#### **DUAL ENROLLMENT AGREEMENT**

Indian River State College And Synergy School of Tomorrow

Whereas Section (s) 1007.271 (24), **Florida Statutes**, requires state colleges and Private Schools to develop comprehensive Dual Enrollment Articulation agreements, the **District Board of Trustees for Indian River State College**, hereinafter referred to as the **TRUSTEES**, and **Synergy School of Tomorrow**, hereinafter referred to as the **PRIVATE SCHOOL**, have made the following determinations:

- A) Terms of this Agreement shall commence July 1, 2023, or on the last date approved by either party, whichever is later and end June 30, 2024, unless terminated as hereinafter provided.
- B) An Annual meeting shall take place between representatives from both institutions to review this Agreement, to assure both parties that it continues to serve their mutual interests and provide student opportunities.
- C) The parties may amend this agreement to comply with legislative updates upon receipt of further instructions or guidance from the Florida Department of Education.
- D) Either party shall have the right to terminate this Agreement by delivery of written notice to the other party not less than sixty (60) days prior to the effective date of said termination.
- E) The parties to this Agreement recognize that as provided under Section (s) 1007.271 (21), F.S., and SBE Rule 6A-14.064, accelerated mechanisms such as Dual Enrollment/Early College and advanced (college-level) instructional programs for qualified students from the Private Schools enhance learning opportunities and are required to be made available for those students.
- F) The parties will adopt an Agreement as provided in Section 1007.271 (21), F.S., and SBE Rule 6A-14.064, including:
  - 1. College Credit Dual Enrollment
  - 2. Vocational Credit Dual Enrollment

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the parties agree as follows:

**ARTICLE I.** Ratification of Existing Agreements: All existing Dual Enrollment agreements between the Trustees and the Private School are hereby modified to conform to the terms of this agreement and the appendices of this document.

**ARTICLE II.** <u>Program Description</u>: In accordance with Section 1007.271 (21), F.S., SBE Rule 6A-14.064, the Dual Enrollment program is the enrollment of an eligible secondary student in a postsecondary course creditable toward both high school completion and a career certificate, or high school completion and an associate degree. Dual Enrollment, an articulated accelerated mechanism offered jointly by the Trustees and The Private

School, shall broaden the scope of curricular options available to students and increase the depth of study available for a particular subject by offering college credit and post-secondary vocational courses to eligible high school students as provided in the Dual Enrollment Agreement. Stipulations regarding course content, program requirements, student evaluation, faculty credentials, college environment, and strategic planning for Dual Enrollment courses are covered in SBE Rule 6A-14.064 adopted by the State Board of Education and included within this Agreement, along with the IRSC Dual Enrollment Course list website link.

https://www.irsc.edu/programs/dual-enrollment-for-high-school-students.html

<u>Student Records</u>: The parties may provide personally identifiable student records to each other in the performance of this agreement. Such records are provided pursuant to Section 1002.22, F.S., and 20 U.S.C.A. 1232g. Each party further agrees to comply with Section 1002.22, F.S., and 20 U.S.C.A. 1232g, including but not limited to provisions related to confidentiality, access, consent, the length of retention, and security of student records. The Private School may provide 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> directory information to IRSC for the purpose of providing Dual Enrollment marketing information to prospective/current Dual Enrollment students.

## **Eligibility and Access:**

- 1. Students must be enrolled as a student in a Florida public or nonpublic secondary school (grades 6-12), or a home education program.
- 2. Students must have a 3.0 unweighted high school grade point average (GPA) based on four high school credits, in order to enroll in college credit courses, or a 2.0 high school unweighted GPA based on four high school credits to enroll in career technical education clock hour Dual Enrollment courses.
  - a. Indian River State College and the schools in our geographical region have agreed to use four high school credits to establish the minimum GPA requirement. We believe that this requirement provides a strong academic standard that leads to a higher probability of success for participating dual enrollment students. This standard is in line with our commitment to student success.
- 3. Students must maintain the minimum college GPA of 2.0 for continued enrollment in the Dual Enrollment Program.
- 4. For college credit courses, students must demonstrate college readiness by achieving or exceeding minimum scores on Common Placement Exams or Alternative Placement Exams as provided under SBE Rule 6A-10.0315.
- 5. Eligible students may participate in the dual enrollment program by using Alternative Placement Methods upon approval from their high school counselor.
- 6. Students must meet or exceed the following Common Placement Test scores to demonstrate college readiness:

