

P.S.E.O. NIGHT

Robbinsdale Armstrong High School - February 17, 2022



AGENDA

- Introductions
- Tips from a current PSEO student
- Background
- Forms and Timelines
- U of M
- Hennepin Tech
- North Hennepin
- Questions

SPEAKERS

- Katherine Guillaume, Armstrong student
- Jamie Dukowitz, Counselor at Armstrong
- Andrew Kopelman, University of Minnesota
- Melody Herr, Hennepin Tech
- Sam Kelly, North Hennepin CC

WHAT IS PSEO?

- The **P**ost-**S**econdary **E**nrollment **O**ptions program, also known as PSEO, was created in 1985 as a means to "promote rigorous educational pursuits and provide a wider variety of options for students." Through PSEO, high school students receive both high school and college/university credit for college or university courses that are completed.



WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- *Minnesota high school students are eligible going into their:*
 - **Sophomore year:** Has taken 8th-grade MCA reading test and had a proficiency level of “meets or exceeds”. Eligible students can enroll in one **Career and Technical Education (CTE) course**.
 - **Junior year:** typically in the **top 1/3 of their class** or score at or above the 70th percentile on any nationally standardized, norm-referenced test such as ACT, SAT, PSAT or Pre-ACT
 - **Senior year:** typically in the **top half of their class** or score at or above the 50th percentile on any nationally standardized, norm-referenced test such as ACT, SAT, PSAT or Pre-ACT
- Each institution may have their own requirements

COST?



HISTORY AT AHS

	Semester 1	Semester 2
2017-2018	74 students	76 students
2018-2019	95 students	102 students
2019-2020	129 students	145 students
2020-2021	145 students	146 students
2021-2022	136 students	155 students

- Most students will do part-time
- Most students will do English or Social PSEO and do Math or Science at AHS
- Many students will go to North Hennepin
- We have had students go to Normandale, St. Thomas, Bethel, Northwestern in St. Paul, the U of M, and many more

CREDITS

- College credits will count for $\frac{1}{2}$ as many for Armstrong
 - For example a 4 Credit "College Writing" course will count for 2 high school credits of English at AHS
- Students need to make sure they are meeting their Armstrong graduation requirements for credits
- Almost all credits will transfer to colleges, but each student will need to check with the college they attend

GRADES

- All grades earned at the college will be placed on the transcript
- Be careful when dropping courses to check deadlines – what is on the college transcript will appear on high school transcript
- There are no mid-quarter or quarter grade checks
- Students will eventually need to request their college transcripts be sent to the college they attend after they graduate



FORMS

- Each college has their own application
- AHS Agreement and Letter of Understanding Sheet
- MN State PSEO Three Part Form
- Finish all forms and hand into Darcie, Guidance Registrar
- Darcie will add transcripts (and test scores if needed), counselors will fill out our section of forms and we will email them to the college

Which Application to Use?

Blue= All colleges except U of M

PSEO APPLICATION for ALL COLLEGES except the U of M (See separate packet for U of M)

(STUDENTS APPLY ONLINE)

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Fall Semester

Priority Application – April 15 (for most colleges-check yours)

Final Deadline – June 1 (not July 1 as on college websites)
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UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

PSEO INFORMATION FULL YEAR ONLY

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**AHS DEADLINE DATE -
April 11**

**Not the U of M deadline of April 15 -we need
time to process our materials**

Yellow= U of M ONLY

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ROBBINSDALE ARMSTRONG HIGH SCHOOL
PSEO Agreement and Letter of Understanding

1. Students interested in the PSEO program must:
 - A. Make an appointment with their counselor to discuss eligibility.
 - B. Complete the PSEO registration online from the college website.
 - C. Sign the PSEO Agreement and Letter of Understanding, include your e-mail address.
 - D. Fill out the top portion of the "PSEO Notice of Student Registration" form.
 - E. The PSEO Agreement and the Notice of Student Registration forms need to be returned to the Guidance office.
 - F. Have counselor complete another "Notice of Student Registration" form before registering for each new college term.
2. Seniors may want to complete all of the necessary high school requirements before the start of the spring college term so that they may receive their diploma at graduation.
3. Students are reminded that PSEO grades and credits are reported, counted, and included in GPA's and class ranks. These grades are of equal value to Armstrong grades and are not weighted.
4. All PSEO applications must be completed before the deadline for proper processing. Colleges may have different PSEO application deadlines.
5. PSEO institution I'm planning to attend: _____
Full Time: _____ Part Time: _____

Please supply a student e-mail address below to ensure you get high school information and deadlines. This should be an e-mail address you check frequently:

Student e-mail needed above

RAHS POST-SECONDARY ENROLLMENT OPTION ACT AGREEMENT

WE AGREE TO:

1. Furnish transportation to and from the PSEO institution.
2. Keep your high school counselor informed of your PSEO credits to facilitate a smooth high school graduation.

