



Stockton, Ocean City Partnership to Allow High School Students to Take College Classes

Allows Students to Save Money and Potentially Graduate Early

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Galloway, NJ – The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey and Ocean City High School are partnering to offer college-level courses to high school students starting this fall, a way for students to save time and money in getting a college degree.

Ocean City will be joining nine other regional high schools in which Stockton faculty partner with high school teachers to ensure course content and quality. The courses are delivered in the high schools by the school's instructional staff, who are mentored by Stockton faculty.

Students pay \$100 per credit, which is well over a 75 percent savings if fees are taken into consideration. In-state Stockton undergraduates pay \$305.70 per credit hour, plus fees.

Ocean City High School students will be able to take math, biology and film/video production courses at their high school.

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“The Ocean City School District is delighted to be in a dual enrollment partnership with Stockton College,” said Superintendent Dr. Kathleen Taylor. “The true beneficiaries of this relationship will be our students and their families. The students will be able to take advantage of the educational resources that are part of the great educational system that takes place at Stockton College. Our parents benefit because each successfully completed Advanced Placement course and advanced TV/Media course that are part of this dual enrollment program will receive credit from Stockton College and these courses are widely accepted at colleges and universities across the country.”

“This new partnership will enable our Ocean City High School graduates to complete college in less than four years and save on tuition expenses,” Dr. Taylor continued. “This relationship is a win-win-win situation. Stockton College enrolls some of our best students, our students get a great education and parents benefit financially.”

Those high school students who successfully complete the course (Stockton standards apply) will be awarded Stockton credit. The course will be entered on a Stockton College transcript and in most instances can be transferred to most colleges. Those students going on for degrees at Stockton can apply the courses to their majors and degrees.

“These high school partnerships represent a seamless transition from high school to college while reducing the time and cost that it takes to acquire a bachelor’s degree,” said Dr. Harvey Kesselman, provost and executive vice president of Stockton. “The incredible interest in this program validates its desirability to students and parents and we are pleased to be able to expand this program so rapidly.”

The Ocean City program builds on the success of Stockton’s other high school partnerships, which kicked off in September 2011 with students from the Greater Egg Harbor Township Regional High School District. That program began with 33 students from Absegami, Oakcrest and Cedar Creek taking college math and environmental science courses and has grown to 10 high schools with more than 400 students enrolled in 35 different classes for this fall.

Besides Ocean City and Greater Egg High schools, the partner schools are: Mainland Regional, Atlantic County Institute of Technology and Egg Harbor Township, in Atlantic County; Southern Regional and the Marine Academy of Technology and Environmental Science (MATES) in Ocean County, and the Marine Academy of Science and Technology (MAST) in Monmouth County.

“Through this program, it is Stockton’s goal provide students at our partner schools with their first college course experience, while easing the tuition burden on their families and reducing the time to degree completion,” said Dean Dennis Weiss of the School of

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Natural Sciences and Mathematics.

“I am thankful for our participating partner high schools and teachers as well as Stockton’s faculty who are working hard to provide an outstanding array of courses. We look forward to the Dual Credit Program’s growth in the coming years as we provide this outstanding benefit to the region’s high school students,” Weiss added.

Stockton awards almost 25 percent of the bachelor’s degrees in science and mathematics yearly among New Jersey’s state colleges and universities, according to the U.S. Department of Education’s Integrated Postsecondary Education Data Systems.

The college courses at Ocean City High School include: Math 1100-Pre-Calculus, a four-credit course; Biology 1200-1205 – Cells and Molecule, a five-credit course; and Techniques of Film and Video Production, a four-credit college course.

Full tuition for Ocean City High School students is due by Sept. 30 and is non-refundable once a class begins. A payment plan is also available with 50 percent due by Sept. 30 and the remainder due by Oct. 30.

To register:

Ocean City High School students will apply online for non-matriculated status on the college’s home page, www.stockton.edu and click on goStockton, then use the Web Services for Students and Employees link, prior to the end of the first full week of the high school’s classes.

Students will register for the college courses at an orientation/registration session that Stockton will provide at the high school in mid-September.

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