Florida Postsecondary Education Readiness Test (PERT)	Standard Score		
Reading	106		
Writing	103		
Mathematics	114		
Next-Generation ACCUPLACER, The College Board (Interim Scores) Through July 2022			
Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra, and Statistics (QAS)	242		
Reading	245		
Writing	245		
Next-Generation ACCUPLACER, The College Board Since August 2022			
Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra, and Statistics (QAS)	261		
Reading	256		
Writing	253		
SAT, The College Board			
Reading Test	24		
Writing and Language Test	25		
Math Test	24		
Digital SAT, The College Board Since June 2023			
Reading and Writing Section	490		
Math Section	480		
ACT with Writing or ACT, Inc.			
Reading	19		
English	17		
Mathematics	19		
Classic Learning Test, Classic Learning Initiatives, LLC Since August 2023			
Sum of the Verbal Reasoning and Grammar/Writing Sections	38		
Quantitative Reasoning Section	16		

7. Students must meet or exceed the following Alternative Placement Test scores to demonstrate college readiness:

PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT 10, The College Board	Standard Score	
Reading Test	24	
Writing and Language Test	25	
Mathematics Test	24	
Digital PSAT/NMSQT and PSAT 10, The College Board Since June 2023		
Reading and Writing Section	490	
Mathematics Section	480	

PreACT®		
Reading	22	
English	18	
Mathematics	22	
General Educational Development (GED®) Test		
Reasoning Through Language Arts	165	
Mathematical Reasoning	165	
Test Assessing Secondary Completion (TASC™)		
Language Arts Reading	580	
Language Arts Writing	560 and 6 on Essay	
Mathematics	560	
High School Equivalency Test (HiSET®)		
Language Arts Reading	15	
Language Arts Writing	15	
Mathematics	15	
End-of-Course Assessments		
Algebra 1 End-of-Course Assessment	4	
Geometry End-of-Course Assessment	4	
ALEKS® PPL		
Mathematics	30	

- 8. When students are using the PERT to prove college readiness, they must test in Reading, English, and Math, unless they have met the minimum requirements via an approved alternate placement method.
- 9. Students who have accumulated twelve (12) college credit hours and have not yet demonstrated proficiency in all of the basic competency areas of reading, writing and mathematics must be advised in writing by the Private School of the requirements for Associate degree completion and state university admission, including information about future financial aid eligibility and the potential costs of accumulating excessive college credit, as outlined in Section 1009.286 F.S.
- 10. Students must complete and submit the Dual Enrollment Program Agreement form (IRSC 508) with approval from their high school guidance counselor and parent or guardian if the student is under 18 years of age.

- 11. Students must receive approval from their high school guidance counselor for registered courses.
- 12. If applicable, students must complete course registration forms (IRSC 68) with all appropriate signatures.
- 13. Students who are scheduled to graduate from high school prior to the completion of a Dual Enrollment course, are not eligible to participate in the Dual Enrollment program.
- 14. Students who have met high school graduation requirements or all requirements for an Associate's degree are no longer eligible to participate in the Dual Enrollment Program. Students who would like to further their education at IRSC may apply after their high school graduation.
- 15. Students must meet any additional eligibility criteria specified by the postsecondary institution in the Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreement.
- 16. Students may not have been recommended for expulsion or expelled from a secondary school where the student attends or attended. Students who are enrolled in dual enrollment course(s) prior to being recommended for expulsion or being expelled may be permitted to finish the course(s) that they are already enrolled in, but they may not be permitted to enroll in or register for the additional course(s).
- 17. IRSC and the Trustees have the sole and absolute decision to permit or deny the enrollment of any student recommended in accordance with paragraph 14 above or who is not otherwise eligible for enrollment in Dual Enrollment. Further, IRSC or the Trustees may require additional information from a student and/or the DISTRICT to assist in making any such determination.

#### **Course Lists and Credit:**

- Any college credit course comprising 3 credits or higher and/or any vocational clock hour course comprising 75 hours or higher that is listed in the State Common Course Numbering System (SCNS) for postsecondary credit can be considered for Dual Enrollment.
- 2. Students should not enroll in courses that are less than three (3) credit hours or not on the Approved Dual Enrollment list. Such courses are not a part of the Dual Enrollment Program. This does not apply to one (1) credit hour lab courses that are required co-requisites to a Dual Enrollment approved three (3) credit hour course. Students who need less than three (3) credit hours to graduate with an Associate's degree should consult with their advisor for options to complete. Recommendations outside of the Dual Enrollment program must be approved by a campus IRSC Dual Enrollment Official.
- 3. Courses that meet high school graduation requirements are listed in the DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSE EQUIVALENCY LIST.
- 4. All high schools shall accept these postsecondary courses toward meeting the requirements of Section 1003.43, F.S.
- Physical Education, College Preparatory courses, and private music lessons are excluded from this Agreement. Any changes necessary during the academic year will be mutually agreed upon by the articulation representatives of Indian River State College and the Private School.

