Admissions and Concurrent Enrollment of High School
and Other Young Students

Reference: Education Code Sections 48800, 48800.5; 76001, 76002, and 76004

If the decision to offer a class on a high school campus is made after publication of the District’s regular schedule of classes, and the class is only advertised to the general public through electronic media, the class must be advertised for a minimum of 30 continuous days prior to the first meeting of the class.

If the class is offered on a high school campus, the class may not be held during the time the campus is closed to the general public, as defined by the school board.

Palo Verde College does not offer Physical Education classes to special part-time or full-time students.

Special Part-Time Student
To be considered for admittance as a special part-time student, the student must meet the eligibility standards as established in Education Code Sections 48800 (advanced education) and 76001 (admission of students).

A special part-time student may enroll in up to 11 units per semester, or the equivalent thereof, at the community college (Education Code Section 76001(d)).

Admission is subject to seat availability. The student must submit:

- District application for admission;
- written and signed parental or guardian consent;
- written and signed approval of student’s principal (Note: a parent or guardian of a pupil who is not enrolled in a public or private school may petition directly without the signature of a principal.)
- demonstration that the student is capable of profiting from instruction. The appropriate Vice President or designee has the authority to make the final decision whether a student can benefit from instruction.

Special Full-Time Student
To be considered for admission as a special full-time student, the student must meet the eligibility standards as established in Education Code Section 48800.5.

Admission is subject to seat availability. The student must submit:

- District application for admission;
- written and signed parental or guardian consent;
- written and signed acknowledgment of student’s principal. (Note: a pupil who is not enrolled in a public or private school does not need to provide written acknowledgment from his/her school principal.);
- demonstration that the student is capable of profiting from instruction;
- written approval of the governing board of the school district of attendance. The appropriate Vice President or designee has the authority to make the final decision whether a student can benefit from instruction.
Special Summer Session Student
To be considered for admission as a special summer session student, the student must meet the eligibility standards as established in Education Code Section 48800 and 76001. Students will not be admitted unless they have availed themselves of all opportunities to enroll in equivalent courses at their schools of attendance.

The student must submit:

- written and signed parental or guardian consent
- written and signed approval of his/her principal that the student has availed himself or herself of all opportunities to enroll in an equivalent course at his or her school of attendance;
- demonstration that the student has adequate preparation in the disciplines to be studied; and

All required documents shall be sent to the Vice President of Student Services or designee.

High School Students
Admission of high school students shall be reviewed by the Petitions Committee. The chairperson of the Petitions Committee is the Chief Student Services Officer, or designee, and the committee shall be comprised of appropriate faculty members.

High school students in the 11th and 12th grades, with the recommendation their high school principal or counselor, may attend. Those students below 11th grade may attend if they have parental consent, approval from the counselor or school principal, the Petitions Committee, and the college governing board. Enrollment in some courses will be limited (e.g.: seat or equipment availability, or safety regulations). Students below 9th grade will only be admitted under special circumstances (see below).

The college approval process requires students below 11th grade to file a petition with a college counselor stating the special circumstances in which they should be enrolled in a college course. Once a written petition has been received, the Petitions Committee will review the petition and forward a recommendation to the Superintendent/President or designee. The Superintendent/President or designee will forward a recommendation to the governing board at the next scheduled Board meeting. The student will be notified in writing of the Board’s decision within five (5) working days following the Board meeting. This process should be initiated at least two (2) weeks prior to the start of a semester to allow for processing time.

