

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 3703

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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 school districts to cover the  
10 cost of tuition waivers for participating high school  
11 seniors; requiring school districts to cover the cost  
12 of tuition waivers for high school juniors subject to  
13 available funds; requiring students to reimburse  
14 fifty percent of the tuition costs if they withdraw;  
15 providing an effective date; and declaring an  
16 emergency.

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

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

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

25 2. The State Regents and State Board shall establish concurrent  
26 enrollment requirements with an emphasis on determining course  
27 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. The  
20 cost of tuition waivers provided to public school students pursuant  
21 to this section shall be covered by the participating student's  
22 school district.

23       2. ~~Subject to the high school senior concurrent enrollment~~  
24 ~~program being fully funded, each~~ Each high school junior who meets

1 the eligibility requirements for concurrent enrollment shall be  
2 entitled to receive a tuition waiver equivalent to the amount of  
3 resident tuition for a maximum of nine (9) credit hours in their  
4 junior year, subject to the availability of school district funds.

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

9       4. Any public school student who receives a tuition waiver  
10 pursuant to this section and withdraws from a concurrent enrollment  
11 course after the withdrawal deadline shall reimburse the school  
12 district fifty percent (50%) of the course tuition costs.

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

21       F. On or before December 1 of each year, the Oklahoma State  
22 Regents for Higher Education shall issue an annual report on the  
23 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, 2026.

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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