Student Signature

Parent Signature

Student Name Printed

Parent Name Printed

Date

Date

Full or part time

Email address

Student signs

Parent signs

Instructions: Complete a Notice of Student Registration Form (NOSR) for each student's term and postsecondary institution (PSI). Once Sections 1 and 2 are completed, work with both your high school and postsecondary institution to ensure your Section 3 courses fulfill an unmet academic graduation requirement.

Eligibility: Courses in Section 3 may only be those that fulfill a student's unmet academic graduation requirements as courses for postsecondary credit only are ineligible. This form is submitted by the postsecondary institution to Minnesota Department of Education (MDE).

MDE College Student ID Number: _____

1. Student and Parent/Guardian Complete and Sign This Section

Student Name (Last, First, M.I.) _____ Male ☐ Female ☐ Unreported ☐ Birthdate (MM/DD/YYYY) _____

Address _____ City _____ ZIP Code _____ Phone _____

Postsecondary Institution This Term _____ Parent/Guardian Name _____ Address (if different from student) _____

Public School Students: Minnesota Statute 2021, section 124D.09, subdivision 7, to assist the district in planning a pupil must inform the district by May 30 of each year the pupil's intent to enroll in postsecondary courses during the following school year. A pupil is bound by notifying or not notifying the district by May 30. If the district has not waived the deadline, I/we may responsible for the postsecondary course cost.

Date I/we notified the district the intent to enroll in PSEO for either semester, school year 2022-23. _____

All Students: Minnesota Statute 2021, section 124D.09, subdivision 6, Prior to enrolling in a course the pupil and pupil's parent/ guardian must sign a form stating they have received PSEO information (including transportation); know counseling services are available; understand PSEO responsibilities and are aware the student is enrolling in PSEO courses.

My signature(s) below indicates I/we are aware that if the course(s) registered for do not fulfill unmet academic requirements for graduation, I/we may be responsible for the postsecondary course costs.

Student Signature _____ Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____
(if student under 18)

2. To be Completed by Secondary/Nonpublic/Home School

Public ☐ Nonpublic ☐ Home School ☐ Secondary/Nonpublic/Home School Name _____ Secondary School Type (Select one) _____ Public Student SSID* Number _____

Attending Public School District Name _____ Attending Public School District Number (xxxx-xx) _____

Student grade level during the 2022-23 school year. (Select one): Grade 10 ☐ Grade 11 ☐ Grade 12 ☐

Eligibility Note: High school graduates and/or students who have fulfilled all of their academic requirements for graduation, and 21-year-olds are not eligible. Students must also give up one period in their high school day.

Does this student have at least one free class period during the high school day? Yes ☐ No ☐

Is the above student eligible for program application? (See Page 3 for requirements) Yes ☐ No ☐

Public School: The student in Section 1 meets both PSEO student and course eligibility requirements for this term as outlined on pages 3-4 and the student information in Section 2 is accurate. The public school student notified the enrolling district of intent to enroll by May 30, 2022, or the school district has waived the deadline requirement.

Secondary School Contact Name _____ Contact Signature _____ Email _____ Phone _____ Date _____

Student fills out

Student signs

Parent signs

Counselor fills out

Student Name (Last, First, M.I.) _____ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) _____ College Student ID Number _____

3 To be Completed by the Postsecondary Institution

Name of Postsecondary Institution (PSI) _____ PSI Number _____ City of Postsecondary Institution _____
Term of planned attendance (select one): ☐ Semester 1 ☐ Semester 2 ☐ Quarter (Qtr) 1 ☐ Qtr 2 ☐ Qtr 3

Postsecondary Institution Contact Name _____ Email _____ Telephone _____

Courses Taken for Secondary Credit

	Course Number	Course Credits
Course #1		
Course #2		
Course #3		
Course #4		
Course #5		
Course #6		

I certify the student identified in Section 1 is registered this term for the courses indicated above, all courses are non-sectarian in content, are not remedial or developmental, and the student has indicated to me the courses are to be taken for secondary credit.

Signature — Postsecondary Institution Contact (wet signature) _____ Title _____ Date _____

Required under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.09, subdivision 5

"If an institution accepts a secondary pupil for enrollment under this section, the institution shall send written notice to the pupil, the pupil's school or school district. The notice must indicate the course and hours of enrollment of that pupil."

