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High School Students Can Get College Credits through New River’s Dual Enrollment Classes

Greenbrier Valley high school students have the opportunity to begin college early by enrolling in high school classes which offer dual credit with New River Community and Technical College.

Guidance offices at James Monroe High School, Monroe County Technical Center, Pocahontas County High School, Greenbrier West High School, and Greenbrier East High School have information on dual credit classes at their schools.

“Parents of high school sophomores, juniors and seniors at each of the high schools should look into having their child enroll in these classes,” notes Roger Griffith, dean of the New River Greenbrier Valley Campus. “We are seeing students fresh out of high school enrolling at our campus and bringing with them as much as a full year of college credit already accumulated through the dual enrollment program.”

For a student to enroll in a dual credit class, they must register through their guidance office and also register as a New River student and pay a very low tuition rate for each class. “The tuition is a fraction of the normal tuition for a New River class, yet the credit the student receives upon successfully completing the class is the same as any other college class credit,” Griffith adds. Dual enrollment credits are also transferable from New River to other accredited colleges.

Information on the classes offered at the area high schools can be obtained from the guidance office at each of the high schools and from the New River Greenbrier Valley Campus office at 304-647-6560. The enrollment period for these classes is limited to the first couple of weeks of high school, Griffith noted.
Other area high schools interested in participating in the dual enrollment classes can contact the New River Greenbrier Valley Campus to find out how to offer the classes at their high school.

Some 500 high school students are expected to participate in the New River dual credit classes this year.

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