



Dear community and educational leaders,

During this unprecedented time, our educational partners continue to fulfill our commitment to the vision of making life-changing opportunities a reality for thousands of students.

In 2020-21 teachers and career and technical education leaders partnered with Gateway Technical College to help high school students earn 15,017 transcripted credits, saving them and their families more than \$2.55 million dollars in tuition costs. With the rising cost of education and student debt this is no small

I am proud of the way school districts have responded to the changing needs of students, teachers and families throughout the variants of COVID-19. Even during uncertain times it is comforting to know that our local partnerships grow stronger every day. The success of students leads to greater opportunities for postsecondary success and ultimately a career that serves a broader purpose for our community.

Strengthening the career pathways between Gateway and our K-12 partners, and adding collegiate transfer degree options, only add to the value of a Gateway partnership. Working together, our teachers, faculty and professional staff are building and expanding runways for students to take off and soar into a bold new horizon. Together, our students will lead the communities we serve in new and enlightened ways through civic engagement, technological transformation and community leadership.

Thank you to our K-12 partners and our communities for your continued support of Gateway Technical College and our shared commitment to serve the students of Southeastern

Wisconsin.

Respectfully, Bryan D. Albrecht, EdD President and CEO Gateway Technical College \$2.55 million



Promise students in the 2020 Fall Cohort



of 2020 high school graduates directly enrolled at Gateway Technical College in 2020-2021 Academic Year

of Intent at National

Signing Day

Students signed Letters

Certified Nursing Assistant & 42 National Registry EMT certifications through High School Student Certification Grant

\$525,870

estimated wages earned through the Gateway Youth Apprenticeship Consortium

students completed a High School Academy





**Congressional Caucus** 



**Quality Education** 



**National Signing Day** 

### High School Engagement

## Exploring college and career options with high school students

Gateway's work with high-schoolers was lauded, and recognized, nationally. Gateway high school students and leaders in two specific national events were asked to speak on best practices that helped them succeed in their coursework and career.

#### **Gateway student speaks to Congressional caucus**

Gateway Technical College welding graduate Makenna Glassman spoke to a bipartisan Congressional caucus on what it was like to train in an online format for a very hands-on career field during a pandemic.

Glassman, a Union Grove High School senior who completed a Gateway Welding Maintenance & Fabrication technical diploma Spring 2022, was one of four panelists to speak to the U.S. House of Representative-Career and Technical Education (CTE) Caucus seeking to determine how COVID-19 affected CTE. Glassman represented the student perspective to the Congressional group.

#### Gateway featured in national discussion for quality education during pandemic

Gateway Technical College staff and students offered some best practices the college has engaged in to succeed at a high level during the COVID-19 pandemic, as part of an online event for the U.S. Department of Education.

Gateway was selected to be a participant in the federal showcase because it was one of a handful of colleges across the nation identified by the DOE as "delivering high quality career and technical education even in an unprecedented school year." Federal officials, as well as college leaders from across the region, tapped in to the event. One of the speakers was dual credit Welding student Freddy Krablean.

#### **National Signing Day**

A total of 110 high school students from 23 different high schools signed their letters of intent April 15 to attend Gateway Technical College in Fall 2021 at the National Career and Technical Education Letter of Intent Signing Day held in an online format. Gateway's signing ceremony – similar to a signing ceremony for athletes who commit to a specific college - celebrates their decision to attend Gateway.

This national event was sponsored by the National Coalition of Certification Centers (NC3).

"The faculty have been awesome. They allowed us to come in and be comfortable with the situation we are in. We are all wearing masks, we are social distancing and there have been no struggles because everything has been set up nicely for us."

- Dual credit welding student Freddy Krablean, at the national discussion for quality education during pandemic

# Student graduates college, opens business before graduating high school

From a young age, Hunter Orlowski knew he wanted to own his own karate school.

He trained hard to become skilled at karate, eventually being selected to compete internationally. But to open the school, he also knew he needed something else—namely, a college education.

By May 2021 both dreams became reality -- one month before he'd even graduated from high school.

"I knew I needed an education to reach my dream. I gained that education at Gateway Technical College," says Hunter.

"I feel great knowing that not only I accomplished all of this before I graduated high school, but gaining this college degree will give me the edge I need for my career and business."

### Grant benefits 495 students to gain skills for career field

In June 2020, the Department of Workforce Development (DWD) Fast Forward-Nursing Assistant and Emergency Medical Technician High School Student Certification Grant ended. Due to the \$98,824 grant, a total of 495 high school students earned industry certifications.