 Approval of courses for Dual Enrollment does not guarantee applicability toward satisfaction of eligibility requirements for Florida Bright Futures scholarships. Students are responsible for checking with the Office of Student Financial Assistance for eligibility requirements.

# **Notice to Participate:**

IRSC will notify students, parents, and school counselors of the opportunities to participate in DE by:

- 1. Providing information sessions each academic year.
- 2. Visiting each high school to provide information and support to high school counselors.
- 3. Coordinating efforts to answer questions, provide materials, and direct inquiries from students and parents interested in dual enrollment.
- 4. Sending students and/or parents a letter informing them of the options to participate in Dual Enrollment.
- 5. Hosting a middle and high school guidance counselor annual event to update and inform area counselors of Dual Enrollment opportunities for students as well as other opportunities at IRSC.
- 6. Working collaboratively with high school contacts to host Dual Enrollment information sessions on the high school campuses after school hours.

The school will notify students, parents, and school counselors of the opportunities to participate in DE by:

- 1. Holding annual Dual Enrollment sessions to learn about eligibility and access opportunities.
- 2. Providing eligible students, the options to participate in Dual Enrollment.
- 3. Having a dedicated Dual Enrollment page on the Private School website.
- 4. Advertising IRSC Dual Enrollment Information Sessions to students and parents.
- 5. Allowing on-campus Dual Enrollment application help sessions with students.

#### **Special Programs**

1. Early College Program: The Early College Program will serve 11th and 12th grade students. Students participating in the Early College Program are required by Section 1007.273 to enter into a student performance contract, which must be signed by each participating student, the parent or guardian, a representative of the school, and a representative of Indian River State College. Early College enrollment processes are the same as those for Dual Enrollment with the following eligibility requirements.

#### Student Eligibility and Access:

a. Students must be enrolled as a student in a Florida public or nonpublic secondary school.

- b. Students must be in 11th or 12th grade.
- c. Students must demonstrate college readiness on Common Placement Exams or Alternative Placement Exams as provided under SBE Rule 6A-10.0315.
- d. Students must have a minimum of a 3.0 unweighted GPA.
- e. Students must be on track to graduate from high school.
- f. Students must successfully complete a minimum of 30 credit hours each academic year.
- g. Students must enroll in a minimum of 12 college credit hours per semester.
- h. Students who fall below the full-time status are no longer part of the Early College Program but may be eligible to continue to participate in the Dual Enrollment Program.
- 2. <u>Dual Enrollment Success Academy (DESA) Program</u>: The Dual Enrollment Success Academy Program is for 12<sup>th</sup> grade students who have met specific eligibility requirements and are seeking college credits prior to graduation. Specific program tracks and courses with a higher likelihood for success are made available for (DESA) students. Dual Enrollment Success Academy enrollment processes are the same as those for Dual Enrollment with the following eligibility requirements.

## Student Eligibility and Access:

- a. Students must be in 12th grade.
- b. Students must take an approved Common or Alternative Placement Test and scores must be submitted.
- c. Students may participate if they have a 3.0 unweighted GPA without the minimum placement scores.
- d. Students may participate with a minimum of a 2.5 unweighted GPA and has demonstrated college readiness via an approved Common or Alternative Placement Test in Reading.
- e. Students must be on track to graduate from high school.
- f. Students who fail or withdraw from a course will not be eligible to continue in the DESA program.
- g. No exceptions are allowed for this program.
- h. Students may participate in the following courses, not to exceed two courses within a semester and four courses in their senior year.

Course Number	Course Title	College Credits
SLS1101	Student Success	3
SLS1261	Essentials to Contemporary Leadership	3
GEB1011	Introduction to Business	3
MAN2021	Principles of Management	3
DIG1115	Digital Imaging Fundamentals with Photoshop	3
DIG2030	Digital Video Fundamentals	3
GRA2160	Digital Animation I	3
HUM1020	Intro to Humanities	3
BSC1005	Life Science	3
SLS1261	Essentials to Contemporary Leadership	3

3. Employment Ready Dual Enrollment - The Employment Ready Dual Enrollment Program is for high school students who would like to develop technical skills with an emphasis on 21st Century employment opportunities. Students may pursue approved Associate in Science (AS) degrees. Employment Ready Dual Enrollment processes are the same as those for Dual Enrollment with the following eligibility requirements.

