



Rule Workshop: 6A-20.0282 Dual Enrollment Scholarship Program

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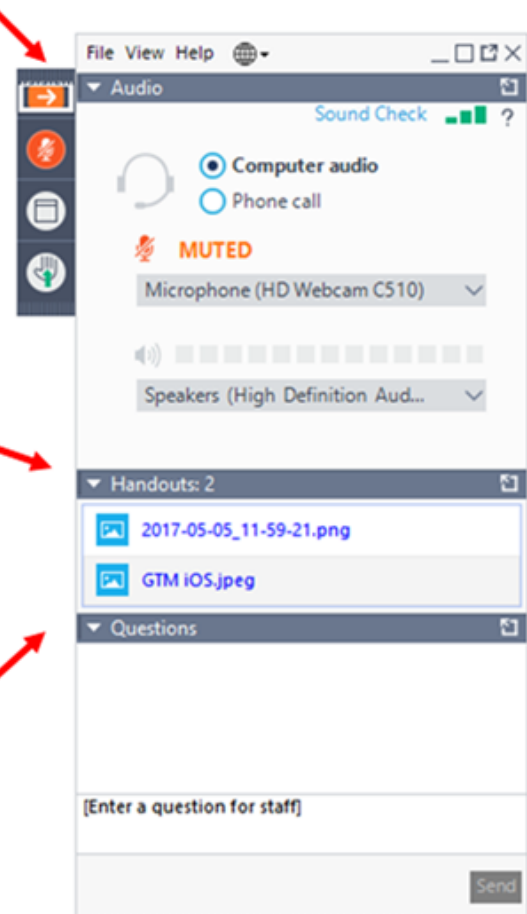
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Agenda

- Purpose
- Review of Proposed Rule Language, 6A-20.0282
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Question & Answer Session
- Public Comment



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Purpose

2021 Legislation

- Senate Bill 52 (2021) created Section (s.) 1009.30, Florida Statutes (F.S.), and establishes the Dual Enrollment Scholarship Program.
 - Allows eligible postsecondary institutions to seek reimbursement for tuition and instructional materials for secondary public, private and home education students participating in the dual enrollment program.
 - Reimbursement for private and home education student participation in dual enrollment in the Fall, or Spring terms beginning in Fall 2021.
 - Reimbursement for summer dual enrollment for public, private and home education students begins in Summer 2022.

Key Definitions

- **Department** - The Florida Department of Education.
- **Eligible Institution** - A Florida College System (FCS) institution, State University System (SUS) institution, or an independent postsecondary institution.
- **Eligible Student** - A secondary public, private, or home education student who meets all requirements for dual enrollment, as provided in s. 1007.271, F.S.
- **Instructional Materials** - Educational materials for use within a postsecondary course, which may be available in printed or digital format, and includes fees for digital access codes.

Key Rule Components

- Purpose
- Definitions
- Eligibility
- Reporting
- Reimbursement

Department of Education Responsibilities

- **The Office of Articulation will be responsible for:**
 - The collection of Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreements.
 - Reviewing Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreements and providing the Office of Student Financial Assistance with an approved list of agreements.
- **The Office of Student Financial Aid (OSFA) will be responsible for:**
 - The collection of tuition and instructional materials reimbursement requests.
 - Any necessary prorating of available funding.
 - Disbursement of reimbursement.

Reporting Requirements

- Eligible postsecondary institutions will report the following to OSFA through the Disbursement Eligibility Report (DER):
 - Unique Student Identifier;
 - First name, last name and middle initial;
 - Date of birth;
 - Gender;
 - Ethnicity;
 - Student Type;
 - District where student attends school;
 - School name and Master School Identification Number (MSID);
 - Postsecondary institution where the student is enrolled in dual enrollment;
 - Postsecondary course name, course number, and credit value for each dual enrollment course for which reimbursement is sought; and
 - Amount of requested reimbursement for instructional materials.

Funding

- The 2021-2022 General Appropriations Act provided \$15,550,000 for reimbursement of tuition and instructional materials costs to eligible public postsecondary institutions, beginning with the Fall 2021 term.



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Proposed Rule Language 6A-20.0282

Proposed Rule Language

(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.

