Move On When Ready - Educating Georgia’s Future through Dual Credit

In 2015, the Georgia General Assembly passed a law that streamlined the existing dual-credit programs. As a result, Accel, Dual HOPE Grant, and the original Move On When Ready have been combined into one program entitled Move On When Ready (MOWR), in which high school students may earn high school course credits while taking college courses. Georgia’s Move On When Ready dual-credit program is available to any Georgia student in grades 9-12 enrolled in a public school, private school, or home-study program operated pursuant to O.C.G.A. 20-2-690 in Georgia.

Move on When Ready Facts

• The new Move On When Ready dual-credit program provides assistance for postsecondary tuition, mandatory fees, and books.
• In some cases, students may be charged or be expected to purchase course-related fees, supplies, or equipment.
• Eligible students may participate part-time or full-time at multiple postsecondary institutions, but applications for Move On When Ready must be completed every term (semester or quarter).
• Move on When Ready program summer eligibility began in summer 2016.
• College courses must be selected from the approved Move On When Ready Course Directory.
• The Move On When Ready dual-credit program will pay a maximum of 15 semester hours or 12 quarter hours per student and per postsecondary institution.
• Once all high school graduation or home-study requirements are met, students are no longer eligible to participate in the Move On When Ready dual-credit program.

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Move On When Ready - Quick Points to Remember

Below are a few points of interest to help students and parents understand the new Move On When Ready dual-credit program.

• The eligible student and parent/guardian should schedule the required Move On When Ready advisement session with the school counselor to discuss the dual-credit program options.
• Completion of the Move On When Ready Georgia Student Finance Commission application is required each semester or quarter.
• The student must apply and be accepted to a participating eligible postsecondary institution (University System of Georgia, Technical College System of Georgia or private institutions).
• The student and parent/guardian must sign a Student Participation Agreement during/after an advisement session with the high school counselor.
• Eligible students may participate in high school competitive and other extracurricular events.
• Courses do not count against any maximum hourly caps for the HOPE scholarships or grants.
• College courses taken must count toward local and/or state high school graduation requirements.
• The Georgia Student Finance Commission will manage funding and payments to the postsecondary institutions provided by annual state appropriations.
• The Move On When Ready dual-credit program is not available for coursework exempted or given credit by examination, testing, training, or prior experience.
• Dropping a course or not following program rules and regulations may result in students losing credit, receiving a failing grade and/or being removed from Move On When Ready; thus, affecting their high school graduation requirements.
• Students must make annual progress towards graduation and completion of their Individual Graduation Plan to participate in the Move On When Ready dual-credit program.

More details about the new Move On When Ready dual-credit program may be found at www.gafutures.org.

For more details and information regarding other dual credit programs, including articulation, please contact the Georgia Department of Education at the following web address:

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