

Is Your Student a Ready Graduate?

IN 2015, THE EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT (ESSA)

was passed, which changed the way schools are held accountable. One of the indicators the State now measures when scoring school effectiveness is how prepared a graduate is to enter college or career. Students who meet certain requirements are considered a "Ready Graduate."

WHAT IS AN EPSO?

An Early Post Secondary Opportunity (or EPSO) is a high school course or program that allows a student to gain college credit or industry certification. In order for an EPSO to count, a student must take the applicable exam. MNPS offers industry certification and Advanced Placement exams for FREE—so all students can take advantage of these opportunities.



In order for a senior to be considered a Ready Graduate, they must complete at least one of the following criteria:

- ACT Composite score of 21 or higher
- Four Early Post Secondary Opportunities (EPSOs)
- Two EPSOs & pass an industry certification
- Two EPSOs & a 31 on the ASVAB AFQT (Military Entrance Exam)

EPSOs OFFERED AT CANE RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL:

Advanced Placement (AP)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AP Comparative Government & Politics • AP English Language & Composition • AP English Literature & Composition • AP Human Geography • AP US Government & Politics • AP US History | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AP US Government & Politics • AP US History |
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Dual Enrollment (DE)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anatomy & Physiology = NSCC SURG 1304 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Terminology = NSCC BIOL 1000 |
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International Baccalaureate / Cambridge

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AICE English Language • AICE English Literature | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AICE Global Perspectives |
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CTE Local Dual Credit

- Arch & Eng Design I = NSCC ARCT 1120
- Arch & Eng Design III = NSCC ARCT 1100
- AV Production/Broadcasting III = NSCC COM 2010
- Criminal Justice I = NSCC CRMJ 1010
- Criminal Justice II = NSCC CRMJ 1340
- Criminal Justice III = NSCC CRMJ 1360
- Digital Design III = NSCC COM 1230
- Residential & Commercial Construction II = NSCC CIVT 1250

- Personal Finance or Financial Planning = NSCC BUSN 1300
- Dual Credit by IC Exam:
- Earn AutoDesk Revit = NSCC CADD 1650
 - Earn Autodesk Certified CAD User = NSCC CADD 1200
- Dual Credit by Clock Hours:
- Carpentry = TCAT CONSTRUCTION Clock Hours

Industry Certification (IC)

- Adobe Certified Associate: Photoshop, Premiere Pro, and After Effects
- AutoDesk Revit
- Autodesk Certified CAD User
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» Also ask your school about ACT prep opportunities and make sure students are meeting with their counselor or Academy Coach to make sure they are enrolled in the right classes.