Advance Adult Dual Enrollment for Your Community

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Since the adoption of Senate Bill (SB) 554 in 2019, an adult student pursuing a high school diploma (HSD) or a high school equivalency (HSE) certificate in California can benefit from dual enrollment. Dual enrollment allows learners to enroll as a special part-time student at a community college. Given its potential to equitably expand college access among California's nearly 400,000+ adult education students, adult dual enrollment (ADE) merits attention and expanded implementation.

Benefits

To Students

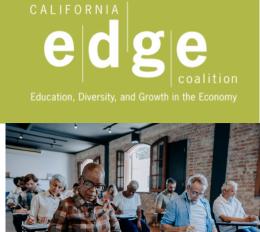
- Credit accumulation, and higher college grade point average
- Many colleges offer free tuition for dual enrollment students, and if there is a special partnership between the adult school and college called a College and Career Access Pathways Agreement, tuition, fees, and supplies are free
- Students may still be eligible for free College Promise programs after they earn their high school degree or GED even if they have some college through dual enrollment
- Access to college student services like counseling and tutoring
- Exposure to the college experience
- Credit earned from college classes may count toward both a high school diploma or equivalency, and a college certificate or degree

To Colleges

- Increased enrollment
- Apportionment at an enhanced rate roughly one-third higher than standard Full-Time Equivalent Student
- If an adult school is governed by a school district or county office of education they can be included in the California College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) agreement with the college district
- Ancillary improvements to cross-agency and internal (adult school or college) communications and collaboration

Need Help?

- For general information or to engage in policy action, visit https://www.caedge.org or email info@caedge.org
- For technical assistance and information to implement adult dual enrollment in your community, email dualenrollment@careerladdersproject.org



Call to Action

- Be a champion for adult dual enrollment! Inquire about the programming at your college and make implementation and/or expansion a priority for your governing board.
- Move toward board review and approval of adult dual enrollment policy or a formal Memorandum of Understanding among partners.
- Create an adult dual enrollment team that can help form datasharing agreements, advocate for broader understanding and commitment across their campuses, maintain open communication across partners, establish systems for student eligibility screening and admission, and help create person-to-person messaging of the benefits to increase student enrollment.

