

Collin County Community College District Board of Trustees

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Resource: Dr. Abe Johnson
SVP Campus Operations

AGENDA ITEM: Consideration of Approval of Partial Tuition Waiver for Out-of-District and Out-of-State Dual Credit Students

DISCUSSION: Texas Education Code Section 54.216 authorizes the governing board of an institution of higher education to waive all or part of the tuition and fees charged for a student enrolled in a dual credit high school course.

Many families are moving to Collin College's service area but not inside the taxing boundaries of the College. The Board adopted this waiver in 2019 as a pilot. During the 2023-2024 academic year, over 3,000 dual credit students with out-of-district or out-of-state residency status enrolled in classes, more than triple the number before the pilot. The return on investment since the adoption of the pilot is over \$7,000,000.

With the implementation of House Bill 8, the waiver becomes even more important. To promote a college-going culture in collaboration with our local independent school districts and maintain an equal tuition rate for dual credit students, a waiver equal to the difference between in-district and out-of-district or out-of-state tuition is recommended. Once students graduate from high school, they will no longer be eligible to receive the waiver. Only students who live in the College's service area are eligible for the waiver.

DISTRICT PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: The District President recommends approval of a partial waiver of tuition for out-of-district and out-of-state dual credit students living in the College's service area that will result in a tuition rate equal to in-district tuition for dual credit students effective Fall 2024.

SUGGESTED MOTION: "Mr. Chairman, I make a motion that the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District approves a partial waiver of tuition for out-of-district and out-of-state dual credit students living in the College's service area that will result in a tuition rate equal to in-district tuition for dual credit students effective Fall 2024."