### Student Eligibility and Access:

- a. Students must be in 10th, 11th or 12th grade.
- b. Students must demonstrate college readiness via a common or alternative placement exam to participate in college related courses.
- c. Students may participate with a minimum of a 2.5 unweighted GPA and has demonstrated college readiness on a Common or Alternative Placement Exam.
- d. Students must be on track to graduate from high school.
- e. Students may enroll in a maximum of 6 college credit hours per semester.

## **New Students:**

- New (first-time) Associate in Arts degree-seeking students are required to complete SLS1101 – Student Success during their first semester of attendance. Students must have an unweighted high school GPA of 3.0 and must demonstrate college readiness by achieving or exceeding minimum scores on Common or Alternative Placement Exams in Reading to participate in this course.
- 2. New (first time) Vocational or Clock hour Dual Enrollment students are not required to take SLS1101.
- 3. New students are recommended to participate in no more than two, 3 credit courses during their first semester. One of the two courses must be SLS1101.
- 4. New students are recommended to complete the Dual Enrollment New Student Orientation (NSO), which includes information on college policies, procedures, resources, expectations, and other essential items that help support student success.

### **Exceptions**

- In Private Schools where exceptions are allowed, a Private School Dual Enrollment
  Official must complete and submit the Dual Enrollment Exceptions Request form
  with supporting documentation for the request to an IRSC Dual Enrollment Official.
  The Dual Enrollment Exceptions Request must be approved by the IRSC Dual
  Enrollment Official for the student to be allowed to participate in dual enrollment.
- 2. Private Schools are not required to allow exceptions. Students should consult with their high school counselor for the Private School's policies for exceptions.
- 3. Exceptions to the GPA requirement may be considered upon written documentation and approval from a Private School Official and a college approved representative.
- 4. Decisions for GPA exceptions will be based on high school justification, the academic rigor of the course, placement scores, and another academic history.
- 5. Exceptions are not allowed for Special Programs.
- 6. An Associate degree or certification is not guaranteed in the Dual Enrollment program, but exceptions to the 60-credit maximum rule may be considered at the request of the Private School Official for students pursuing their Associate degree or certificate. Course(s) requested must be creditable toward high school completion and Associate degree or certificate.

# **Summer Enrollment:**

- 1. Students are recommended to enroll in a maximum of 12 credits over the Summer.
- Students who were unsuccessful in a course in the Fall or Spring semester may retake the course during the Summer sessions at no cost, but must have approval from their high school counselor and they must meet with their IRSC advisor prior to taking the course.

# **Student Support:**

- 1. IRSC staff members and High school counselors and will work together to ensure that each student meets the academic eligibility requirements for Dual Enrollment courses.
- High school guidance counselors are responsible for assisting the student to identify college courses that also meet high school graduation requirements; see Dual Enrollment Course Offerings on the IRSC Dual Enrollment Page at the college website: <a href="https://www.irsc.edu/programs/dual-enrollment-for-high-school-students.html">https://www.irsc.edu/programs/dual-enrollment-for-high-school-students.html</a>
- 3. IRSC Student Success and Advising staff will:
  - a. Ensure dual enrollment students are properly identified as such in the IRSC registration system.
  - b. Ensure that an individualized student Guided Pathway/Academic plan is developed and implemented for each Dual Enrollment student.
  - c. Provide ongoing advisement to students regarding their progression in College courses and programs.
  - d. Provide the Private School with the student's grades at the end of the term electronically through the DEAN system.

- e. Provide Dual Enrollment students with the use of all of IRSC's academic support resources. Students are encouraged to utilize services such as Career and Transfer Services, Academic Support Centers, and Libraries. Students may also access the IRSC website for detailed information on degrees, programs, and resources.
- 4. Indian River State College provides reasonable accommodations to students with documented disabilities through the Student Accessibility Services Office. Listed below are the services available to eligible students:
  - a. Notetakers
  - b. Testing Accommodations
  - c. Assistive Technology
  - d. Readers
  - e. Scribes
  - f. Sign Language Interpreters
  - g. Alternative Text