The postsecondary institution must mail a copy of this form to the following address:

Minnesota Department of Education
Division of School Finance
1500 Highway 36 West
Roseville, MN, 55113

*MARSS stands for Minnesota Automated Reporting Student System

College fills out



TIMELINE

February-April - Application Deadlines

- U of M – April 15th is the earliest
- Check with each school
- *(Counselor forms must be done before school ends)*

March-May - Apply and wait to hear back

March- July - Go into the college and take placement test, if needed

May-August - Register for college classes

Late August - Meet with AHS counselors to adjust high school schedule and check graduation credits



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& Professional Studies

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University of Minnesota PSEO



Class Selection

- PT/FT
- 1xxx-2xxx level classes
- ScheduleBuilder.umn.edu
- Prerequisites and recommended classes



Class Selection

- Choose based on YOUR goals!
- Advisor support, at UMN and at high school
- Depends on the majors or fields that interest you
- Find classes that fulfill multiple goals when possible



Key to Success – Asking for Help

- Less regular feedback
- Self-advocacy
- Many free resources available



Risks

- Tougher to get top grades
- Problems can sneak up on you
- Grades earned follow you



General Timeline

- Application live on website: **February 1**
- POSTMARK deadline: **Apr 15**
- Notification: **by May 27**
- Orientation and registration: **late July/early August**



Application Basics

- Detailed instructions available on website starting Feb 1
- Late applications rarely admitted
- Applicant is solely responsible for on-time app
- ~1200 applications for ~500-600 seats



Required Materials

1. Online application form
2. Post-Secondary Notice of Student Registration
3. High school transcript (unofficial is okay!)
4. College transcripts for courses taken outside the U of M, if you took prior PSEO (unofficial is okay!)



Optional Materials

- Balance sheet
- PSAT, SAT, PLAN, pre-ACT, ACT Aspire, or ACT scores
- Additional statement



Core Review Criteria

- Minimum GPA: 3.60 (unweighted)
- 88% of admits with 3.85-4.00
- Rigor of coursework
- *If applicable:* Grades from any prior college coursework



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YOUR POTENTIAL



HTC OVERVIEW

- **High** Job Placement
- Faculty who have **industry experience** will provide career focused hands on learning
- Over **45** different programs
- **Affordability**-HTC is the fourth lowest tuition rate in the state
- **Pathways** to 4-year institutions as part of the Minnesota State system (formerly known as MnSCU)
- **Scholarships:** Workforce, Academic, and Volunteer Driven opportunities. General Application period is January 1 – April 30, 2020



LIVING.

98%
Full-Time
Job Placement



Flexible +
Affordable

What to Expect as a PSEO Student

- Coursework is College level
- Credits may transfer to other Minnesota State Colleges
- You will be treated as a regular college student
- Class schedules will be different compared to your high school schedule
- You will have an increased responsibility for your own education
- This is the beginning of your college transcript
- Save time and money earning your degree



PSEO Classes and Requirements

- 10th grade students can take ONE CTE course their 1st semester of PSEO
- 10th grade students can take ANY classes their 2nd semester of PSEO as long as they earned a C or better in the 1st semester CTE course
- Students are responsible to for meeting with their High School Counselor to make sure they are meeting their high school graduation requirements
- PSEO students must meet the Satisfactory Academic Progress Guidelines to continue in PSEO
(Cumulative GPA: 2.0; Cumulative Completion rate: 66.67%)



