

## POSTSECONDARY OPTIONS/CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT

The board believes that students who are capable of and wish to pursue college level work while in high school should be permitted to do so.

### **Post-Secondary program**

Any 11th or 12th grade student who is under the age of 22, who is deemed by the student and his parent/guardian on the advice of his principal to be in need of course work at a higher academic level than that available at his school or who is deemed by the high school to be in need of a different environment, and who has given two months' written notice to the school district shall be eligible to apply to an institution of higher education for enrollment through the post-secondary options program. The written notice shall specify the courses in which the student intends to enroll.

Academic credit granted for course work successfully completed by a student under this program shall count as high school credit toward graduation requirements unless credit is denied by the principal and the denial is upheld by the superintendent and the Board of Education on the basis that such credit is inappropriate. An appeal procedure is provided in the event a student is denied high school credit. A student participating in this program shall still be considered as enrolled in the district and eligible for all high school activities.

The program is not available for summer school.

When a student enrolls in courses at an institution of higher education for high school credit, the school district and the participating institution shall enter into a written cooperative agreement which shall include but not be limited to payment of tuition. The agreement shall include statements that any courses taken by students under this program also shall qualify as credit toward earning a degree or certificate at the institution of higher education.

The school district shall not provide or pay for transportation to the institution of higher education.

The school district shall pay the tuition for the first two post-secondary courses taken by a student for high school credit in any one academic term. The student and/or his parents shall pay the regular tuition charged by the institution of higher education for the third and each additional course per academic term.

If a student voluntarily drops a course without consent of his principal, the student or the student's parent/guardian shall reimburse the school district for the amount of tuition paid by the district.

Information about the post-secondary options program, including the appeals procedure if high school credit is denied, shall be distributed annually to all students in grades nine through 12 and to their parents. Notice shall be given to allow sufficient time for students and parents to consider this option.

The Board shall comply with all reporting requirements of the State Board of Education.

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LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. 22-34-101

C.R.S. 22-35-101 et seq.

1 CCR 301-1, Rule 2202-R-3.10 (2)

1 CCR 301-33, Rules 2235-R-1.0 et seq.