Ohio | Department of Higher Education

John R. Kasich, Governor
John Carey, Chancellor

DIRECTIVE 2015-060

November 12, 2015

Re: CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST BY NORTH CENTRAL STATE COLLEGE TO WAIVE STANDARD TUITION RATES FOR NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND HOME SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO DO NOT RECEIVE FUNDING UNDER COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS.

§375.30.30 of Am. Sub. H.B. 119 of the 127th General Assembly required any waiver of tuition for a student or class of students not otherwise permitted by law at a state-assisted institution of higher education be approved by the Chancellor of Higher Education (the "Chancellor"). On April 17, 2009, the Chancellor signed Directive 2009-011 establishing procedures for institutions to follow when requesting to waive standard tuition rates. §369.180 of Am. Sub. H.B. 64 of the 131st General Assembly continues the authority of the Chancellor for the upcoming biennium.

Pursuant to the continued authority in §369.180 of Am. Sub. H.B. 64 as well as Directive 2009-011, North Central State College ("NCSC") has requested that for academic years 2015-2016 the standard tuition rates be waived for Ohio nonpublic high school students and home school students who did not receive funding under College Credit Plus. While all of Ohio students in grades seventh through 12 are eligible to participate in College Credit Plus if accepted by institution they seek to attend there was limited funding for students that do not attend public high schools.

NCSC has demonstrated the following:

- NCSC's Board of Trustees approved a resolution authorizing the tuition waiver at its meeting on September 21, 2015. A copy of the resolution is attached. Please note that NCSC included in the board resolution a desire to set tuition at $149.60 for students taking courses on campus. As this is the current rate for tuition and general fees, no waiver was needed and it is not addressed in this tuition waiver directive.

- NCSC has submitted a specific request to reduce tuition as follows:

    - $40 per credit hour for nonpublic high school students who were not funded under College Credit Plus and are attending NCSC courses at their high school and are taught by qualified high school teachers-adjuncts. This is a waiver of $109.60 per credit hour.

    - $80 per credit hour for nonpublic high school students who were not funded under College Credit Plus and attend courses at their high school and are taught by NCSC faculty. This is a waiver of $69.60 per credit hour.

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- $80 per credit hour for nonpublic high school and home school students who were not funded under College Credit Plus and take NCSC courses online. This is a waiver of $69.60 per credit hour.

- NCSC proposes that the duration of the continued waiver be for academic years 2015-2016.
- It is estimated that the proposed waiver will affect approximately 100 students this academic year.
- The goal of this waiver is to give an equal chance to all students throughout NCSC's service area in term of access to affordable higher education opportunities.
- NCSC will monitor high school enrollments and completion information by term for the students served under this waiver to determine if this goal is being met.

Agency staff reviewed the request and posted its recommendations to the Ohio Department of Higher Education's website for purposes of providing a period of public comment before final approval by the Chancellor. No public comments were received.

Based upon my review of staff recommendations, I hereby approve the waiver request from North Central State College which sets tuition rates for nonpublic high school students who are not funded under College Credit Plus at $40 per credit hour for courses taken at their high school and taught by high school teacher-adjuncts and $80 per credit hour for courses taken at their high school and taught by NCSC faculty. Nonpublic high school and home school students who were not funded under College Credit Plus will pay $80 per credit hour to take online courses. These waiver rates will be effective for the 2015-2016 academic year.

This directive will take immediate effect.

John Carey
Chancellor of Higher Education

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CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF AN OFFSITE DUAL ENROLLMENT RATE FOR PRIVATE SCHOOL STUDENTS AND HOME SCHOOLED STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS PROGRAM

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WHEREAS, *North Central State College (NCSC), as part of its mission, wishes to provide educational opportunities for qualified students to attend college at affordable costs, and*

WHEREAS, *it is recommended that the Board or Trustees approve an Offsite Dual Enrollment Rate for NCSC courses that will meet both high school and NCSC graduation requirements for students not eligible for the College Credit Plus Program (CCP) established in Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3365. Such students would primarily be enrolled in Ohio nonpublic/private schools or homeschooled, and*

WHEREAS, *NCSC launched dual enrollment to support initiatives in our area school districts to enhance rigor and student preparation for college study; it also supports other legislated requirements that colleges take steps to keep college affordable by decreasing time to degree. Ohio Board of Regents Directive 2009-011 Differential Tuition for State Institutions of Higher Education allows for such a rate where the program is designed to keep college affordable and enhance the quality of the educational experience. Under new legislation the vast majority of Ohio based students will now be eligible for the CCP funding stream. However, the dollars for CCP flow differently for students enrolled at nonpublic/private schools and home schools and as such some students may not be eligible for CCP. We have important relationships with many such schools and would like to maintain this as an option, and*

WHEREAS, *under this model, NCSC anticipates approximately 60 nonpublic/private and homeschooled students each academic year will have the opportunity to further their education, and*

WHEREAS, *this resolution would approve a rate of $40 per semester hour for academic years 2015-2016 for NCSC courses taught off the NCSC campuses by high school faculty who meet the North Central Association/Higher Learning Commission standards under the mentorship of a NCSC faculty member to nonpublic/private school and home school students who are not otherwise eligible for CCP, and*

WHEREAS, *this resolution would approve a rate of $80 per semester hour for academic years 2015-2016 for NCSC courses taught off the NCSC campuses by NCSC faculty who meet the North Central Association/Higher Learning Commission standards to nonpublic/private school students who are not otherwise eligible for CCP, and*

WHEREAS, *this resolution would approve a rate of $80 per semester hour for academic years 2015-2016 for NCSC courses taught online by NCSC faculty who meet the North Central Association/Higher Learning Commission standards to nonpublic/private school and homeschool students who are not otherwise eligible for CCP, and*

WHEREAS, *this resolution would approve a rate of $149.60 per semester hour for academic year 2015-2016 for NCSC courses taught on the NCSC campuses by NCSC faculty, and*

WHEREAS, *the impact and success of this CCP model will be reviewed annually, and*

WHEREAS, *consistent with the procedures set forth in OBR Directive 2009-011 NCSC will submit a tuition waiver request to the Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED *that the North Central State College Board of Trustees hereby approves the following:*

1. *A rate of $40 per semester hour for academic years 2015-2016 for NCSC courses taught off the NCSC campuses by high school faculty who meet the North Central Association/Higher Learning Commission standards under the mentorship of a NCSC faculty member to nonpublic/private school and home school students who are not otherwise eligible for CCP.*

2. *A rate of $80 per semester hour for academic years 2015-2016 for NCSC courses taught off the NCSC campuses by NCSC faculty who meet the North Central Association/Higher Learning Commission standards to nonpublic/private school students who are not otherwise eligible for CCP.*

3. *A rate of $80 per semester hour for academic years 2015-2016 for NCSC courses taught online by NCSC faculty who meet the North Central Association/Higher Learning Commission standards to nonpublic/private school and homeschool students who are not otherwise eligible for CCP.*

4. *A rate of $149.60 per semester hour for academic year 2015-2016 for NCSC courses taught on the NCSC campuses by NCSC faculty.*

ROLL CALL – Aye: 8
Nay: 0

Certified by:

North Central State College
Board of Trustees
September 23, 2015

Stephen R. Williams

Stephen R. Williams, Board Secretary

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TUITION WAIVER REQUEST FOR APPROVAL

The following request has been posted for a 2-week public comment period and is recommended for approval. No public comments were received.

Recommender: Amy Shaffer November 12, 2015

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Summary of public comments:

None

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