

Concurrent Enrollment/Academic Plan

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.

In state law Concurrent Enrollment is available to high school students meeting specified criteria for post-secondary study. Any student participating in this program shall be granted a high school diploma upon evidence of completion of the required academic work.

Concurrent Enrollment Program

1. Eligibility

By state law any 9th grade student up to age 21 is eligible for Concurrent Enrollment courses if they meet the following criteria. Burlington School District will consider Concurrent Enrollment candidates on an individual basis.

- a. at this time the Burlington School District will only allow 11th and 12th grade students to enroll in the Concurrent Enrollment Program
- b. meet minimum college pre-requisites
- c. can only take Basic Skills in 12th grade
- d. meet college admission requirements (underage requirements)
- e. is deemed by the student and parent/guardian on the advice of the principal to be in need of course work at a higher academic level than that available at school.
- f. is deemed by school personnel to show a high degree of maturity and responsibility, especially with regard to potential for completing post-secondary courses
- g. is deemed by school personnel to be in need of a different environment
- h. has given two month's written notice to the school district specifying the courses in which the student intends to enroll

2. Academic credit

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 as funds are not available.

3. Agreement with institution

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, the requirement that the district will pay the tuition for the first three courses taken in Fall or Spring-academic term upon successful completion of the courses (earning a letter grade of "C" or better). 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.

4. Payment of tuition by district

The district shall pay tuition for ~~two~~ three courses per academic term for any 11th or 12th student meeting minimum pre-requisites for Concurrent Enrollment courses. Prior to paying the tuition for any student, the district shall require the student and parent/guardian to sign a promise to repay the amount of tuition paid by the district on the student's behalf if the student earns a letter grade of "D" or less or otherwise does not complete the postsecondary course for any reason without consent of the principal of the school in which the pupil is enrolled. This agreement shall be enforced by the district and the student or parent/guardian shall be responsible for reimbursing the district as provided in the promise. The superintendent may declare a financial shortage. If so, only ~~one~~ two courses taken in any one academic term will be paid for by the district upon successful completion of the course (earning a letter grade of "C" or better). This shortage will be declared in the spring of the year prior to school starting in the fall.

5. Transportation costs

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

6. Notice to students and parents/guardians

Information about the Concurrent Enrollment program, including the appeals procedure if high school credit is denied, shall be distributed annually to all students in grades nine through twelve and to their parents/guardians. Notice shall be given to allow sufficient time for students and parents to consider this option.

7. Reports to State Board

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

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