

NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM

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MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: Enrollment of High School Students in Noncredit Courses

This memorandum is a follow-up to a memorandum sent to you on November 14, 2011, on the subject "High School Students Taking Continuing Education Courses." In that memorandum, we informed you that the System Office was pursuing legislative clarification to address high school students' ability to take continuing education courses.

On December 8, 2011, the Governor signed into law HB 796 (Session Law 2011-419), which amends G.S. 115D-20 to allow high school students 16 years and older "to take noncredit courses, except adult basic skills, subject to rules promulgated by the State Board of Community Colleges."

Pending the development of State Board rules to support this legislation, colleges may continue to enroll high school students 16 years and older in noncredit courses. High school students must pay registration fees for continuing education courses, except for students who qualify for a public safety agency fee waiver as defined by G.S. 115D-5(b).

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