- 453: Certified Nursing Assistant license
- **42:** National Registry EMT certification



**Hunter Orlowski** 

#### **Graduates with Dual Credit**

Area high schools recognized Class of 2021 graduates with Gateway graduation cords for those who went above and beyond and earned at least **12 Gateway college credits**.

| High School:                        | # of Graduates |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Badger                              | 18             |
| Burlington                          | 27             |
| Delavan Darien                      | 9              |
| East Troy                           | 36             |
| Elkhorn Area                        | 45             |
| Elkhorn Options Academy             | 5              |
| KUSD-Bradford                       | 1              |
| KUSD-Harborside                     | 1              |
| KUSD-Indian Trail Academy           | 5              |
| KUSD-LakeView Technology<br>Academy | 33             |
| KUSD-Reuther                        | 4              |
| KUSD-Tremper                        | 2              |
| RUSD-Case                           | 20             |
| RUSD-Horlick                        | 4              |
| RUSD-REAL                           | 14             |
| Union Grove                         | 24             |
| Westosha Central                    | 11             |
| Wilmot                              | 24             |
| TOTAL:                              | 283            |

## Earn College Credit While in High School

Local high school districts participate in different kinds of dual credit options, providing students the opportunity to gain valuable career skills and earn college credentials in a way that works best for them. Dual credit agreements by school districts are available online at **gtc.edu/earn-credit.** 

#### **Transcripted Credit**

**\$2.55 million** saved by high school students through Transcripted Credit

**5,599 high school student** enrollments in Transcripted Credit courses

15,017 credits completed

**130** highly-qualified, dual credit faculty recognized by the Higher Learning Commission

#### **High School Academies**

**47 students** completed a high school academy in CNC, Criminal Justice, Smart Manufacturing and Welding programs

#### Contract for Service

**544 students** enrolled in Contract for Service courses with **1,519 enrollments** 

**2,654 credits** earned by high school students

#### Start College Now

**355 students** courses, sometimes more than one, filling a total of **769 enrollments** and earning a **total of 1,761 credits** 

#### VANguard

**326 students** enrolled in VANguard courses, sometimes more than one, filling a total of **471 enrollments** 

1,024 credits earned by high school students

#### **Advanced Standing**

**7** Advanced Standing agreements with **6** local high schools

#### Youth Apprenticeship

**104 high school students** were connected to **81** local employers

\$525,870 total earned by students in wages

#### Transcripted Credit Dollars Saved Per High School

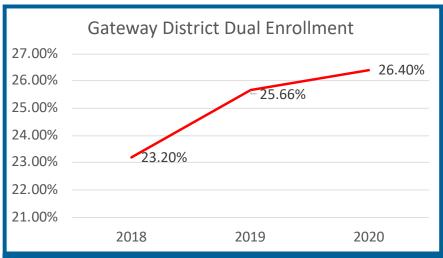
| High School                         | Total Enrollments | Total Tuition<br>Saved |  |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|--|
| Badger                              | 549               | \$228,836.51           |  |
| Burlington                          | 451               | \$199,319.58           |  |
| Catholic Central                    | 3                 | \$1,383.57             |  |
| Christian Life                      | 14                | \$6,456.66             |  |
| Delavan Darien                      | 508               | \$191,203.43           |  |
| East Troy                           | 223               | \$225,747.68           |  |
| Elkhorn                             | 690               | \$306,347.16           |  |
| KUSD-Bradford                       | 59                | \$26,905.75            |  |
| KUSD-Indian Trail<br>Academy        | 68                | \$27,707.40            |  |
| KUSD-LakeView<br>Technology Academy | 48                | \$15,895.69            |  |
| KUSD-Reuther                        | 19                | \$8,762.61             |  |
| KUSD-Tremper                        | 285               | \$129,460.16           |  |
| RSUD-Case                           | 463               | \$214,444.35           |  |
| RSUD-Horlick                        | 135               | \$60,129.43            |  |
| RUSD-Park                           | 123               | \$56,269.68            |  |
| RUSD-REAL                           | 100               | \$43,074.40            |  |
| St. Catherine's                     | 2                 | \$922.38               |  |
| Union Grove                         | 594               | \$263,138.53           |  |
| Waterford                           | 224               | \$104,372.17           |  |
| West Allis                          | 41                | \$19,083.52            |  |
| Westosha Central                    | 489               | \$216,692.57           |  |
| Whitewater                          | 18                | \$5,561.28             |  |
| Wilmot                              | 5493              | \$206,054.47           |  |
| TOTAL:                              | 5,599             | \$2,557,768.98         |  |
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\*Please note that numbers may have been impacted by COVID-19 for all dual credit programs listed on this page.

## **Dual Credit Equity Access**

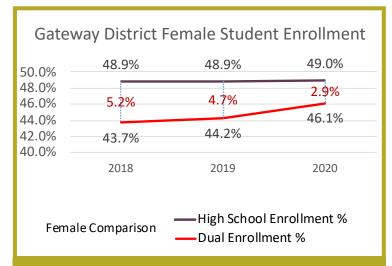
Gateway is committed to providing **all** high school students opportunities to earn high school and college credit at the same time. Working closely with our high school partners, we are working hard to close the gap between overall high school enrollment of female and underrepresented students to those enrolled in dual credit programs to no more than 5 percent.

