

# 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE STUDENT/PARENT ORIENTATION

State Scholar Programs  
Dual Enrollment

# SOUTH DAKOTA OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP

\$6,500 over four (4) years.

24 Composite score on ACT

Complete required coursework in areas of English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies and Fine Arts, and other areas .

3.0 GPA

No grade on transcript below a C. (Includes a C-)

**NEW:** Students with 28 Composite on ACT and who meet the ACT college readiness benchmark scores equaling or exceeding 18 for English, 21 for Reading, 22 for Math, and 24 for Science, do not need required coursework. Students must still meet the minimum GPA and grade requirements above.

# REGENT SCHOLAR PROGRAM

This is an admittance program, not a financial scholarship. Guarantees admission into any of the six state funded universities.

Students must Complete SD Opportunity Scholarship coursework.

3.0 GPA

No grade on transcript below a C. (Includes a C-)

No minimum ACT requirement.



## Dual Credit Program:

- Program developed to allow students to take dual credit courses from SD college/tech schools at a reduced rate. These dual credit courses may be actually on campus or (more often) delivered through online means. Cost is \$48.33/credit plus books/materials. Students/parents are responsible for the costs.
- Students may take dual credit through technical schools as long as they have high school approval and as long as the student meets the enrollment requirements set forth by the tech school.
- Deuel HS has the final approval for which students may enroll in dual credit coursework.
- Credit and grades must be transcribed on the student's high school transcript and must be part of student's GPA calculation
- By Deuel High School policy (October 2014), students will earn 1 high school credit for every college course taken worth 3 or more credits

## Dual Credit Program Eligibility

- Students may establish eligibility for dual credit coursework at BOR schools in the following ways:
  - High school juniors:
    - Earn ACT composite of 24 or higher OR
    - Rank in upper one-third of graduating class OR
    - Earn cumulative GPA of at least 3.5 on 4.0 scale
  - High school seniors:
    - Earn ACT composite of 21 OR
    - Rank in upper one-half of graduating class OR
    - Earn cumulative GP of at least 3.25 on 4.0 scale
  - High school junior or senior that has met Undergraduate admissions requirements:
    - ACT score of 18 (or 21 for USD & SDSM&T); AND
    - Successful completion of coursework requirements:
      - 4 years English
      - 3 years advanced mathematics
      - 3 years laboratory science
      - 3 years social studies
      - 1 year fine arts