

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 290

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2001,
8 Section 628.13, as amended by Section 11, Chapter
9 432, O.S.L. 2005 (70 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section
10 628.13), which relates to concurrent enrollment;
11 requiring school districts to provide certain
12 academic credit on student transcripts for
13 concurrently enrolled courses; specifying credit
14 shall not be granted as elective credit except in
15 certain circumstance; providing for correlation
16 between certain courses and transcribing of certain
17 credit; providing an effective date; and declaring an
18 emergency.

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

20 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2001, Section 628.13, as
21 amended by Section 11, Chapter 432, O.S.L. 2005 (70 O.S. Supp. 2008,
22 Section 628.13), is amended to read as follows:

23 Section 628.13 A. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher
24 Education, in cooperation with the State Board of Education, shall
actively encourage the concurrent enrollment in college or
university courses of high school students of exceptional ability.
The State Regents and State Board shall establish concurrent

1 enrollment requirements and take all necessary actions to ensure the
2 availability of concurrent enrollment opportunities.

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 qualified 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 six (6) credit hours per semester.

20 2. Tuition waivers provided pursuant to this section shall be
21 granted without any limitation on the number of waivers granted in
22 any year other than the amount of funds available for the program
23 and the number of eligible applicants. The Oklahoma State Regents
24 for Higher Education shall establish an application process and

1 criteria for prioritizing applicants on the basis of need,
2 timeliness of application, or other factors as determined by the
3 State Regents.

4 E. School districts shall provide academic credit on the
5 student's transcript for courses that are correlated to the
6 concurrently enrolled course and academic credit granted to the
7 student by the institution of higher education. Such credit shall
8 not be transcribed as only elective credit unless there is no
9 correlation with any course provided by the school district.
10 Provided, college freshman-level English grammar and composition
11 courses shall be correlated with high school senior-level English
12 courses and be transcribed as such.

13 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2009.

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

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