Student Services & Resources

All PSEO students
have access to all of
the HTC services
and resources

**CAREER
SERVICES**

ENROLLMENT
SERVICES

TUTORING

**DISABILITY/ACCESS
SERVICES**

LIBRARY

STUDENT LIFE

CAMPUS
SECURITY

PSEO ADVISOR

CENTERS FOR STUDENT
ACHIEVEMENT

**COUNSELING &
ADVISING**

STUDENT COMPUTER LAB

**TECHNOLOGY
RESOURCES**

HEALTH & BASIC NEEDS RESOURCES

**Understand
College
Policies**

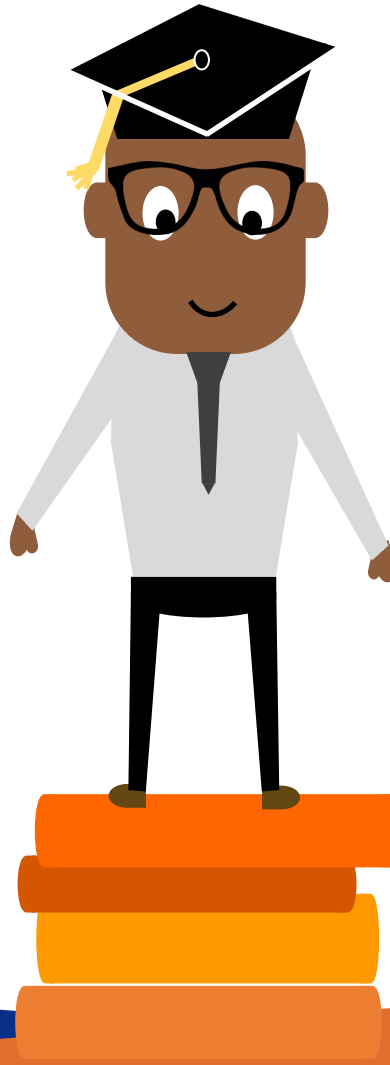
**Accept
Personal
Responsibility**

**Use Your
Resources**
(High School &
HTC
Resources)

**Engage &
Ask
Questions**

**Ask for Help:
Communicate**

**Be
Prepared**



Summer Opportunities

College Classes for Robbinsdale students
at HTC

June 20 – end of July

Classes Offered:

1. Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aide
2. Art and Social Justice
3. Introduction to Sociology
4. Racial and Ethnic Relations

More information to come: Watch Your Email!!!!



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Post-Secondary Enrollment Options

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Is PSEO right for me?

- PSEO students are solely responsible for their academic experience
- Are you proactive/responsible?
 - Independent learning style
 - Good time management skills
 - Willingness to seek help when needed – communicate with staff/faculty in various ways
- Do you have a record of academic success?
 - Taken other rigorous and fast paced courses (AP, IB, CIS, honors)
 - Academically independent (no reminders)
- Commitment to academic priorities
 - Extracurriculars
 - Work
 - Classroom commitments don't end when you leave class

PSEO Eligibility

- **2.75 GPA**
- For students that do not have a 2.75 GPA
 - 11th grade – Top third (66%) graduating class/nationally standardized test
 - 12th grade – Top half (50%) graduating class/nationally standardized test

PSEO Deadline

- **Fall Semester**
 - Priority: April 15
 - Final: July 1
 - *Registration opens April*
- **Spring Semester**
 - Priority: November 1
 - Final: December 1
 - *Registration opens November*
- Application, 3-part form, and transcripts must be submitted before deadline
 - As well as test scores/Accuplacer testing if applicable
 - ***APPLY EARLY!***

PSEO Admission Steps

- Student submits online application, then completes Part 1 of NOSR
- Counselor completes Part 2 of NOSR
- Counselor emails the following to pseo@nhcc.edu
 - Notice of Student Registration Form
 - Transcript
 - ACT/SAT scores if applicable

PSEO Acceptance

- Accuplacer testing not required (unless student wants math, chemistry, physics)
- The 2.75 GPA places students into college level reading/writing
- Once all required documents are submitted, students will receive acceptance email within 2 weeks with next steps (***READ CAREFULLY!***)
 - Students must complete online orientation and complete a registration session with their advisor, before being able to register for classes
 - Students should meet with their HS counselor prior to their registration session to go over course selection

PSEO Courses

- Students can take college level courses that don't have additional supplemental course fees
- Courses are considered college level if they are at the 1000 level. Developmental courses will not be covered by PSEO.
- Restricted courses include certain art, exercise science, geology, music, natural science, and theater courses
- Students need to make sure they are meeting their high school graduation requirements
- Meet with HS counselor and create a list of classes that meet requirements prior to NHCC orientation
- PSEO students cannot retake courses they have passed with an A-D grade

High School vs College

HIGH SCHOOL

- Structured time
- Reminded of responsibilities
- Study between 0-2 hour/week
- Teachers available before/during/after class
- Teachers provide info you missed during absence
- Parents informed of academic standing
- Time in class for homework
- Can multitask with homework

COLLEGE

- Manage your own time
- Balance responsibilities on own
- Study between 2-3 hours/week/class
- Instructors available during office hours
- Instructors expect you to get notes/assignments from classmates or check with instructor
- Parents cannot be informed of academic standing
- Homework is done mostly outside of class
- Need dedicated, uninterrupted time to focus on homework

Things PSEO should know

- Get involved
 - PSEO students can get involved in any NHCC activity, club, sport, music group, and event a theater production!
- High school breaks don't align with NHCC's breaks. When either school has class, you must attend.
 - NHCC's classes are also at different times than the high schools.
- Grades are permanent
 - NHCC has a great tutoring center
- No one knows you're a PSEO student, ask for help from your professors and Academic Advisor. They won't reach out to you first.
- Parents can't call and check on grades, attendance, etc. (unless a FERPA form is filled out). Students are responsible for themselves.
- NHCC's classes transfer!
- We have small classes just like your high school

Thank You

Questions?
Comments?

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- What is better AP or PSEO?
- What classes should I take at college?
- Will my credits transfer?
- Can I still participate in extracurricular activities?
- Transportation?
- Parking?
- Advisory information?
- Summer options?

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OTHER QUESTIONS?

