

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 2831

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2021,
8 Section 628.13, which relates to concurrent
9 enrollment; requiring students who attend a physical
10 school location to also attend concurrent enrollment
11 classes at a physical school location; requiring
12 students to travel to a physical school location for
13 certain virtual courses; providing an effective date;
14 and declaring an emergency.

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

16 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 628.13, is
17 amended to read as follows:

18 Section 628.13. A. 1. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher
19 Education, in cooperation with the State Board of Education, shall
20 actively encourage the concurrent enrollment in college or
21 university courses of eligible high school students on high school
22 campuses, on college and university campuses and via online courses.

23 2. The State Regents and State Board shall establish concurrent
24 enrollment requirements with an emphasis on determining course
readiness and take all necessary actions to ensure the availability

1 of concurrent enrollment opportunities to students in all Oklahoma
2 high schools.

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

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

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

20 2. Subject to the high school senior concurrent enrollment
21 program being fully funded, each high school junior who meets the
22 eligibility requirements for concurrent enrollment shall be entitled
23 to receive a tuition waiver equivalent to the amount of resident

1 tuition for a maximum of nine (9) credit hours in their junior year,
2 subject to the availability of funds.

3 3. Tuition waivers provided pursuant to this section shall be
4 granted without any limitation on the number of waivers granted in
5 any year other than the amount of funds available for the program
6 and the number of eligible applicants.

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

15 F. Any high school student eligible for concurrent enrollment,
16 who is enrolled in and attending a brick-and-mortar public school or
17 charter school, shall attend concurrent enrollment classes in person
18 at his or her physical school building. If a concurrent enrollment
19 class is virtual, the student shall travel to his or her physical
20 school building, or to a nearby college or university campus to
21 participate in the class online.

22 G. On or before December 1 of each year, the Oklahoma State
23 Regents for Higher Education shall issue an annual report on the
24 concurrent enrollment program implemented pursuant to this section.

1 The annual report shall include but not be limited to the following
2 information:

3 1. The number of students participating in concurrent
4 enrollment;
5 2. The number of students participating in concurrent
6 enrollment who received tuition waivers pursuant to subsection D of
7 this section;

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

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

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

16 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

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

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