



DIRECTIVE 2017-085

August 18, 2017

Re: CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST BY CUYAHOGA COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO CONTINUE 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. §381.170 of Am. Sub. H.B. 49 of the 132nd General Assembly continues this authority of the Chancellor for the biennium.

Pursuant to §381.170 of Am. Sub. H.B. 49 as well as Directive 2009-011, Cuyahoga Community College (“Tri-C”) has requested for academic years 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 to continue to waive standard tuition rates nonpublic high school students and home school students that do not receive funding under College Credit Plus. Tri-C has demonstrated the following:

- Tri-C’s Board of Trustees approved a resolution authorizing a continuation of the tuition waiver at its meeting on June 29, 2017. A copy of the resolution is attached.
- Tri-C has submitted a specific request to reduce tuition to the College Credit Plus statutory floor for nonpublic high school students who were not funded under College Credit Plus and are attending Tri-C courses at their high school taught by a high school instructor meeting Tri-C’s credentialing requirements. This is a current waiver of \$62.97 per credit hour for Cuyahoga County residents and \$90.20 for non-county Ohio residents.
 - Amount waived will change slightly in academic year 2018-2019 due to a slight increase in the statutory floor amount.
- Tri-C also requests to reduce tuition to \$80 for nonpublic high school students who were not funded under College Credit Plus and attend courses at their high school and taught by a Tri-C faculty member. This is a current waiver of \$24.54 per credit hour for Cuyahoga County residents and \$51.77 for non-county Ohio residents.
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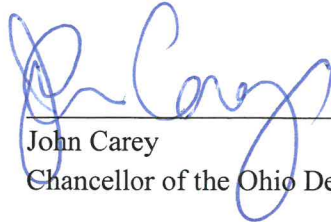
one of Tri-C's campus locations or online. This is a waiver of \$4.54 per credit hour for Cuyahoga County residents and \$31.77 for other non-county Ohio residents.

- Tri-C proposes that the duration of the continued waiver be academic years 2017-2018 and 2018-2019.
- Tri-C expects the tuition waiver will affect approximately 175 students over the duration of the waiver.
- Tri-C's goals pursuant to this tuition waiver are to maintain or increase the number of nonpublic students participating in the College Credit Plus program, to ensure Tri-C's continued ability to offer high-quality college level courses to eligible nonpublic students through the College Credit Plus program, and to maintain Tri-C's relationships and partnerships with local nonpublic education institutions, their students and families.
- The previous tuition waiver for non-funded College Credit Plus students was very effective. Tri-C surpassed its goals of 110 students served as 191 students were served pursuant to the previous waiver. Additionally, Tri-C reports the waiver allowed it to maintain positive relationships and partnerships with local nonpublic schools.
- Tri-C will monitor the success of students receiving the waiver through reports generated by Tri-C's Institutional research department. Goals will be evaluated in the following areas:
 - The number of nonpublic College Credit Plus students enrolled in the program
 - The fall to spring and fall to fall retention rates for nonpublic College Credit Plus students
 - The ongoing monitoring of the success of nonpublic College Credit Plus students including overall midterm grades, course completion rates, final grades, grade point averages and student evaluation of courses;
 - Communication with nonpublic institutions and their students regarding the approval of this tuition waiver and the College's continued ability to extend the program to nonpublic institutions and students at an affordable rate of tuition.

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 and staff recommendations, I hereby approve the tuition waiver request from the Cuyahoga Community College as set forth above for academic years 2017-2018 and 2018-2019.

This directive will take immediate effect.



John Carey
Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education

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CUYAHOGA COMMUNITY COLLEGE
MATERIAL FOR REVIEW
BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

☐ Access, Learning & Success Committee
☐ Community Affairs Committee
☒ Management Committee
☐ Investment Committee

SUBJECT: Approval of a Tuition Waiver for Non-Public Students in the College Credit Plus Program

COMMITTEE ACTION:

☒ Review for formal recommendation to the full Board of Trustees at the next regular scheduled Board Meeting.
☐ Background material for future Board of Trustees action item.
☐ Update information/status report. For informational purposes only.

SYNOPSIS:

The College desires to seek a tuition waiver from the Ohio Department of Higher Education for nonpublic high school students participating in the College Credit Plus program.

Prepared by: Timothy Dorsey,
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Enrollment
Management
Office: Access, Learning &
Success

Submitted by: _____
Date: _____

Approved by: _____
Date: _____

- (A) The Board authorizes the tuition waiver as outlined for nonpublic students participating in the College Credit Plus program.
- (B) The final waiver amount will be determined when Cuyahoga Community College's tuition rates and the floor and ceiling rates for College Credit Plus are finalized in the FY18-19 State budget bill.
- (C) This tuition waiver will be implemented subject to the authority of the Ohio Department of Higher Education.
- (D) The Executive Vice president for Administration & Finance, or his designee, is authorized to take all steps necessary and appropriate to implement this resolution.



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

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Comments received:

None