

TCHS Early College Program

Troy Christian High School recognizes that many high school students are ready for the rigors of college courses. Students in 10-12 grades may select from twelve college courses offered on TCHS's campus or select a college or university off campus. After successful completion of a course, a college transcript is issued by selected college.

- Students can earn up to 42 semester credit hours on TCHS's campus.
- Ninety-eight percent of students chose to stay on campus for their early college experience.
- Students have college courses taught by Christian educators.
- Students can take college courses and continue to experience all the advantages of high school life at Troy Christian – chapel, ESM Week, missions, service and leadership opportunities, and extra-curricular activities in a Christ-centered learning environment.
- Early college program on TCHS's campus follows TCHS's calendar.
- All college courses are honors courses and are weighted unless noted differently.
(College courses have replaced many of our traditional honors & Advanced Placement (AP) courses previously offered. AP testing is available. Students must meet with the Guidance Director in fall to discuss).
- Many students are entering college as a sophomore.
- Huge college financial savings.

College courses are available through the Post Secondary Enrollment Option Program (PSEOP) and/or the Dual Enrollment Program. **Students can participate in both programs.**

Troy Christian College Faculty

College classes are taught by Troy Christian faculty approved as adjunct instructors by one of the four colleges or universities in our partnership. Each faculty member teaching a college course has earned his or her Master's degree; has experience teaching the content area; and has successfully completed summer training with the college or university; and meets all requirements set by the Ohio Board of Regents to teach college courses at the high school level. Troy Christian has eight highly qualified adjunct teachers.

Post Secondary Enrollment Option Program (PSEOP)

This is an opportunity for juniors and seniors to enroll in college classes and fulfill both high school and college academic requirements. Students can attend a college or university off campus or enroll in classes on TCHS's campus offered by Mount Vernon Nazarene University.

PSEO classes and textbooks are paid by the Ohio Department of Education. Any student considering the PSEOP must have at least one parent attend the Parent Information Meeting required by the Ohio Department of Education and complete the required paperwork. A student must meet the requirements of both the Ohio Department of Education and TCHS to participate in the program and be accepted by Mount Vernon Nazarene University. Students can participate in the PSEOP at a college or university off campus but **students can only enroll in one college or university for the PSEOP.**

The Ohio Department of Education (ODE) determines how many semester credit hours each student applying will receive. Students are notified in the summer by ODE. Seniors usually received 8 semester credit hours and juniors 4 or 8 semester credit hours.

Dual Enrollment Program

This is an opportunity for 10-12 graders to enroll in college classes and fulfill both high school and college academic requirements. These courses are offered on TCHS's campus through our partnerships with **Edison Community College, Urbana University and Indiana Wesleyan University**. Students are charged a very reasonable cost per credit hour and Troy Christian pays for books/resources required. **Students may enroll in more than one college or university for dual enrollment courses.**

PSEOP and Dual Enrollment Requirements and Course Offerings

Mount Vernon Nazarene University PSEOP acceptance's requirements:

- 3.2 cumulative grade point average in all high school work attempted through the end of the academic year prior to enrollment.
- ACT composite score of 23 with all sub-scores or 19 or above, or equivalent SAT composite score (critical reading and mathematics) and have the score sent directly to Mount Vernon from ACT or SAT. **The PLAN/PSAT can be used in place of ACT/SAT for sophomores.**
- Successfully completed with a B or higher:
- Two units for English.
- Two of the following courses in mathematics: Algebra 1; Algebra 11; or Geometry.
- Two units of science with at least one unit of a lab science – Biology or Chemistry.
- Two units of social studies.
- Foreign language (one year for juniors and two years of the same language for seniors).
- Complete Mount Vernon application with a \$25 application fee. Application on TCS website. Return registration fee and application to TCHS's main office.
- A letter of recommendation for academics and character from Guidance Counselor.
- High school transcript.

Mount Vernon Nazarene University PSEOP Courses

11th/12th grades course offerings:

- **American Government** -3 semester credit hours (semester)
This meets the state high school graduation requirement for American Government
- **Western Civilization II** – 3 semester credit hours (semester)
This meets the state high school graduation requirement for a history elective.
- **Expository Writing** – 3 semester credit hours (semester)
- **Research Writing** – 3 semester credit hours (semester)
These two courses are taken back to back and meet state graduation requirement for English 11 or 12

12th grade course offering:

- **Introduction to Literature** – 3 semester credit hours
Prerequisite: MVNU's Expository Writing and Research Writing.
This course meets half of the English 12 graduation requirement. The other half required for graduation is through Honors English 12 for a semester.

Edison Community College Dual Enrollment acceptance requirements:

- 3.00 cumulative grade point average in all high school work attempted through the end of the academic year prior to enrollment
- Student must schedule the compass test at Edison – see Edison's website for dates.
- Complete application and \$35 registration fee – Edison schedules a time on TCHS's campus to facilitate this process.
- Tuition paid in August with TCS's book fees. Cost last year - \$80/credit hour. 2011-12 tuition TBA.

Edison Community College Dual Enrollment Course:

12th grade course offering:

- **Physics** – 5 semester credit hours (full year) 2 periods required
Prerequisite: B or higher in Pre-Calculus
This course meets state graduation requirement for science.

Urbana University Dual Enrollment acceptance requirements:

- 3.00 cumulative grade point average in high school work attempted through the end of the academic year prior to enrollment.
- Letter of recommendation from Guidance Counselor.
- High School Transcript.
- Complete application (no registration fee) – application on TCS website.
- Tuition paid in August with TCS's book fees. Cost last year - \$75/credit hour. 2011-12 tuition TBA.

Urbana University Dual Enrollment Courses:

10th – 12th grade courses

- **Biology (Botany)** – 4 semester credit hours (full year)
Prerequisite: B or higher in all science courses and at least one year of a completed science course.
This course meets state graduation requirement for science.
- **Wellness and Health** – 3 semester credit hours (semester) Not weighted
This course meets state graduation requirement for health.

11th/12th grade courses

- **Pre-Calculus** – 4 semester credit hours (full year)
Prerequisite: B or higher in Algebra, Algebra II, Geometry.
This course meets state graduation requirement for math.
- **Calculus** – 4 semester credit hours (full year)
Prerequisite: B or higher in Pre-Calculus
- **General Psychology** – 3 semester credit hours (semester)
Prerequisite: B or higher in history courses. 10th may take course with permission from Guidance Department.
This course meets state graduation requirement for an elective.

Indiana Wesleyan University Dual Enrollment acceptance requirements:

- 3.00 cumulative grade point average in high school work attempted through the end of the academic year prior to enrollment.
- Complete application (no registration fee) – done first week of class.
- Cost is \$80/semester credit hour.

Indiana Wesleyan University Dual Enrollment Course:

11th grade course

- **Introduction to Life Calling** – 3 semester credit hours (semester) Not weighted
This course is a required course for all 11th graders. It is part of 11th grade Bible course. At beginning of course, students will make a decision if taking for college credit. If applying for college credit, \$80/ credit hour and application will be required. Mr. Peterson goes over procedures and details, first week of this class with students.

Students may take any of the above courses as honors courses without college credit at no cost.