

An Act

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 1196

By: Stanislawski of the Senate

and

Nollan of the House

An Act relating to concurrent enrollment; amending 70 O.S. 2011, Section 628.13, which relates to concurrent enrollment participation; modifying types of students to encourage; providing emphasis for concurrent enrollment requirements; increasing maximum credit hours for seniors; providing certain tuition waivers to juniors; specifying certain tuition waivers are subject to funding; deleting requirement to establish application process and applicant prioritization criteria; directing the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education to issue annual report on concurrent enrollment program; prescribing contents of report; requiring posting of report on certain websites; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

SUBJECT: Concurrent enrollment

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 628.13, is amended to read as follows:

Section 628.13 A. 1. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, in cooperation with the State Board of Education, shall actively encourage the concurrent enrollment in college or university courses of eligible high school students ~~of exceptional~~

ability on high school campuses, on college and university campuses and via online courses.

2. The State Regents and State Board shall establish concurrent enrollment requirements with an emphasis on determining course readiness and take all necessary actions to ensure the availability of concurrent enrollment opportunities to students in all Oklahoma high schools.

B. The State Board of Education in cooperation with the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education shall prepare promotional materials explaining the requirements, features, and opportunities of concurrent enrollment and shall ensure that the independent school districts distribute the materials to each student prior to enrollment for each year of high school.

C. No institution of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education shall deny enrollment in any course to any otherwise ~~qualified~~ eligible high school student, or student of at least thirteen (13) years of age who is receiving high-school-level instruction at home, who meets the requirements of concurrent enrollment, nor shall any independent school district prohibit any student who meets the requirements of concurrent enrollment from participating.

D. 1. Each high school senior who meets the eligibility requirements for concurrent enrollment shall be entitled to receive a tuition waiver equivalent to the amount of resident tuition for a maximum of ~~six (6)~~ eighteen (18) credit hours ~~per semester~~ in their senior year.

2. Subject to the high school senior concurrent enrollment program being fully funded, each high school junior who meets the eligibility requirements for concurrent enrollment shall be entitled to receive a tuition waiver equivalent to the amount of resident tuition for a maximum of nine (9) credit hours in their junior year, subject to the availability of funds.

3. Tuition waivers provided pursuant to this section shall be granted without any limitation on the number of waivers granted in any year other than the amount of funds available for the program and the number of eligible applicants. ~~The Oklahoma State Regents~~

~~for Higher Education shall establish an application process and criteria for prioritizing applicants on the basis of need, timeliness of application, or other factors as determined by the State Regents.~~

E. When a student earns college credit through concurrent enrollment, school districts shall provide academic credit for any concurrently enrolled higher education courses that are correlated with the academic credit awarded by the institution of higher education. Academic credit shall only be transcribed as elective credit if there is no correlation between the concurrent enrollment higher education course and a course provided by the school district.

F. On or before December 1 of each year, the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education shall issue an annual report on the concurrent enrollment program implemented pursuant to this section. The annual report shall include but not be limited to the following information:

1. The number of students participating in concurrent enrollment;

2. The number of students participating in concurrent enrollment who received tuition waivers pursuant to subsection D of this section;

3. The high school graduation rate of students described in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this subsection; and

4. The number of students described in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this subsection who earned an associate's degree or a bachelor's degree at an institution of higher education.

The annual report shall be posted on the websites of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and the State Department of Education.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2018.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the Senate the 30th day of April, 2018.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 26th day of April, 2018.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

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