BOARD VALUE:

Teaching & Learning... In pursuit of excellence, we value the establishment of high expectations with a curriculum fostering inquiry, critical thinking, civic responsibility and exemplary citizenship. Opportunities for Students... In pursuit of excellence, we value supporting college, career, military, and life readiness.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

The Denton ISD Board of Trustees has approved prior year MOUs outlining a dual credit partnership with NCTC.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board defines dual credit as a process by which a high school student enrolls in a college course and receives simultaneous credit for the course from both the college and the high school. The credit earned in these courses is counted for both high school and college credit. Dual credit courses may be taught on the high school campus by an approved instructor, or a high school student may take a dual credit course on the college campus. Dual credit courses include both academic courses as well as CTE courses.

In Denton ISD, the dual credit program is a cooperative program between the Denton Independent School District and three partners -- Texas Woman's University (TWU), the University of North Texas (UNT), and North Central Texas College (NCTC).

The partnership agreement with NCTC, presented here, includes off campus and/or online instruction from NCTC professors. NCTC is also currently the exclusive provider of dual credit coursework.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

None

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

The cost of textbooks and course materials for students receiving free or reduced lunch will be borne through the Instructional Materials Allotment budget and CTE funding

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

The approval of this agreement will allow the District to support students in their academic and CTE courses.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the NCTC Dual Credit MOU for 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 be approved.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Grace Anne McKay, Director Advanced Academics
Carla Ruge-Fritz, Director CTE

Dr. Lisa Thibodeaux, Executive Director Secondary Curriculum

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: Dual Credit Partnership Memorandum of Understanding, Academic Years
2024-2025, 2025-2026

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation:  _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____