Early Postsecondary Opportunities

Unpacking the terms

Early Postsecondary Opportunities (EPSOs)

Courses that provide a pathway to postsecondary credit for high school students

Metro Schools EPSO Offerings

ΙB AΡ International Baccalaureate Placement

CIE Cambridge

DE Dual Enrollment

> College courses taken by high school students for college credit

DC

Dual Credit

College courses taken by high school students

IC

Exam measuring skills in a specific industry after completing high school course

Industry

Certification

Understanding the impact



Tennessee holds district accountable for student success through multiple metrics, one of which is the Ready Graduate indicator. Students are considered **Ready Graduates** by meeting benchmarks on the ACT or SAT or by completing EPSOs.

EPSOs are also important because the **decrease the** financial burden of higher education on our students. In some cases, students can earn an associates' degree free of charge - while still in high school using EPSOs.

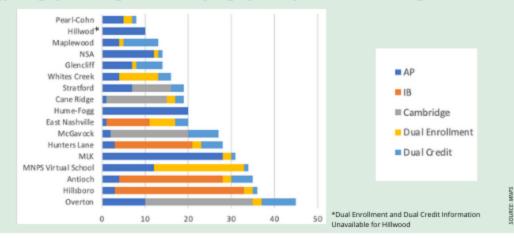


What the data tell us

college-level high school courses and assessments that can

earn students college credit based on exam scores

EPSO offerings for college credit vary significantly across MNPS high schools



Promising practices

District Strategies for: Articulating an EPSO Strategy

Increasing EPSO **Participation**

Increasing EPSO Success

Use patterns of student participation and college-going to determine EPSO offerings by school

Set goals for increasing underrepresented student participation in EPSOs and annually report on outcomes

Codevelop with higher education partners faculty/adjunct training for working with high school age dual enrollment students