

High School Annual Report

2021-22



GATEWAY
TECHNICAL COLLEGE



Dear community members and educational leaders,

Our educational partners continue to support Gateway's commitment to the vision of making life-changing educational opportunities a reality for thousands of students. This support means high school students can begin their college education now at no-cost, saving them time and money, and giving them the education to make their post-high school decisions quicker.

Gateway awarded 381 credentials in the 2021-22 Academic Year to high school students before they graduated. Over the past 10 years, Gateway has seen a 237 percent increase in enrollment and a 222 percent increase in credits awarded. The program continues to grow in many other ways too, as our efforts help to reach the growing Hispanic student population of this area. Finally, there were 47 partnering high schools this year that helped to make the program not only possible, but also made it a model for area districts across the state and even across the nation.

The success of students leads to greater opportunities for postsecondary success, and – ultimately – careers that serve a broader purpose for our community. Strengthening the career pathways between Gateway and our K-12 partners and adding collegiate transfer degree options only increase the value of a Gateway partnership.

Working together, our teachers, faculty and professional staff are building and expanding runways for students from which 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.

I want to thank our educational partners for your continued support of this program, for your continued support of Gateway Technical College and for your shared commitment with us to serve the students of Southeastern Wisconsin.

Respectfully,
Ritu Raju, PhD
President and Chief Executive Officer
Gateway Technical College

\$4.91 million



saved through Transcribed Credit.

101

Promise students were in the 2021 Fall Cohort.



12.24%

of 2021 high school graduates direct enrolled to Gateway Technical College in 2021-2022 Academic Year.



Gateway partnered with **47** high schools to offer dual credit.

381

Gateway credentials awarded to high school students before graduating high school.

\$869,000+

estimated wages earned through the Gateway Youth Apprenticeship Consortium.

105

students completed a High School Academy.





National Signing Day

High School Engagement

Exploring college and career options with high school students

Gateway works to ensure the success of high-schoolers throughout their learning journey. We celebrate their start at Gateway with our National Signing Day ceremony, and we support their time at the college by identifying and closing technology gaps around virtual learning.

Gateway proudly supports students across the Tri County District.



VOICE Grant

National Signing Day

In April 2022, leaders from Gateway Technical College and the National Coalition of Certification Centers (NC3) visited 15 different high schools to conduct a signing ceremony, which is similar to an event for athletes who commit to a specific college. This celebrates each student's decision to attend Gateway.

Virtual Opportunities in Career Education Program Grant

Gateway was awarded a \$1.53 federal grant to increase opportunities for high-schoolers earning college credit and beginning their careers before high school graduation. This program will pay for laptops, equipment and supplies that will fill the gap for students adversely affected by virtual learning resource deficiencies. A total of 50 dual credit mini-grant awards have begun to support dual credit instructors, to improve technology and to provide resources for students that allow for sufficient program resources, benefiting more than 6,000 dual credit students.

High schools with at least 10 credentials earned in Gateway's Tri County District:

Credentials Earned:

Wilmot*: 26

Kenosha Indian Trail*: 24

Elkhorn Area HS*: 24

Waterford*: 21

Union Grove*: 21

Burlington: 17

Saint Catherine's: 16

Racine Horlick: 14

Lake Geneva: 14

East Troy: 13

Racine Case: 11



"I love my job and look forward to the opportunities that will come my way, and to continue my education and earn a nursing degree."

Sarai Mendoza earned a Gateway technical diploma at no cost while enrolled at Whitewater High School through the dual credit program.

*In Top 20 of the entire state

BIG IMPACTS

Dual Credit at Gateway 2021-22

Pathways to a strong future

Gateway's many dual credit options let students learn skills and earn college credentials in ways that work for them.

- 1. Transcribed Credit** - Partnering with high schools and qualified teachers, Gateway courses are offered at the high school for students in grades 9-12.
- 2. Start College Now** - Public high school juniors and seniors earn college credit at Gateway locations.
- 3. High School Academies** - Students can earn a college certificate or diploma before graduating high school by taking Gateway courses.
- 4. Contract for Service** - High schools contract with Gateway to offer courses with college instructors at the high school or on college campuses.
- 5. VANguard** - Through virtual learning platforms, students take college classes without leaving their high school.
- 6. Youth Apprenticeships** - This state-wide program combines in-class learning with 450 hours of paid work experience to help high school juniors and seniors prepare to enter the workforce.
- 7. Advanced Standing** - Students may earn college credits for completed high school courses through agreements between their school and Gateway.

