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CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT IN COLLEGE CLASSES

The Board of Trustees desires to provide opportunities for eligible district students to enroll concurrently in courses offered at postsecondary institutions in order to foster individual student achievement, increase opportunities for students to complete college preparatory course requirements or career technical education preparation, and prepare students for a smooth transition into college by providing exposure to the collegiate environment.

When it is determined that the postsecondary course in which the student intends to enroll is substantially equivalent to a course provided by the district, the student may receive credit toward high school graduation requirements in addition to credit received from the college.

Approval of Concurrent Enrollment

The Board may approve a limited number of students of any age or grade level to apply for part-time or full-time concurrent enrollment in a community college or four-year college when it is determined to be in the student's best interest and the student is adequately prepared for such coursework.

Upon recommendation of the principal and with parent/guardian consent, the Board may authorize a student to apply for attendance at a community college during any session or term as a special part-time or full-time student and to undertake one or more courses of instruction offered at the community college level. (Education Code 48800)

Within the enrollment limits and exceptions allowed by law, the principal may recommend a student for community college summer session if that student demonstrates adequate preparation in the discipline to be studied and exhausts all opportunities to enroll in an equivalent course, if any, at his/her school of attendance. (Education Code 48800)

Any student's parent/guardian may petition the Board to authorize full-time attendance at a community college if he/she believes the student would benefit from advanced scholastic or career technical work that would be available. (Education Code 48800.5)

If the Board denies a request for special part-time or full-time enrollment at a community college for a student who is identified as highly gifted and talented as defined in Education Code 52201, the Board shall issue its written recommendation and the reasons for the denial within 60 days. The written recommendation and denial shall be issued at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting that falls at least 30 days after the request has been submitted. (Education Code 48800, 48800.5)

Program Evaluation

The Superintendent or designee shall regularly report to the Board regarding the number of district students participating in the concurrent enrollment option, their success in completing in postsecondary courses, and any impact on their achievement in district courses.

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- (cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)
- (cf. 6172 - Gifted and Talented Student Program)
- (cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)
- (cf. 6178.1 - Regional Occupational Center/Program)
- (cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)
- (cf. 6146.11 - Alternative Credits Toward Graduation)
- (cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)
- (cf. 0500 - Accountability)
- (cf. 6162.5 - Student Assessment)
- (cf. 6190 - Evaluation of the Instructional Program)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 46145-46147 Minimum day, high school
- 48800-48802 Enrollment of gifted students in community college
- 51225.3 Alternative means of satisfying graduation requirements
- 52200-52212 Gifted and talented education program
- 76000-76002 Enrollment in community college

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

- California Community Colleges System: <http://www.cccco.edu>
- California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>
- California Postsecondary Education Commission: <http://www.cpec.ca.gov>
- California State University: <http://www.calstate.edu>
- Foundation for California Community Colleges, Early College High School Initiative:
<http://www.foundationccc.org/ECHS>
- University of California: <http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu>

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Credit

Special part-time students may enroll in up to 11 units per semester, or the equivalent, in a community college. Such students shall receive credit for community college courses that they complete in an amount jointly determined appropriate by the district and the community college governing board. (Education Code 48800, 76001)

A written agreement regarding the student's enrollment in postsecondary courses and the credits to be awarded for successful completion shall be signed by the student, parent/guardian, principal, and college representative. The student shall be informed whether the credits to be earned are considered academic credits or elective credits and whether the course would need to be completed again during the college years to satisfy college requirements.

To receive district credit for coursework completed at a community college or four-year college, the student or parent/guardian shall submit a transcript showing completion of the course with a passing grade.

Minimum School Day

Except under the conditions specified in Education Code 46146, the minimum day of attendance in district schools shall be 180 minutes for any student who is enrolled part-time in a community college and any student in grades 11-12 who is enrolled part-time in the California State University or University of California, when the student is enrolled in classes for which academic credit will be provided upon satisfactory completion of enrolled courses. (Education Code 46146, 48801)

A student enrolled full-time at a community college shall be exempted from full-time attendance in the district's regular education program. (Education Code 48800.5)

However, both part-time and full-time community college students shall be required to undertake courses of instruction of a scope and duration sufficient to satisfy the requirements of law. (Education Code 48800.5, 48801)

Community College Classes on High School Campus

If a community college class is to be offered at a district high school campus, the class shall not be held during the time the campus is closed to the general public. (Education Code 76002)

(cf. 6146.11 - Alternative Credits Toward Graduation)

(cf. 5125 - Student Records)

(cf. 6112 - School Day)

(cf. 5112.1 - Exemptions from Attendance)