The college is using "The Dual Enrollment Playbook: A Guide to Equitable Acceleration for Students" as a pattern for its work. The playbook identifies five principles, outlined below, for high school, district and college leaders to ensure that traditionally underrepresented students have equitable access to high-quality dual enrollment programs:

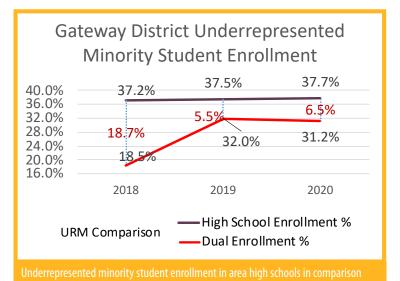


- Three-year dual credit enrollment for the Gateway district.
- 1. Equity: set a shared vision and goals
- Leadership focus on diversity, equity and inclusion.
- 2. Expand equitable access
  - Gateway offers orientations to increase awareness of support systems and resources, provides support for teachers and increased course offerings as well as removing transportation and tuition barriers.
- 3. Provide advising and support that ensure equitable student outcomes
  - Students have access to New Student specialists at each high school and Gateway support systems.

- 4. Provide high-quality instruction that builds students' competence and confidence
  - Transcripted Credit instructors partner with Gateway faculty to share resources and curriculum to provide a way for students to earn credentials before graduating high school.
- 5. Organize teams and develop relationships to maximize potential
  - Monthly meetings with high school partners, bi-annual counselor meetings and bi-annual administrator meetings are held.



Female student enrollment in area high schools in comparison to female enrollment in Gateway dual credit courses. The dashed line shows the current enrollment gap.



Definition of Underrepresented Minority students (URM): Includes: Hispanic, American Indian or Alaskan Native, Asian, Black, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, along with multiple ethnicities \*Data pulled from the Client Reporting System, Public High School Graduates Enrolling at WTCS by High School and District.

## Direct Enrollment to Gateway from High School

A total of 13% of 2020 high school graduates in Gateway Technical College's district directly enrolled at the college in the 2020-2021 academic year.

| High School                 | Grads Enrolled at Gateway | Total<br>Graduates | Percent at Gateway |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Badger                      | 38                        | 295                | 12.88%             |
| Big Foot                    | 13                        | 109                | 11.93%             |
| Burlington                  | 24                        | 241                | 9.96%              |
| Career & College<br>Academy | 9                         | 37                 | 24.32%             |
| Delavan-Darien              | 10                        | 150                | 6.67%              |
| East Troy                   | 10                        | 139                | 7.19%              |
| Elkhorn Area                | 30                        | 212                | 14.15%             |
| Elkhorn Options             | 1                         | 21                 | 4.76%              |
| KUSD Bradford               | 44                        | 295                | 14.92%             |
| KUSD Harborside             | 20                        | 99                 | 20.20%             |
| KUSD Indian Trail           | 52                        | 490                | 10.61%             |
| KUSD Lakeview               | 14                        | 99                 | 14.14%             |
| KUSD Reuther                | 14                        | 121                | 11.57%             |
| KUSD Tremper                | 39                        | 315                | 12.38%             |
| RUSD Case                   | 71                        | 392                | 18.11%             |
| RUSD Horlick                | 50                        | 312                | 16.03%             |
| RUSD Park                   | 41                        | 212                | 19.34%             |
| RUSD Real                   | 8                         | 31                 | 25.81%             |
| RUSD Walden III             | 7                         | 59                 | 11.86%             |
| Union Grove                 | 36                        | 247                | 14.57%             |
| Waterford                   | 21                        | 261                | 8.05%              |
| Westosha<br>Central         | 43                        | 263                | 16.35%             |
| Whitewater                  | 6                         | 145                | 4.14%              |
| Williams Bay                | 1                         | 42                 | 2.38%              |
| Wilmot                      | 31                        | 242                | 12.81%             |
| Total in 2019               | 634                       | 4,877              | 13.00%             |

#### **ADULT HIGH SCHOOL AND HSED:**

Gateway provides testing and instruction for students to earn a high school credential, including a GED and HSED.

#### **GRADUATES, BY THE NUMBERS**

- 33 GED/HSED standard exam series
- 44 adult high school grads
- 43 Gateway HSED 5.08 and 5.07 Options Students
- 252 GED/HSED graduates
- 176 Partner 5.09 Students



**The Gateway Promise program** gives eligible high school students the opportunity to attend Gateway tuition-free! Since 2017, 687 students have participated in the Gateway Promise program. In Fall 2020, 140 students participated from the high school graduating Class of 2020.



#### **SCHOLARSHIPS/FOUNDATION:**

The Gateway Foundation provides scholarships for high school students directly enrolling in the summer or fall following the student's high school graduation.

**\$500** award for tuition, fees and books at Gateway Technical College

**\$17,500** in President's Opportunity Scholarships were awarded to the Class of 2020 (35 recipients from 19 schools in tri-county area)

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#### **Meet Gateway's New Student Specialists**

We know the college decision-making process can be stressful. Gateway's New Student specialists are here to help! Every high school in Gateway's district has a New Student specialist to help students navigate the college admissions process, explore careers and learn about the resources and programs Gateway has to offer.

Connect with your New Student Specialist at newstudentspecialists@gtc.edu or visit gtc.edu/nss.

For more information about Gateway's opportunities for high school students, visit gtc.edu/highschool

#### Questions about this report?

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