

Subject Postsecondary Enrollment Options

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Overview

This bill modifies Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.09, the Postsecondary Enrollment Options Act. This statute authorizes two types of dual enrollment programs: postsecondary enrollment options (PSEO) and concurrent enrollment.

Students in PSEO programs earn high school and college credit through enrollment in a college-level course taught at a postsecondary institution by college faculty. The course must be nonsectarian and unless the course is offered through a middle or early college program, nondevelopmental, and may be offered in person at the postsecondary institution's campus or online.

Students in concurrent enrollment programs earn high school and college credit through enrollment in a college credit-bearing course taught at the high school by either high school teachers or college faculty. Concurrent enrollment courses are offered under an agreement between the public school board and the governing body of an eligible postsecondary institution.

Summary

Section	Description
1	Purpose. Adds facilitating career preparation to the list of purposes of the Postsecondary Enrollment Options Act.
2	Alternative pupil. Modifies definition of "alternative pupil."

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3	Authorization; career or technical education. Eliminates requirement that 10 th grade pupils wishing to enroll in PSEO classes have received a passing score on the 8 th grade Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment in reading, or another reading assessment.
4	Dissemination of information; notification of intent to enroll. Modifies deadline for a student to inform a district of the student’s intent to enroll in postsecondary courses.
5	Enrollment priority. Eliminates limits on how a postsecondary institution may recruit or solicit a secondary pupil. Eliminates obsolete language regarding recruiting or soliciting.
6	Courses according to agreements. Requires secondary schools and postsecondary institutions that enroll students in concurrent enrollment courses to report to the commissioner the participation rates of students, including the number of students enrolled and the number of courses taken for postsecondary credit.
7	Concurrent enrollment advisory board; membership; duties. Requires the advisory board of a postsecondary institution offering courses taught by a secondary teacher to include secondary and postsecondary students, if practical.
8	Participation in high school activities. Prohibits a student participating in postsecondary enrollment options courses from being barred from accessing scholarships awarded, sponsored, or disbursed by the school, or participating in leadership roles or national organizations sponsored by the student’s high school.
9	Credits; grade point average weighting policy. Requires a district to adopt the same weighted grade point average policy for credits earned via PSEO as for credits earned via concurrent enrollment coursework. Prohibits a postsecondary course that a student has withdrawn from, from being counted toward graduation requirements and subject area requirements, and from being included in the student’s secondary school record.



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