

Innovation Campus Program



Helping to Make College
& Career Success Possible



Joplin Schools



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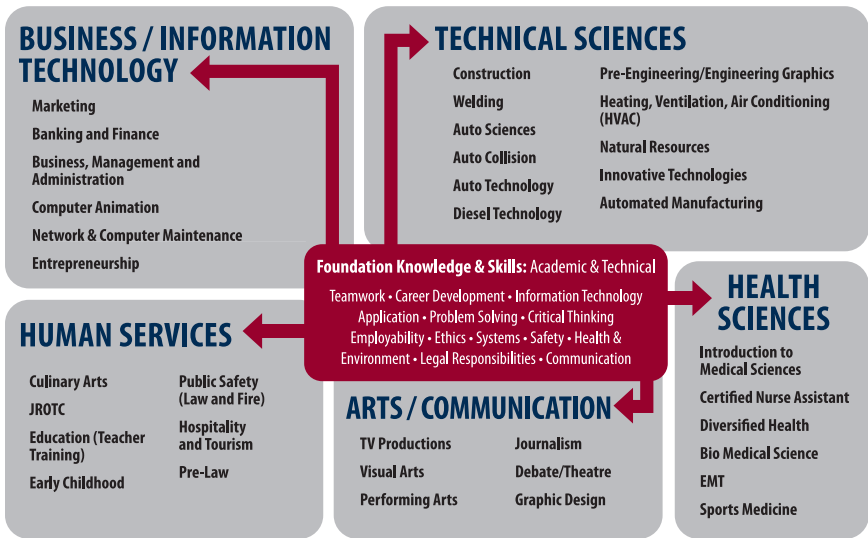
How would you like to earn college hours while still in high school and get up to a \$7,500 grant to help pay for it?

Joplin High School and Franklin Technology Center have teamed up with Joplin area businesses and industries, the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce, Missouri Southern State University, and Crowder College to offer grants to students for dual credit courses through the Innovation Campus Program.

The goal of the Innovation Campus Program is to help prepare students for success in college and careers. Students attending JHS / FTC will have an opportunity to choose one of five general Career Paths. These paths, developed by school, community, and business representatives, center around core foundational knowledge and skills, plus the soft skills employers demand from their employees such as attendance and completing work on time. Representatives from area businesses and industries are not only helping to develop the Career Path Curriculum, they are also playing a vital and ongoing role through student mentoring, internships, and apprenticeships.

In each of these Career Paths, students can take college-level courses giving them a head start on their careers and the opportunity to finish college in as little as three years saving them time and money! The Innovation Campus Program was awarded \$1 million from the State of Missouri to provide funding through grants to assist students with the costs of these dual credit courses.

Career Paths



Admission Requirements

To qualify for dual credit courses you must:

- Complete the sophomore year in high school with a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. *These guidelines do not address technically oriented dual credit courses.
- Pursue the Missouri Department of Higher Education recommended college course of study.
- Receive a recommendation from your principal or counselor.
- Meet the same requirements for admission to individual courses (e.g. prerequisites, test scores) as those required of an on-campus student.
- Score at proficient or above on the MO State End of Course Exam (if high school administers a competency assessment in an area related to the dual credit course) or an equivalent score on a comparable assessment.
- Demonstrate a quality attendance record while in high school and participate in an interview process.

After graduation from high school, and upon written request from the student, both Missouri Southern State University and Crowder College will send transcripts of completed coursework in the dual credit program to other colleges and universities for purposes of transfer. As in all other transfer situations, final determination of the credit awarded will be at the discretion of the receiving institution.

Applying is easy!

1. Fill out the enclosed **Innovation Campus Program Application for Admission**. Anyone can apply.
2. Fill out the enclosed **Dual Enrollment / Dual Credit Application**. You must meet the dual credit qualifications to apply.
3. Submit these applications to a JHS guidance counselor.

An Innovation Campus Grant selection committee will review your application and notify you regarding the grant. Grant selection and amount is based on the number of applications submitted.



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