

MEMORANDUM

TO: District Superintendents
Career and Technical Education Administrators
Instructional Leaders
School Counselors
Regional Career Specialists

FROM: Kayce Cook, EdD
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RE: Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Dual Credit Clarification

As a follow-up to the January 24, 2023, Project Lead the Way Dual Credit Memorandum, the South Carolina Department of Education is providing clarification for the dual credit weighting for Project Lead the Way (PLTW) courses.

Beginning in the 2025-26 school year, dual credit weighting for PLTW courses will require a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA). The MOA must be established before the course begins to ensure a seamless credit transfer process between institutions, supporting students' progression toward a degree and minimizing transfer barriers. Dual credit opportunities will continue to be informed by recommendations from the American Council on Education (ACE) and PLTW.

ACE has evaluated and recommended the following seven PLTW courses for dual credit/college credit opportunities:

- Civil Engineering and Architecture
- Cybersecurity
- Digital Electronics
- Human Body Systems
- Medical Interventions
- Principles of Biomedical Science
- Principles of Engineering

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These courses are listed in the [ACE National Guide](#). According to the [PLTW/ACE](#) website, students must score at least 370 on the end-of-course assessment to be awarded college credit. As college credit opportunities are solidified, all information will be listed on PLTW's [Student Opportunities](#) page.

South Carolina also recognizes the following PLTW courses for college credit opportunities:

- Aerospace Engineering
- Computer Integrated Manufacturing
- Computer Science Essentials
- Engineering Essentials
- Environmental Sustainability
- Introduction to Engineering and Design

To be eligible for college credit, students must:

- Achieve an accomplished or distinguished level on the end-of-course assessment (as determined by PLTW),
- Earn a grade of “C” or higher in the course, and
- Meet the receiving college’s eligibility requirements.

Detailed information about this process is available on PLTW’s [Student Opportunities](#) page.

For more information regarding PLTW end-of-course assessments are located at [PLTW End-of-Course Assessment Administration Manual](#)

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