

College Credit in High School – Supporting Incoming Concurrent Enrollment Students



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CCHS Background

- *The College Credit in High School (CCHS) program partners with high schools to deliver a college experience that prepares students with the skills and courses they need to navigate the challenges of higher education and complete a meaningful degree*
- A few years ago, MSU Denver CCHS was able to reduce our cost for students and schools to the community college rate to offer more opportunities to Colorado high school students.



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Meet the CCHS Staff!

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CCHS OPTIONS!

- In High School (MSU Instructor)
 - In High School (Teacher)
 - Virtual Network
- ON Campus (In-person and online)
 - ASCENT/TREP



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Concurrent Enrollment

- Programs are available with no tuition cost for the student. They provide a head start on the collegiate journey, allowing students to get to graduation more quickly.



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Dual Enrollment

- Programs are available at a reduced tuition cost for Colorado high school students. They provide a head start on the collegiate journey, allowing students to get to graduation more quickly



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Virtual Network

- Select online courses available **ONLY** to Colorado high school students to take online
- Taught by MSU Denver instructors and are completely online and asynchronous.
- Spring 2024 offerings: **CJC 1010, HSP 1010, PHI 1010, NUT 2040**



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ASCENT/TREP

- **ASCENT** (5th year program) is a program offered by MSU Denver that allows eligible high school students to participate in concurrent enrollment (CE) the year after the 12th grade, enroll in college courses, and earn college credit at no tuition cost to them or their families
- **TREP** (5th and 6th year program) is a program offered by MSU Denver that allows eligible high school students to participate in concurrent enrollment (CE) the two years after the 12th grade, enroll in college courses, and earn college credit at no tuition cost to them or their families



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Benefits of College Credit in High School

- **Increase your likelihood of earning a degree** – Students navigate college processes and the challenges of college. As a result, they are less likely to drop out and more likely to complete a degree
- **Save time** - Students typically will spend less time in college and more time in their career
- **Save money** - CE or DE students end up saving hundreds or even thousands of dollars in tuition
- **Test the waters** -CE or DE can be a great chance to try college out without the risk of paying hundreds or thousands of dollars!



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CCHS Support

- Dedicated Advisors/support for off and on campus students
- Official Transcript support to and from MSU Denver (High School, AP, CC)
- Connect students to OTR (Orientation, Transition, and Reengagement)
- Status Change Request Form Process – Streamlined application process



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Campus Support

- CCHS supports students after they are CE, ASCENT, TREP as needed and can always utilize our office! (JSSB 330)
- Degree Planning Resources
- ASCENT/TREP Kickoff
- Fall and Spring FAFSA & Scholarship Workshops



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Questions?



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