Part 1. Policy Background and Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to define the roles of high school students taking college courses. Post-Secondary Enrollment Options (PSEO) is an academic option open to 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students in Minnesota. This option allows students to take courses at the college level. It is possible that a student could potentially graduate with a high school diploma and an associate degree from college. The PSEO program was developed in Minnesota in 1985.

Part 2. Definitions

PSEO – Post-Secondary Enrollment Options

PSEO Good Academic Standing – PSEO students with a GPA of 3.0 or higher.

Accuplacer- The Accuplacer is an adaptive, multiple choice and essay test that is designed to be a measure of academic skills in the areas of math, reading and English. WETCC may use one or a selection of the tests.

ALC – Alternative Learning Center

GPA - Grade Point Average

Part 3. Responsibility

The Associate Dean of Student Services is responsible to oversee all PSEO enrollments.

Admission/Outreach Coordinator is responsible to ensure that the proper paperwork for the Minnesota Department of Education is completed along with admissions paperwork.

Financial Aid Office is responsible for submitting credit information to Minnesota Department of Education.
Part 4. Policy

Subpart A. Eligible Students
Students that attend any public, nonpublic, home school, alternative learning center, or American Indian-controlled high school, that are classified as a 10th, 11th or 12th grade student, who meet residency requirements identified by the State of Minnesota, and has a 2.0 or better GPA at their high school, can complete the enrollment process and register for college courses at WETCC that align with their High School Graduation Plan.

Students in the 10th grade are eligible to take only one course per semester.

PSEO applications are obtained from the Minnesota Department of Education’s website and are completed by both the student, their parent or guardian and the high school, home school or ALC they are attending.

The secondary institution that PSEO students attend will make the final determination on student’s eligibility to participate.

It is the responsibility of the PSEO student to obtain transportation to and from classes at WETCC.

Tuition will be reimbursed to WETCC from the Minnesota Department of Education at a rate determined by state legislation. The Financial Aid Office is responsible for submitting credit information to the Minnesota Department of Education. No fees, books or additional charges may be billed to PSEO students.

PSEO students admitted to WETCC with good academic standing are not required to take the Accuplacer. Likewise, PSEO students who continue to enroll into White Earth Tribal and Community College after they have completed their high school education and are in good academic standing with the college, do not need to take the Accuplacer test.

Subpart B. Satisfactory Academic Progress
PSEO is regulated by the State of Minnesota Department of Education (MN DOE). WETCC is approved for concurrent enrollment with a secondary institution. MN DOE Reference Guide should be used for further detailed information.

PSEO students must meet satisfactory academic progress at the college level in order to continue as a PSEO students. This information will be furnished by the Registrar to the secondary institution.

In addition, PSEO students must meet the GPA requirement the secondary institution. Secondary institutions are responsible to notify WETCC of the student’s withdrawal or ineligibility from the PSEO program.

The secondary institution will notify WETCC if the student non-enrolls from their institution.