



## Commonly Asked Questions

### CIS/PSEO/AP

#### **How do CIS/PSEO classes transfer to the college I want to go to after high school?**

The college you plan to attend determines how credits are transferred. Some credits may be transferred to complete a specific graduation requirement, others may be counted towards your college electives, and others may not be counted at all. If you know what colleges you are considering, it is strongly recommended that you talk with their admissions offices about how they typically transfer credits. There is also a third-party website, [www.transferology.com](http://www.transferology.com), that gives an estimate of how classes might transfer within the Minnesota State System. This website does not guarantee that credits will transfer the way they estimate, but it is still a good resource.

#### **What happens if I don't do well in a CIS/PSEO course?**

The grade you receive in CIS /PSEO courses will be documented on your high school and college transcript and will affect your GPA for both. Students who fail a CIS/PSEO course are still required to make up necessary high school credits for graduation through credit recovery. On the college end, students are expected to maintain a certain completion rate and GPA in order to remain in good standing. For Riverland Community College, they require a 67% completion rate and a GPA of 2.0. Students who fall below these standards will be on academic warning the following semester. If they fail to improve their completion rate and GPA to the minimum standard, they will be academically suspended, and this could affect future college admissions as well as financial aid eligibility. Students should strongly consider these requirements and the consequences of not meeting them prior to signing up for CIS/PSEO classes.

#### **Are CIS/PSEO/AP classes on a weighted GPA scale?**

Yes, CIS, PSEO, and AP classes are on a weighted GPA scale. Instead of receiving a 4.0 for an A, it would be a 5.0. The breakdown of grades and weighted GPAs can be found on our school transcript profile on the high school website. It is important to note that a failing grade in a CIS class still affects a students' GPA as an F.

#### **What if I want to do PSEO but there are classes at the high school I still want to take?**

Students can do PSEO part-time. This will require more flexibility, as these students will have to coordinate both the high school and college schedules. Students wanting to do PSEO should work closely with their high school counselor and college academic advisor, especially when they plan on doing part-time PSEO.

#### **If I do PSEO, am I still able to participate in high school sports and activities?**

Yes, PSEO students are still considered ALHS students and can participate in all extracurricular activities and events. PSEO students are required to remain academically eligible the same way non-PSEO high school students are.

#### **How do my parents/guardians know how I am doing if I take PSEO classes?**

Because PSEO classes are taken at a college, the student is solely responsible for communicating their grades to their parents/guardians. ALHS does not have access to students' PSEO grades until the final semester grades are submitted.

#### **How do I know what score I need on an AP test in order to get college credit at my selected college?**

The College Board website has a search function that will list specific college's AP credit policies.

<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/creditandplacement/search-credit-policies>