Making a big impact in the lives of students

Gateway awards more college credits to dual credit students than any other technical college in Wisconsin.



Credits Awarded: **29,893**
Student Headcount: **6,480**
Enrollments: **10,782**

74%

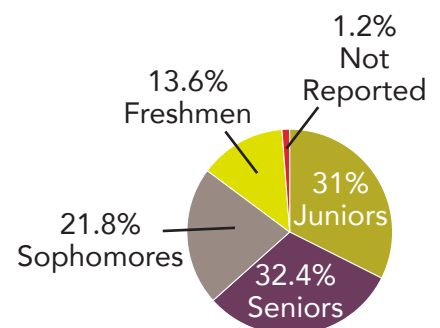
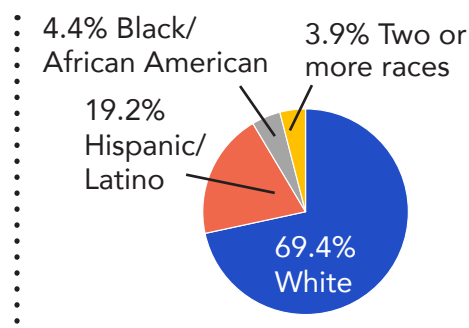
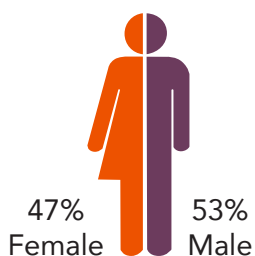
of dual credit enrollments
are transcribed credit

\$4.915

million
in tuition saved

Serving a diverse student population

By providing dual credit opportunities for all, including female and underrepresented minority students, Gateway and partnering high schools ensure students are on a pathway to a strong future.



Credential options for student success

Dual credit courses yield industry credentials that quickly carry students into their careers. **381 credentials were earned** in 2021-22 by students before high school graduation.

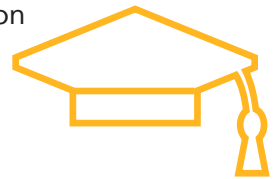
Most Popular Dual Credit Classes:

- Personal Financial Planning
- Accounting Principles
- Applied Math
- Health Safety & Nutrition
- Business Law



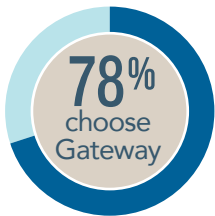
Top Credentials Awarded to High School Students:

- Nursing Assistant
- Welding/Maintenance & Fabrication
- Security Professional
- Group Child Care Essentials
- Emergency Medical Technician



Preparing students to succeed in college

Dual credit students have already earned credits toward a degree at Gateway. More students transition to Gateway after graduation than any other college or university.



569
students

transitioned directly to Gateway



Start College Now students
transition at highest rate

Dual credit program students are better prepared for college. Students are more likely to:

- Maintain a higher GPA at Gateway
- Continue onto the second year of their program
- Graduate in three years

Impactful youth apprenticeship partnerships

Youth apprentices take what they learn in the classroom and bring it to the job site, building a stronger workforce and community.



141 students connected
with 129 employers

63,450
hours

worked in youth apprenticeships



CNC High School Academy students gain skills, good jobs

Students who take dual credit courses through one of Gateway's High School Academies benefit in many ways.

For one 2021-22 academy group, it meant every single completer was able to secure a job locally – even before they finished the program.

“Students in the High School CNC Academy saw great success in completing a credential, gaining in-demand skills and obtaining employment opportunities with local companies,” said Katie Graf, Gateway director of high school partnerships.

Graf points out those who completed the course earned the 12-credit Gateway CNC Operator certificate cost free. If they choose, they can apply these credits toward a CNC diploma.

“These were pretty good-paying jobs.” said CNC instructor Rich Shouse. “We visited a couple employers who said they were on board with taking on younger employees. It worked out great.”

Shouse said the skills these students learn are in high demand within the Gateway District.

“I checked, and within 25 miles of Burlington, there are 310 job openings in CNC. At that time, there were three times more jobs in CNC than any other manufacturing job,” said Shouse.

Shouse said one company even offered a youth apprenticeship program where they will start out these young workers at \$15 an hour, but after a 450-hour program will increase that pay to \$29 to \$31 an hour with a \$2,000 signing bonus.

