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| **Dual Credit (DC) – Advanced Placement (AP) – OnRamps: What is the Difference?** |
| **College/ University** | **Dual Credit** | **AP – Advanced Placement** | **OnRamps** |
| **Description** | Dual Credit is a process by which a high school student enrolls in a high school course and receives simultaneous academic credit for the course from both the high school and college. Lamar CISD has a partnership with Lone Star College (LSC). | The Advanced Placement (AP) classes cover the breadth of information, skills, and assignments found in corresponding college courses and meet peer-review standards set by top educators in conjunction with College Board (CB). AP classes prepare students to take College Board AP tests that may make them eligible to receive college credit. | OnRamps is a dual enrollment led by the University of Texas at Austin. The program is dedicated to preparing high school students for postsecondary student success. Students may potentially earn college credit while in high school. |
| **Enrollment Requirements** | 1. Must meet college requirements for admission
2. Pre-requisite courses required
3. Complete LSC registration
 | 1. Open enrollment for all students
2. Pre-requisite course(s) required in some cases
 | 1. Open to students who wish to experience a college level course
2. Students must earn a grade that would be equivalent to UT Austin credit or better during Fall semester to be eligible to be dually enrolled in the university course offered during Spring semester
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| **How Grade/** **Score is Assigned** | 1. LSC Professor awards students grade for the college course
2. Lamar CISD teacher awards students grade for the high school course
3. See Lamar CISD course catalog for weighted high school credit
 | 1. College credit by a single, national exam taken in May; students may register for exam
2. Exams are scored by CB from 1 to 5
3. Class grade has no bearing on exam score
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| **Cost** | $73 - $121 fee for 3+ hour college course Note: LSC sets fee and is subject to change | $94 per exam or $28 F/R lunch students for 2019-2020 school year; cost subject to change by CB; no cost for AP class  | $ 149 enrollment fee per student or $99 for F/R lunch students |
| **College Use** | 1. To meet core requirements and electives
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| **Transferability** | 1. Many institutions currently accept dual credit including public/private school both in and out of Texas
2. See individual college/university for their policy
 | 1. Accepted by most public and private institutions
2. See individual college/university for their policy
 | 1. Students may choose to accept grades at the end of the course
2. Courses guaranteed to transfer to any public institution in Texas
3. See individual college/ university for their policy
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| **Textbooks** | Textbooks not provided by the campus are the responsibility of the Dual Credit student | Textbooks are provided by the campus | Materials are provided by the campus and/or OnRamps |
| **Location** | All Lamar CISD campuses | All Lamar CISD campusesLlllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll | See individual campuses for OnRamps offerings |