The Petitions Committee will review the materials, and will determine if the student has the abilities and sufficient preparation to benefit from instruction at a community college. The decision of the Petition Committee shall be final. This determination may be done by:

- a review of the materials submitted by the student;
- meeting with the student and his/her parent or guardian;
- consultation with faculty;
- consideration of the welfare and safety of students and others; and/or
- consideration of local, state and/or federal laws;

Middle and Lower School Students
Students attending middle and lower schools, the determination shall be made by the Petitions Committee. The school must provide transcripts and a letter signed by the principal indicating how in his or her opinion the student can benefit from instruction. The Petition Committee will
determine if the student has the abilities and sufficient preparation to benefit from instruction at a community college, and that the student’s safety and that of others will not be affected. The decision of the Petition Committee shall be final. Once a decision has been made, the student, his/her parent or guardian and the school principal shall be informed of the decision. The determination may be done by applying the following criteria:

- a review of the materials submitted by the student;
- meeting with the student and his/her parent or guardian;
- consultation with faculty
- consideration of the welfare and safety of the student and others
- consideration of local, state, and/or federal laws;
- Review of the content of the class in terms of sensitivity and possible effects on the minor;
- requirements for supervision of the minor; and/or
- times the class(es) meet and the effect on the safety of the minor.

The student’s enrollment must be approved by the Board.

Students will not be admitted unless they have availed themselves of all opportunities to enroll in equivalent courses at their schools of attendance. Courses in which high school and other students under age 18 are permitted to enroll will be open to the entire college population, and will be taught with the rigor appropriate to college-level courses in accordance with the approved course outline.

If a request for a special part-time or full-time enrollment is denied for a pupil who has been identified as highly gifted, the Board shall provide written findings and reasons for the denial within 60 days. A recommendation regarding the request for admission and the denial shall be submitted to the Board at a regularly scheduled meeting that falls at least thirty (30) days after the request for admission has been submitted.

Credit
The students shall receive credit for community college courses that they complete at the level determined appropriate by the school district and community college district governing board (Education Code Section 48800(c)).

Apportionment
Claims for state apportionment submitted by the District based on enrollment of high school pupils shall satisfy the criteria established by statute and any application regulations of the Board of Governors.

Procedures for ensuring that claims for state apportionment for K-12 students meet all of the following criteria:

- the class is open to the general public;
- the class is advertised as open to the general public in one or more of the following:
  - the college catalog;
  - the regular schedule of classes;
  - an addenda to the catalog or schedule.

College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP)
The governing board had adopted all the legal requirements of Education Code Section 76004 in order to participate in the College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) partnership with the
governing board of a school district for the purpose of offering or expanding dual enrollment opportunities for students who may not already be college bound or who are underrepresented in higher education, with the goal of developing seamless pathways from high school to community college for career technical education or preparation for transfer, improving high school graduation rates, or helping high school pupils achieve college and career readiness.

The District may enter into a CCAP partnership with a school district partner that is governed by a CCAP partnership agreement approved by the governing boards of both districts. As a condition of, and before adopting, a CCAP partnership agreement, the governing board of each district, at an open public meeting of that board, shall present the dual enrollment partnership agreement as an informational item. The governing board of each district, at a subsequent open public meeting of that board, shall take comments from the public and approve or disapprove the proposed agreement.

The CCAP partnership agreement shall be filed with the office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges and with the department before the start of the CCAP partnership, and shall:

- outline the terms of the CCAP partnership and shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the total number of high school students to be served and the total number of full-time equivalent students projected to be claimed by the community college district for those students; the scope, nature, time, location, and listing of community college courses to be offered; and criteria to assess the ability of pupils to benefit from those courses.
- establish protocols for information sharing, in compliance with all applicable state and federal privacy laws, joint facilities use, and parental consent for high school pupils to enroll in community college courses.
- identify a point of contact for the participating community college district and school district partner.
- certify that any community college instructor teaching a course on a high school campus has not been convicted of any sex offense as defined in Education Code Section 87010 or any controlled substance offense as defined in Education Code Section 87011.
- certify that any community college instructor teaching a course at the partnering high school campus has not displaced or resulted in the termination of an existing high school teacher teaching the same course on that high school campus.
- certify that a qualified high school teacher teaching a course offered for college credit at a high school campus has not displaced or resulted in the termination of an existing community college faculty member teaching the same course at the partnering community college campus.
- include a certification by the participating community college district of all of the following:
  - A community college course offered for college credit at the partnering high school campus does not reduce access to the same course offered at the partnering community college campus;
  - A community college course that is oversubscribed or has a waiting list shall not be offered in the CCAP partnership; and
  - Participation in a CCAP partnership is consistent with the core mission of the community colleges pursuant to Education Code Section 66010.4, and that pupils participating in a CCAP partnership will not lead to enrollment displacement of otherwise eligible adults in the community college.
- certify that both the school district and community college district partners comply with local collective bargaining agreements and all state and federal reporting requirements.
regarding the qualifications of the teacher or faculty member teaching a CCAP partnership course offered for high school credit.