### **Advising Services:**

- 1. Dual Enrollment students will be assigned an IRSC advisor during their first term of enrollment. They will meet with their advisor to customize a Guided Pathway/Academic plan based upon their academic and career goals. This plan will then be used by the student and the high school counselor in subsequent semesters to determine appropriate Dual Enrollment courses that can be taken.
  - a. Students are responsible for scheduling a meeting with their assigned Advisor to complete their Guided Pathway/Academic Plan, within their first semester.
  - b. Students are responsible for communicating any changes to their Guided Pathway/Academic Plan to their high school counselor.
- Dual Enrollment students will be able to access their Guided Pathway/Academic Plan online via their MyPioneerPortal, where it can also be utilized to search for available classes each semester.
  - a. This plan will ensure that Dual Enrollment students remain "on track" for a college degree. High school counselors are responsible for ensuring that all applicable high school graduation requirements are met.
- 3. Dual Enrollment students complete the registration process by selecting appropriate college classes, in consultation with their high school counselor and their assigned college advisor, based upon their Guided Pathway/Academic plan. Upon selection of the classes, they may register online for courses approved by their high school counselor.
- 4. IRSC provides high school counselors with online access to:
  - The student's Guided Pathway/Academic plan
  - Transcript of grades
  - Student Academic Progress Report, test scores, and placement values
  - Academic planning comments
  - Student class schedule
  - Email links to the student's IRSC counselor/advisor

 Electronic notification of student withdrawals and drops from IRSC Dual Enrollment classes.

# <u>Grades</u>

- 1. A Letter grade of a "D" may not always count as successful completion pursuant to state rule SBE Rule 6A-10.030 F.A.C.
- 2. All grades are calculated into students' GPA and will appear on his/her college transcript.
- 3. All grades, including "W" for withdrawal, become part of the student's permanent college transcript and may affect subsequent postsecondary admission and financial aid eligibility.
- 4. A letter grade of "I" for which coursework is not completed by the end of the following semester will be converted to an "F" or a "U" (Unsatisfactory), depending upon the grading method of the class. Courses evaluated for U graded credit will not convert to any other type of grade.
  - a. If a student receives an "I", it is the sole responsibility of the student to satisfy the requirements for the course and notify the school when the final grade change posts.
  - b. An "I" must be reconciled before future Dual Enrollment eligibility is determined.
  - c. If the result of the "I" Incomplete is "U" Unsatisfactory, the student must follow the rule for "Unsuccessful attempts" in the Second and Third Course Attempts section.
- 5. Section 1007.271(21), F.S. requires school districts to "weigh Dual Enrollment courses the same as Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and Advanced International Certificate of Education courses when grade point averages are calculated. Alternative grade calculation, weighting systems that discriminate against Dual Enrollment courses are prohibited."
- 6. According to Section 1007.271 (21), F.S., students who are eligible for Dual Enrollment shall be permitted to enroll in Dual Enrollment courses conducted during school hours, after school hours, and during the summer.
- 7. Students who complete a three (3), four (4), or five (5) credit Dual Enrollment course at IRSC with a passing grade will earn at least one-half (1/2) credit in the designated subject towards the high school diploma unless credit is otherwise assigned by the Dual Enrollment Equivalency List.
- 8. Grades awarded by IRSC are not subject to change by the Private School or its representatives, including a "W". State BOARD Rule 6A-1.09941, F.A.C., State Uniform Transfer of High School Credits, establishes uniform procedures related to the high school's acceptance of transfer credit for students in Florida's public schools.

# **Second and Third Course Attempts**

- 1. Unsuccessful attempts and withdrawals
  - a. Students needing to attempt courses more than once will be required to meet with their IRSC assigned advisor prior to any re-enrollment.

- b. Students who were unsuccessful in a course cannot take additional Dual Enrollment classes until they have retaken and completed that course.
- c. Students who withdraw from a course cannot take additional Dual Enrollment classes until they have retaken and completed that course.
- d. High school guidance counselors may recommend an alternative course jointly agreed upon by the student and an IRSC assigned advisor via the student's Guided Pathway/Academic plan.
- e. Repeated course attempts will be at the student's own expense or they may opt to enroll during the Summer.
- f. Students must adhere to all of the College's withdrawal procedures including talking with their instructor before withdrawing from a course.

# 2. Third Course Attempts

- a. Students who are unsuccessful in a course two consecutive times will not be permitted to enroll for one term (Fall, Spring, or Full Summer) following the term in which they were unsuccessful.
- b. For third course attempts, the Dual Enrollment Exceptions Request form must be submitted to an IRSC Official, by a Private School Official, describing the reasons for the failed attempts and a plan of action for success.
- c. If a student is approved to take a course for the third time, they may incur a third attempt surcharge for that course and will be at the expense of the student during the Fall, Spring, or Summer semester.

