

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS/ANSWERS

How do I apply for the Dual Credit Scholarship?

If you attend a public or non-public Kentucky high school, your school will send your information to KHEAA to apply on your behalf. KHEAA will contact you after your information is received and ask that you sign into your MyKHEAA account at www.kheaa.com to select your desired college for the scholarship award.

Homeschool students must complete and submit a paper application to KHEAA for scholarship consideration. The paper application is available at www.kheaa.com.

KHEAA will send you and your college a notification of award status once scholarship determinations have been made.

How do I know if my dual credit course is approved?

Check with your school counselor or college. To be approved, the dual credit course must be general education or part of a Career/Technical Education approved high school pathway.

What's the difference between dual credit and dual enrollment?

Dual credit is when a high school student is taking a college course and receiving credit from both the high school and college. Dual enrollment is when a high school student takes a college course and ONLY receives credit from the college. Students may be charged full tuition and fees for dual enrollment because it falls outside the scope of the DCS program.

How many courses will the scholarship cover?

For the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 academic years, students in grades 11 and 12 can receive a scholarship to pay for up to two General Education dual credit courses each year. In addition, students in grades 9 through 12 can receive a scholarship each year to pay for up to two dual credit courses that are taken as part of a Career and Technical Education pathway that has been approved by the KY Department of Education.

General education dual credit courses are core courses that are transferable between colleges according to the statewide transfer policy. These are typically courses like English, Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, History, etc.

One of my courses is three credit hours, but the other is five credit hours – will the scholarship cover them both?

Yes. The scholarship will cover two approved courses, no matter how many credit hours.

My dual credit course includes a required lab of one credit hour. Does the lab count as one of my two scholarship courses?

If a scholarship course has a required lab, KHEAA will consider the combined lecture and lab as only one course toward your two-course scholarship limit.

How do I complete the 30-minute college success counseling?

Students attending a public or private Kentucky high school will receive counseling through their high school. Home school students will receive instructions for the counseling process along with their KHEAA scholarship award notification.

How often do I have to complete the college success counseling?

One time each academic year a scholarship is received.

Are textbooks covered by the scholarship?

No. You are responsible for purchasing your own textbooks for the course.

When will my scholarship funds be sent to my college?

Once your participating college verifies your enrollment for the term, KHEAA will disburse funds to the college on your behalf. The college will then credit the funds to your student account. Fall term disbursements will begin after October 1; spring term after February 15.

Can I use the scholarship for summer classes?

No, the scholarship can only be used in fall and spring terms.

Do all Kentucky colleges and universities participate in the DCS program?

No. Postsecondary institutions must agree to participate each year. A list of participating institutions is available at www.kheaa.com.

Can I take additional dual credit coursework beyond the scholarship limits? How much will it cost?

Yes. Students attending a Kentucky high school or home school (any grade level) will receive the discounted dual credit rate for EVERY dual credit course they take through a participating postsecondary institution.

Why does MyKHEAA account show scholarship funds have been returned?

Postsecondary institutions are required to return funds if a student fails or withdraws from a scholarship course successfully. Students cannot be charged or asked to reimburse the institution for the failed/withdrawn course. Note that students cannot receive future scholarship funds to repeat a previously failed/withdrawn course.

Who can I contact if I have additional questions?

You may contact KHEAA at (800) 928-8926 or email us at studentaid@kheaa.com.