Proposed Rule Language

(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 s. 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 s. 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.

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(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 s. 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.

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(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;

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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.

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(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 s. 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 s. 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.



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Frequently Asked Questions

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- **Who are eligible postsecondary institutions?**
 - Florida College System (FCS) Institutions, State University System (SUS) Institutions, and independent postsecondary institutions eligible to participate in dual enrollment per s. 1011.62(1)(i), F.S.
- **What are the initial eligibility requirements for student participation in dual enrollment?**
 - Student must be in grades 6-12 and attending a public or private secondary school or registered as a home education student with the school district.
 - A 3.0 unweighted high school GPA is required for public and private secondary students. No high school GPA is required for home education students.
 - Student must achieve the minimum score on a common placement test as adopted by the State Board of Education.
- **What is considered instructional materials?**
 - Instructional materials include printed or digital format materials, including fees for digital access codes, that are identified as a requirement for the course.

Frequently Asked Questions

- **Will institutions be able to request reimbursement for public school students' dual enrollment courses for Fall or Spring enrollments?**
 - No; reimbursement for public school students will **only** be available for **summer** enrollment. Districts will continue to be responsible for their students' fall and spring dual enrollment participation.
- **How will an institution know if it is eligible for reimbursement?**
 - The institution must be identified as an eligible postsecondary institution in s. 1007.271, F.S., in order to request reimbursement. Eligibility is also contingent on submission of the appropriate dual enrollment articulation agreement to the Office of Articulation.
- **How will an institution know its dual enrollment agreement was approved?**
 - Approved dual enrollment articulation agreements will be posted on the Office of Articulation's website (<https://www.fldoe.org/policy/articulation/dual-enrollment-agreements.shtml>); institutions may review the posted agreements to confirm approval. Institutions that submit an agreement that is not in compliance with s. 1007.271, F.S., will be notified by the Office of Articulation.
- **Will private secondary schools be able to request reimbursement?**
 - No; reimbursement will only be requested and disbursed directly to eligible postsecondary institutions.

Frequently Asked Questions

- **What courses are eligible for reimbursement?**
 - Courses must be creditable toward high school completion and a career certificate or an associate or baccalaureate degree.
- **What courses are *not* eligible for reimbursement?**
 - Applied academics for adult education instruction, developmental education and other forms of pre-collegiate instruction, and physical education courses that focus on the physical execution of a skill.
- **What if my institution has never reported through the Disbursement Eligibility Report (DER)? Will we need a special log-in?**
 - Institutions must speak with the Financial Aid Director or an authorized Security Designee in the Financial Aid Office to obtain login credentials.
- **What is the process if a private secondary school does not have a Master School Identification Number (MSID)?**
 - Private secondary schools without an MSID will need to report dual enrollment information manually via the DER by selecting the specific district and high school from the available drop-down menus.

Frequently Asked Questions

- **Will institutions be able to submit their institutional course titles to the DER?**
 - Yes, institutions may use their institutional course titles, but must use the course number as provided in the Statewide Course Number System (SCNS) or as approved by OSFA. Private postsecondary institutions will be able to use their own course numbers in the "ZZZ9999" format.
- **What postsecondary institutions are eligible for reimbursement for the 2021-2022 school year?**
 - Only public postsecondary institutions will be eligible to request reimbursement for the 2021-2022 year.
- **What is a Unique Student Identifier?**
 - A Unique Student Identifier is defined as a student's School Identification Number, Social Security Number, or other identifier used by the postsecondary institution.



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Question & Answer Session



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Public Comment

Additional questions and comments must be submitted to Articulation@fldoe.org.

Resources

CS/CS/SB 52, Postsecondary Education

<https://www.flsenate.gov/Session/Bill/2021/52/BillText/er/PDF>

Office of Articulation, Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreements

<https://www.fldoe.org/policy/articulation/dual-enrollment-agreements.stml>

Office of Articulation, Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreement Online Submission Site

<https://web06.fldoe.org/DualEnrollment/>

OSFA Disbursement Eligibility Report (DER) Tool

<https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org>

State Board Rules Under Review

<https://web02.fldoe.org/Rules/Default.aspx>

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