# **Student Standards of Conduct**

- 1. From IRSC's Student Handbook: The College looks upon its students as mature individuals at an age of responsibility for their actions. The following regulations were designed by the students, staff, and faculty in order to ensure compliance with state and county laws and to promote the safe, efficient operation of the College. Violations of these regulations will be referred to the Vice President for Student Success for appropriate action, which may include a Student Affairs Committee. Failure to respond to a summons by letter, telephone call, or message delivered by an IRSC employee concerning a matter of conduct is considered a violation of the student code of conduct. (See Administration of Student Discipline)
- 2. TRUSTEE Policy Number 6Hx11-7.24: Any student who accepts the privilege of enrollment at Indian River State College is deemed to have given his or her consent to adhere to the policies of the College and the laws of the State of Florida. Students shall conduct themselves in a manner compatible with the College's function as an educational institution.
- 3. Student Standards of Conduct are applicable on campus, at off-campus locations or activities, and while using College facilities or equipment.
- 4. Each student shall assume responsibility for familiarity with College policies and agree to the highest moral and ethical standards of conduct including, but not limited to the following:
  - a. To uphold and abide by all College policies and procedures including those of the Campus Coalition Government;

- b. To respect each student's right to learn in all educational environments;
- c. To participate and contribute to class discussions and activities to the best of his or her ability;
- d. To make responsible use of all College facilities and equipment including electronic communications with faculty, staff, and other students;
- e. To demonstrate respect towards other students, faculty, staff, administrators, and other persons employed by the College;
- f. To respect instructor grading policies and to adhere to the highest standards of academic honesty;
- g. To acknowledge and comply with reasonable requests for student assistance or service by College personnel whenever possible;
- h. To extend courtesy, integrity, and good citizenship to all individuals at the College;
- i. To refrain from engaging in activities or conduct that might discredit or disrupt the College or its employees, students, and visitors.
- 5. Misconduct for which students are subject to discipline falls into the following categories:
  - a. Dishonesty, such as cheating, plagiarism, or knowingly furnishing false information to the College.
  - b. Forgery, alteration, or misuse of College documents, records, or identification.
  - c. Obstruction or disruption of teaching, research, administration of disciplinary procedures, or other College activities, including its public service functions, or conduct which threatens or endangers the health or safety of any such persons.
  - d. Theft or damage to property of the College or of a member of the College community or campus visitor.
  - e. Unauthorized entry to or use of College facilities.
  - f. Violation of College policies or campus regulations including campus regulations concerning the registration of student organizations; the use of College facilities; or the time, place, and manner of public expressions.
  - g. Consumption, use, possession, distribution, or involvement with alcohol, illegal drugs, or substances, (e.g. heroin, cocaine, LSD, barbiturates, hallucinogens, narcotics, marijuana) or presence when/ where these substances are being used or consumed.
  - h. Disorderly conduct or lewd, indecent, or obscene conduct or expression on the College-owned property or at College-supervised functions.
  - i. Failure to comply with directions of College officials acting in the performance of their duties.
  - j. Conduct that adversely affects the student's suitability as a member of the academic community. Students who aid others in disciplinary infractions are also subject to disciplinary action.
  - k. Acts of sexual assault/battery (rape) or other forms of sexual misconduct, including harassment, exploitation, intimidation, or coercion.
  - I. Any act which results in the student being suspended or expelled from the secondary school to which they are assigned by the School.

 In addition to the TRUSTEE's and IRSC's Standards of Conduct, Students shall remain bound and subject to any DISTRICT or secondary school rules, regulations, and responsibilities while the student is enrolled in dual enrollment coursework.

# **Instructional Quality and Evaluation:**

- 1. The Trustees shall accept the responsibility for all courses and certification of faculty as prescribed in SBE Rule 6A-14.064 Credit Dual Enrollment.
- 2. In all cases, faculty must meet IRSC faculty credentialing criteria. These IRSC criteria apply to all faculty teaching post-secondary courses regardless of the physical location of the course being taught.
  - a. IRSC at the request of the high school principal/designee will work together to identify teachers for Dual Enrollment courses.
  - b. The adjunct faculty certification process must be completed by August 1st to be eligible to teach for the Fall Semester and by November 1st to be eligible for the Spring Semester.
  - c. Each prospective teacher must complete the steps of the adjunct faculty certification process. High School site Dual Enrollment instructors must contact IRSC instructional dean/designee to inquire about additional training sessions required for specific disciplines.
  - d. Additional training is required for SLS1101 instructors.
- 3. Indian River State College, as the postsecondary institution awarding credit, shall ensure that all faculty teaching Dual Enrollment courses meet these qualifications. All instructors must be certified by the Trustees.
- 4. If the parties agree to utilize instructors employed by the Private School, those instructors shall meet the same IRSC certification qualifications as other instructors employed by the Trustees.
- 5. IRSC and the Private School shall collaborate to ensure full compliance with all IRSC faculty certification procedures and SACSCOC Principles of Accreditation.
- 6. The President or designee, for the Trustees, shall assign the instructors for all classes offered in accordance with this agreement.
- 7. A passing grade in a Dual Enrollment course indicates mastery of the performance standards for the course.
- 8. IRSC and secondary schools shall collaborate to ensure full compliance with accreditation standards regarding the number of college credit courses which may be offered on a high school site.
- 9. IRSC instructional deans/designees must be granted unrestricted unannounced access to high school Dual Enrollment classes to observe the quality of instruction.
- 10.IRSC shall provide all instructors teaching Dual Enrollment courses with the approved course plans, syllabi, course objectives, learning outcomes assessments, and final exams.
- 11. All instructors teaching Dual Enrollment courses shall provide a copy of any modifications to a course syllabus to the appropriate IRSC Department Chair or Academic Dean prior to the start of each term.

