

Collin County Community College District Board of Trustees

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TITLE: Approval of a \$50 per credit hour increase in tuition for students enrolled in courses for which the contact hours generated are not eligible for state contact hour funding, to become effective fall semester 2016.

DISCUSSION: Situations arise when it is necessary to allow students to enroll in courses when the contact hours generated by those enrollments are not eligible for state contact hour funding. One example is enrollment in a course required in university degree plans, but the course is not recognized in the Texas Lower Division Academic Course Guide Manual or is not approved as a local needs course by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. None of the contact hours generated by enrollment by the unrecognized course may be submitted for contact hour funding. However, the course is in demand because it is required for specific university degrees.

A second example is a case in which a student enrolls "for a course that is the same or substantially similar to a course that the student previously attempted two or more times at the same institution." (Texas Administrative Code, Title 19, Part 1, Chapter 13, Subchapter F, Rule 13.105) With only a few exceptions (see Rule 13.106) institutions are not permitted to submit contact hours for funding that are generated in courses that have been attempted more than two times. An attempted course is any course for which a student is enrolled on the census date, since enrollment on the census date triggers state contact hour funding.

To compensate for the loss of state funding in these types of situations, it is proposed that students enrolled in courses for which the contact hours are not eligible for state funding be required to pay an additional \$50.00 per semester credit hour for tuition. Establishing a higher tuition rate for repeated courses is consistent with Texas Administrative Code, Title 19, Part 1, Chapter 13, Subchapter F, Rule 13.108(b) which states, in part, "... an institution may charge a higher tuition rate, not to exceed the rate charged

to nonresident undergraduate students, ... to a student whose hours may no longer be submitted for formula funding under §13.105 of this title.”

Implementation of the higher tuition for enrollment that is not eligible for state contact hour funding will require students to pay \$150 more in tuition for a 3 semester hour course.

Information will be published in the 2016-17 catalog and on the Collin College website about the higher tuition required for enrollment in courses that would generate nonfundable contact hours and a list of non-fundable courses requiring a higher tuition. The higher tuition for nonfundable enrollment will be effective fall semester 2016.

**DISTRICT PRESIDENT’S
RECOMMENDATION:**

The District President recommends that the Board of Trustees approve a \$50 per semester credit hour increase in tuition, effective fall semester 2016, for students enrolled in courses where the contact hours generated are not eligible for state contact hour funding.

SUGGESTED MOTION:

“Mr. Chairman, I make a motion that the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District approves a \$50 per semester credit hour increase in tuition, effective fall semester 2016, for students enrolled in courses where the contact hours generated are not eligible for state contact hour funding.”