

#### 1. What is the Move On When Ready program?

Move On When Ready is Georgia's new dual enrollment program that allows high school students (9th – 12th grade) to earn college credit while working on their high school diploma. Move On When Ready replaces Accel, HOPE Grant for dual enrollment and the previous Move On When Ready program. The new Move On When Ready program now covers tuition, mandatory fees and required textbooks.

#### 2. Why was the new Move On When Ready program created?

The new Move On When Ready program is easier for students, parents and schools to understand – it is streamlined with one funding source and one set of eligibility requirements and regulations.

In addition, Move On When Ready aims to expand dual enrollment opportunities by increasing the number of courses students can take for college credit and removing financial barriers to student participation.

The goal of Move On When Ready is to increase college access and completion, and prepare students to enter the workforce with the skills they need to succeed.

# 3. What are the benefits for a student participating in the Move On When Ready dual enrollment program?

There are several benefits for students who participate in Move On When Ready.

- Introduces students to college-level coursework.
- Earning college credits while still in high school may enable students to graduate early and/or possibly even earn an associate degree, diploma or certificate.
- Helps students adjust to certain aspects of the college experience (e.g., classes, coursework, instruction, being on a college campus) so the transition from high school to college may be easier
- Students who participate in a dual enrollment program are more likely to go to college and get a college degree.
- Students may be able to take classes that are not offered at their high school, especially in subject areas they are interested in for a potential career.
- Participating in a dual enrollment program demonstrates a student's ability to handle more difficult coursework which is something college admissions officers may look upon favorably during admissions and recruiting.
- Taking college-level classes while still in high school may build confidence and encourage those students who may not be thinking about college to reconsider.



#### 4. Who is eligible to participate in Move On When Ready?

All high school students (9th - 12th grade) attending a public or private high school in Georgia or home study program operated in accordance with O.C.G.A. 20-2-690(c) can participate in Move On When Ready.

Students should begin receiving program information and materials in 8th grade in preparation for high school. Public high schools are required to provide Move On When Ready program information and materials to each 8th grade student when the student is developing his or her individual graduation plan.

# 5. How do eligible high schools and postsecondary institutions participate in Move On When Ready?

Each eligible high school (public, private or home study program) must complete a MOWR Program Participation Agreement as provided by the Georgia Student Finance Commission (GSFC) in order to participate in the program.

#### 6. What do students have to do to participate in Move On When Ready?

To participate in Move On When Ready, students sign an advisement form with their high school or home study program, meet the admissions requirements at the postsecondary institution of their choice and make satisfactory academic progress.

Interested students should see their high school counselor and visit **GAcollege411.org** for program information and the application.

# 7. What classes/courses will be available to students?

Approved courses for Move On When Ready are listed in the Move On When Ready Approved Course Directory. Approved classes may include degree level or non-degree level courses in the five main academic areas (English, math, science, social studies and foreign language), as well as electives, career, technical and agricultural offerings.

The courses a student chooses each term must be listed on his or her Move On When Ready application and must be approved by his or her high school and the postsecondary institution he or she will be attending.

# 8. Can a student pursue his/her high school diploma and a postsecondary degree or certificate at the same time?

Yes, while in high school, eligible students may choose to pursue a postsecondary degree, diploma or certificate. Students should speak with their high school counselor to explore the options associated with this opportunity.



Eligible high school students may choose to pursue their high school diploma by:

- 1. Completing required courses as listed on the GADOE High School Required Course List, including two English, two math, two science, and two social studies courses, the associated end of course tests for each, and one health and physical education course (courses that would normally be taken during the 9th and 10th grade year); and,
- 2. Enrolling at an eligible participating postsecondary institution and earning one of the following:
  - a. Associate degree,
  - b. Technical diploma, or
  - c. Two certificates in one specific career pathway, all postsecondary academic education, technical education and training prerequisites for any state, national, or industry occupational certifications or licenses required to work in the field as determined by the Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG).

# 9. Are online courses available to students participating in Move On When Ready?

Yes, Move On When Ready students can enroll in online courses if the course is on the approved course list. Students should carefully consider whether an online course is a good fit for them before enrolling.

# 10. Will students have to take an End of Course (EOC) assessment for a class they complete through Move On When Ready?

Yes, public school students participating in Move On When Ready are required to take all appropriate EOCs. Students who are home schooled or attend a private school are not required to take EOCs.

# 11. When will Move On When Ready be offered?

Beginning Fall term 2015, students may participate in Move On When Ready for all terms.

- Fall, spring and summer semesters
- Fall, winter, spring and summer quarters

#### 12. How does a student apply to participate in Move On When Ready?

Students attending an eligible public or private high school or participating in the GAMES Academy or the Advanced Academy of Georgia should complete the Move On When Ready *online* application which can be found on **GAcollege411.org**.

Home study students must complete the *paper* application which can be printed from **GAcollege411.org**.





The application has three parts:

• Students and parents complete Part A

High school counselors or home study instructors complete Part B

Postsecondary institutions complete Part C

All three sections of the application must be completed and submitted to GSFC:

Email: <a href="mailto:sas@gsfc.org">sas@gsfc.org</a>

Fax: 770.724.9249

Mail: Georgia Student Finance Commission

Attention: Student Aid Services 2082 East Exchange Place

Tucker, GA 30084

#### 13. What are the deadlines to submit the application?

The MOWR program does have term specific application deadlines.

The student, high school/home study program or parent and the postsecondary institution must complete the MOWR application and submit it to GSFC by the following deadlines:

Term	<b>Application Deadline</b>
Fall	October 1
Winter	March 1
Spring	March 1
Summer	May 15

High schools may also have a MOWR procedure for students and parents. Students must be approved and classified as a MOWR student.

High schools and postsecondary institutions may also set institutional deadlines for participation.

# 14. What expenses does the Move On When Ready program cover for eligible participants?

Students who meet all eligibility requirements will receive a student-specific award amount to be applied to tuition, mandatory fees and books. The postsecondary institution cannot charge the student any additional tuition or mandatory fee costs for approved MOWR courses. The postsecondary institution must provide the required textbooks for the approved MOWR courses. How the books are provided to the MOWR student is determined by the postsecondary institution.

The aid is paid to the postsecondary institution. The award chart for Move On When Ready can be found on **GAcollege411.org**.





# 15. What expenses are not covered by the Move On When Ready program?

Students may incur expenses for course related fees and supplies required for a particular course or optional fee charged by the postsecondary institution. If the postsecondary institution provided the textbooks through a lending program, the student may be charged a lost or damaged book fee if the book is not returned in the required condition.

The student is responsible for tuition and fees for any course taken that is not on the MOWR Approved Course Directory and the student's MOWR application.