- specify both of the following:
  - Which participating district will be the employer of record for purposes of assignment monitoring and reporting to the county office of education; and
    - Which participating district will assume reporting responsibilities pursuant to applicable federal teacher quality mandates.
  - certify that any remedial course taught by community college faculty at a partnering high school campus shall be offered only to high school students who do not meet their grade level standard in math, English, or both on an interim assessment in grade 10 or 11, as determined by the partnering school district, and shall involve a collaborative effort between high school and community college faculty to deliver an innovative remediation course as an intervention in the student's junior or senior year to ensure the student is prepared for college-level work upon graduation.

A community college district participating in a CCAP partnership shall not provide physical education course opportunities to high school pupils or any other course opportunities that do not assist in the attainment of at least one of the following goals:

- developing seamless pathways from high school to community college for career technical education or preparation for transfer;
- improving high school graduation rates; or
- helping high school pupils achieve college and career readiness.

The District will not enter into a CCAP partnership with a school district within the service area of another community college district, except where an agreement exists, or is established, between those community college districts authorizing that CCAP partnership.

A high school pupil enrolled in a course offered through a CCAP partnership shall not be assessed any fee that is prohibited by Education Code Section 49011.

The District may assign priority for enrollment and course registration to a pupil seeking to enroll in a community college course that is required for the pupil’s CCAP partnership program that is equivalent to the priority assigned to a pupil attending a middle college high school as described in Education Code Section 11300 and consistent with middle college high school provisions in Education Code Section 76001.

The District may limit enrollment in a community college course solely to eligible high school students if the course is offered at a high school campus during the regular school day and the community college course is offered pursuant to a CCAP partnership agreement.

The District may allow a special part-time student participating in a CCAP partnership agreement established pursuant to this article to enroll in up to a maximum of 15 units per term if all of the following circumstances are satisfied:

- The units constitute no more than four community college courses per term;
- The units are part of an academic program that is part of a CCAP partnership agreement established pursuant to this article; and
- The units are part of an academic program that is designed to award students both a high school diploma and an associate degree or a certificate or credential.

The governing board of the District exempts special part-time students from the following fee requirements:
• Student representation fee (Education Code Section 76060.5)
• Nonresident tuition fee and corresponding permissible capital outlay fee and/or processing fee (Education Code Section 76140)
• Transcript fees (Education Code Section 76223)
• Course enrollment fees (Education Code Section 76300)
• Apprenticeship course fees (Education Code Section 76350)
• Child development center fees (Education Code Section 79121)

The District shall not receive a state allowance or apportionment for an instructional activity for which the partnering district has been, or shall be, paid an allowance or apportionment.

The attendance of a high school pupil at a community college as a special part-time or full-time student pursuant to this section is authorized attendance for which the community college shall be credited or reimbursed pursuant to Education Code Section 48802 or 76002, provided that no school district has received reimbursement for the same instructional activity.

For each CCAP partnership agreement entered into pursuant to this section, the district shall report annually to the office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, the Legislature, the Director of Finance, and the Superintendent all of the following information:

• The total number of high school pupils by school site enrolled in each CCAP partnership, aggregated by gender and ethnicity, and reported in compliance with all applicable state and federal privacy laws.
• The total number of community college courses by course category and type and by school site enrolled in by CCAP partnership participants.
• The total number and percentage of successful course completions, by course category and type and by school site, of CCAP partnership participants.
• The total number of full-time equivalent students generated by CCAP partnership community college district participants.

See also BP/AP 5050 – Student Success and Support Programs

(Formerly PVC Board Policy 5030 and PVC Administrative Regulation 5010)