Students in High School Academies take college credit with the goal of earning a Gateway certificate or technical diploma without having to pay tuition. They can then build on the credits they've completed to earn an associate degree or diploma. Many use skills they've gained to land a job at an area business, making solid wages in a career they like. And for some, it's simply a learning experience to help guide them into their future career.

Shouse says his goal for students is for them to learn about the industry, gain marketable skills and give them solid information to make a decision about their future.

“I want them to gain an appreciation for the manufacturing industry, which is a big part of our community and economy,” says Shouse. “This also gives them insight into whether a CNC career is right for them.”



High School Academies offered in 2021-22

- Advanced Manufacturing
- Criminal Justice
- Computer Numeric Control
- IT-Data Analytics
- Liberal Arts & Sciences
- Nursing
- Welding

* A total of 105 high school students completed a High School Academy before graduating from high school.

Direct Enrollment to Gateway from High School

12.24% of 2021 high school graduates directly enrolled at Gateway Technical College in the 2021-2022 academic year.

High School	Grads Enrolled at Gateway	Total Graduates	Percent at Gateway
BIG FOOT UNION HIGH SCHOOL	9	107	8.41%
BURLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL	19	215	8.84%
CENTRAL-WESTOSHA: CENTRAL UNION HIGH SCHOOL	35	227	15.42%
DELAVAN-DARIEN HIGH SCHOOL	18	176	10.23%
EAST TROY HIGH SCHOOL	8	140	5.71%
ELKHORN AREA HIGH SCHOOL	29	219	13.24%
Elkhorn Options Virtual School	3	46	6.52%
WALWORTH COUNTY ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL	0	37	0.00%
KENOSHA: BRADFORD SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL	34	287	11.85%
KENOSHA: KENOSHA ESCHOOL K-12	2	13	15.38%
KENOSHA: HARBORSIDE ACADEMY	13	100	13.00%
KENOSHA: HILLCREST SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL	1	16	6.25%
KENOSHA: INDIAN TRAIL ACADEMY	63	463	13.61%
KENOSHA: REUTHER HIGH SCHOOL	23	120	19.17%
KENOSHA LAKEVIEW TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY	5	78	6.41%
KENOSHA: TREMPER SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL	30	341	8.80%
LAKE GENEVA: BADGER UNION HIGH SCHOOL	37	313	11.82%
RACINE: CASE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL	33	321	10.28%
RACINE: HORLICK SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL	48	251	19.12%
RACINE: MACK CENTER HIGH SCHOOL	2	unknown	unknown
RACINE: PARK SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL	33	208	15.87%
RACINE: THE REAL SCHOOL	10	44	22.73%
RACINE: WALDEN III SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL	7	65	10.77%
UNION GROVE HIGH SCHOOL	41	242	16.94%
WATERFORD UNION HIGH SCHOOL	26	234	11.11%
WHITEWATER HIGH SCHOOL	9	130	6.92%
WILLIAMS BAY HIGH SCHOOL	2	56	3.57%
WILMOT UNION HIGH SCHOOL	32	229	13.97%
WISCONSIN SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF	3	unknown	unknown
Total	575	4,697	12.24%

ADULT HIGH SCHOOL AND HSED:

- Total number of GED/HSED graduates: 292
- GED/HSED Standard Exam Series: 41
- HSED Options Students: 251



The Gateway Promise program gives eligible high school students the opportunity to attend Gateway tuition-free! Since 2017, 889 students have participated in the Gateway Promise program. In Fall 2021, the fifth cohort of students started, with 101 students participating from the high school graduating Class of 2021.

SC JOHNSON STEM SCHOLARS:

The SC Johnson STEM Scholars program gives eligible high school students financial and student support while attending one of Gateway's designated science, technology, engineering and math programs. Students have the opportunity to transfer to Carthage College, Concordia University Wisconsin or the Milwaukee School of Engineering to complete their bachelor's degree. In Fall 2021, the first cohort of students started, with 14 students participating from the high school graduating Class of 2021.



SCHOLARSHIPS/FOUNDATION:

The Gateway Foundation has scholarships for high school students directly enrolling in the summer or fall following the student's high school graduation. \$500 is awarded to each student for tuition, fees and books at Gateway Technical College. \$11,000 in scholarships were awarded to the class of 2021 (with 22 recipients from 15 schools in tri-county area).

*Data pulled from the Client Reporting System, Public High School Graduates Enrolling at WTCS by High School and District.



Meet Gateway's New Student Specialists

We know that 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 that Gateway has to offer. Connect with your new student specialist via email 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? Contact Katie Graf, director of high school partnerships, at grafk@gtc.edu.