

6A-20.0282 Dual Enrollment Scholarship Program

(1) Purpose. The purpose of this rule is to set forth criteria and reporting requirements for the Dual Enrollment Scholarship Program, which provides eligible postsecondary institutions with reimbursement for tuition and instructional materials costs for dual enrollment students.

(2) Definitions.

(a) "Department" means the Florida Department of Education.

(b) "Eligible institution" means a Florida College System institution, State University System institution, or an independent postsecondary institution eligible for participation in dual enrollment under Section 1011.62(1)(i), F.S.

(c) "Eligible student" means a secondary public, private or home education student who meets all requirements for dual enrollment, as provided in Section 1007.271(2), (3), and (13), F.S.

(d) "Instructional materials" means educational materials for use within a postsecondary course, which may be available in printed or digital format, and includes fees for digital access codes.

(3) Eligibility.

(a) Eligible institutions must have articulation agreements submitted to and approved by the Department's Office of Articulation for each school district, private school, or home education student for which reimbursement is sought;

(b) Institutions may apply for reimbursement for tuition and instructional materials costs for courses eligible for dual enrollment under Section 1007.271(1) and (2), F.S., taken by eligible students during the following terms:

1. For private school and home education students, postsecondary institutions may seek reimbursement for dual enrollment courses taken in Fall, Spring, or Summer terms beginning in Fall 2021.

2. For public school students, postsecondary institutions may seek reimbursement for dual enrollment courses taken during the Summer term, beginning in Summer 2022.

(4) Reporting.

(a) For each student enrolled in a dual enrollment course for which an eligible postsecondary institution is seeking reimbursement of tuition and instructional materials costs, the institution must report the following information to the Department's Office of Student Financial Assistance via the Disbursement Eligibility Report (DER) tool, available at <https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/>.

1. Unique student identifier (school identification number, social security number, or other identifier used by the postsecondary institution);

2. First name, last name and middle initial;

3. Date of birth;

4. Gender;

5. Ethnicity;

6. Student type (private, home education, or public school);

7. District where student attends school;

8. School name and Master School Identification Number (MSID), as provided in Rule 6A-1.0016, F.A.C., where the student attends school;

9. Postsecondary institution where the student is enrolled in dual enrollment;

10. Postsecondary course name, course number, and credit value for each dual-enrollment course for which reimbursement is sought; and,

11. Amount of requested reimbursement for instructional materials.

(5) Reimbursement.

(a) Reimbursement is contingent upon funding in the General Appropriations Act at the following rates:

1. Florida College System institutions will be reimbursed at the standard in-state tuition rate provided in Section 1009.23(3)(a), F.S.

2. State University System institutions and independent postsecondary institutions will be reimbursed at the standard tuition rate provided in Section 1009.24(4)(a), F.S.

3. Reimbursement for instructional materials costs will be based upon a rate specified in the annual General Appropriations Act.

(b) If the statewide amount requested for reimbursement is greater than the annual appropriation, the institutional reimbursement amounts will be prorated among the institutions that report eligible students to the Department.

(c) Non-reimbursed tuition, fees, or other costs related to dual enrollment may not be charged to or passed along to students.