12. All adjunct faculty teaching Dual Enrollment courses shall be provided with electronic access to the IRSC Adjunct Faculty Handbook and IRSC Student Handbook.

## **High School Site Course Offerings**

- 1. Service region public schools may be approved to offer up to four (4) dual enrollment courses at high school sites within an academic year. Each approved course will be assigned to the high school location for a period of 4 years from the date that the course was originally approved.
- 2. To request a course to be offered on an approved site, a School Designee must complete and submit the Dual Enrollment High School Course Request Form to Indian River State College. The request will be forwarded to the appropriate Instructional Dean for review.
- 3. Specific courses that may be offered at a site are those that were approved within the 2021-2022 academic year. Any changes require administrative approval in advance by the Chief Academic Officer.
- 4. Each additional course must be approved to ensure that sites do not exceed course and section limits.
- 5. The deadline for Fall semester course requests shall be the April 1st before that semester and the deadline for Spring semester course requests shall be the September 1st before that semester. Requests must be submitted prior to the College's scheduled deadlines.
- 6. Courses taught on an IRSC approved secondary school campus, by one of the high school's regular teachers who have been interviewed by, certified by, and approved by Indian River State College must adhere to the College's rules, regulations, policies, and practices in the same manner as any other IRSC adjunct faculty member. This includes attending an annual meeting, using the departmentally selected learning resources, curriculum, learning outcomes assessments, Learning Management Systems (LMS), and all other requirements as specified by the College.
- 7. Classes offered in a high school setting will maintain a collegial atmosphere with minimum interruptions in instructional time as established by SBE Rule 6A-14.064.
- Classes held at the high school sites will be offered in accordance with Indian River State College's academic calendar and will start and end within the academic period.
- 9. Secondary schools that do not have a signed Dual Enrollment agreement with Indian River State College cannot offer a Dual Enrollment course(s)/lab. Students enrolled in such classes/labs will not receive credit from IRSC.
- 10. When Dual Enrollment instruction is provided on the high school site by an Indian River State College faculty member, the Private school shall reimburse the costs associated with the proportion of salary and benefits and other actual costs of the college to provide the instruction. Online Dual Enrollment courses which are taught by an Indian River State College faculty member are subject to this provision.

11. When a Dual Enrollment course is held on the high school campus and instruction is provided by Private school faculty, the Private School is responsible for the College's actual costs associated with offering the program. Indian River State College and the Private School agree to share in these other actual costs; therefore, no charges will be assessed. Online Dual Enrollment courses which are taught by Private school faculty approved by IRSC to teach the course are subject to this provision.

# Responsibilities:

- 1. Students enrolled in Dual Enrollment classes in accordance with this Agreement are exempt from payment of registration, matriculation, and laboratory fees.
- 2. A Private School may not deny a student access to Dual Enrollment unless the student is ineligible to participate in the program subject to provisions specifically outlined in this Agreement.
- 3. Students and/or the Private School are responsible for transportation to and from Dual Enrollment classes.
- 4. The President or designee, for the Trustees, shall have the responsibility for the selection of textbook and courses materials in accordance with this Agreement.
- 5. The Trustees shall provide the instructional materials used in courses offered in accordance with this Agreement. The President or designee, for the Trustees, approve and agree upon procedures and conditions for the purchase, resale, and any reimbursement for instructional materials.
- 6. All textbooks and reusable course materials become the property of the College at the end of the course and must be returned by the student using the course materials. Materials not returned in a timely manner will result in a student fine and delay in receiving new semester materials.
- 7. The Private School shall be responsible for the payment of instructors employed by the Private School for courses offered in accordance with this agreement.
- 8. The Trustees shall issue payment for an instructional time rendered by an instructor employed by the Trustees and in accordance with the current AAUP contract.
- 9. Insurance fees will be paid by the student unless the Private School provides appropriate insurance for coverage.
- 10. Class size, locations, and time of course offerings will be approved by the President or designee, for the Trustees.
- 11. Academic policies including grading, course withdrawals and repeats, and attendance will be in accordance with the College Catalog for Indian River State College, SBE Rule 6A-14.064.
- 12. Private School counselors and IRSC advisors will work collaboratively to ensure students' Dual Enrollment registration eligibility.
- 13. Students and parents shall sign an acknowledgment of the following college course-level expectations:
  - a. Students must register for courses by the deadline established by the Private School. Registration deadlines established by the Private School, however, cannot exceed the last date of registration allowed by IRSC. Private Schools without established deadlines shall use IRSC's established deadlines.

- b. College course materials and class discussions may reflect topics not typically included in secondary courses. College courses will not be modified to accommodate variations in student age and/or maturity. Parents should review the course syllabus before enrolling their student to determine if the content is age appropriate. All IRSC course syllabi may be accessed and reviewed at <a href="https://irsc.simplesyllabus.com/en-US/syllabus-library">https://irsc.simplesyllabus.com/en-US/syllabus-library</a>.
- c. Courses will be selected to meet degree/certificate requirements in order to minimize student, Private School, college, and state costs for excess hours.
- d. Dual Enrollment students are expected to contact their instructor if they are having challenges in a specific course. As such, the student, and not a parent or guardian, should address concerns, complaints, and challenges.
- e. Dual Enrollment Students must maintain their ongoing eligibility requirements, which include those requirements stated hereinabove in paragraph Eligibility and Access, subparagraphs 1, 2, 3, 9, 13, and 16.
- f. Students are expected to comply with all IRSC, TRUSTEE, DISTRICT, and secondary school rules, regulations, policies, codes, and codes of conduct while enrolled in Dual Enrollment.
- 14. Private Schools must notify IRSC's Vice President for Student Success if one of their new or participating Dual Enrollment students has been identified as a potential threat to the safety of others and/or has been expelled from his/her secondary school. Students who have been identified as a potential threat to the safety of others or who have been expelled may not be permitted to participate or continue in the Dual Enrollment course(s) previously described.
- 15. Private Schools must notify an IRSC Dual Enrollment Official if one of their participating Dual Enrollment students has been expelled from his/her secondary school.
- 16. IRSC must notify the appropriate Private School if a Dual Enrollment student is expelled from IRSC.

**ARTICLE III.** Evaluation of the Agreement: This agreement shall be renewed annually unless both parties request a change or termination, in which case a change or termination will be given in writing by either party sixty (60) days prior to such change or termination taking place. Evaluation of the Agreement will take place throughout the school year and will include identification of problems, needed corrective actions, new strategies, and the associated costs to implement those strategies. New courses will be added to the *Dual Enrollment Equivalency List* once approved by the DOE.

This Agreement is subject to all pertinent state and federal laws and regulations of the Department of Education, State of Florida, Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and all regulations, rules, and guidelines promulgated thereunder. The parties expressly agree to maintain records in compliance with the Florida Public Records Act subject only to the privacy rights guaranteed by applicable state and federal laws and regulations.

In the unlikely, an event of any local natural disaster, or pandemic, which may disrupt program services, and or access to these services, the College may make modifications to this agreement as supported by the Florida statutes F.S. 1007.271 and communicated to the secondary institution in writing by the Vice President of Enrollment and Student Services within 30 days of the change.

Specifically, nothing contained herein shall be deemed a waiver of Sovereign Immunity or any statutory limitation on liability of either party. Nor shall any provision of this Agreement be deemed to require either party to indemnify or hold harmless the other. Notwithstanding, anything stated in this Agreement to the contrary, this Agreement and all provisions contained herein shall be subjected to and governed by Sec. 768.28, F.S., as amended.

Specifically, neither party shall exclude any person from participation, discriminate against, or deny any services or benefits to any person enrollment or participation in the Dual Enrollment program based upon the grounds of race, color, sex, religion, mental or physical disability, age, political affiliation, belief, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation or perceived sexual orientation, or association with any person with, or perceived to have, one or more of the above named characteristics.

This agreement may be signed in separate parts.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties have caused this instrument to be signed in their respective names by their proper official, under these official seals, the day and year written below:

Indian River State College	SYNERGY SCHOOL OF TOMORROW
Anthony D. George Jr., Chair	Dr. Donnelyn Khourie, Head of Schools
Date:	Date:
Attest: Timothy Moore, Ph.D., President	