

**Attendance Verification for Concurrent Enrollment and ASCENT students
August 2019**

Pursuant to Section 22-54-103(10)(h) as amended by SB19-176 (see Section wording below), beginning with the 2019-20 school year districts and charter schools will no longer be required to provide attendance verification from an IHE for postsecondary courses taken by their students through the Concurrent Enrollment and ASCENT Programs. However, districts and charter schools will still be responsible for providing documentation showing that they paid the student's share of tuition for the postsecondary course(s) to the IHE on behalf of the student, and credit hour verification.

If a student is only enrolled in postsecondary course off-site at the IHE (in the case of ASCENT, P-TECH, and Early College students), the district and charter schools must provide documentation showing that:

- The student was enrolled with the district/charter school as of the pupil enrollment count date; and
- The student had a schedule as of the pupil enrollment count date that lists the course(s) the student was scheduled to take and complete during the semester of the pupil enrollment count date; and
- The district paid its nonrefundable obligation of the student's share of tuition directly to the IHE on the student's behalf. Documentation must include the number of credits for which the district/charter school paid in order to verify the student's funding level eligibility; and
- The district/charter school has executed a cooperative agreement with the IHE.

Districts and charter schools are still required to provide evidence of attendance for all students taking non-postsecondary courses even if a student is enrolled in both postsecondary courses off-site at the IHE and secondary courses at their high school.

This information has also been updated in the [Student October Count Audit Resource Guide](#) in both the ASCENT and Concurrent Enrollment Program sections.

Section 22-54-103(10)(h) (as amended by SB 19 -176) wording:

- *(l) For the 2019-20 budget year and each budget year thereafter, with regard to a pupil who is simultaneously enrolled in a district or institute charter school and in one or more postsecondary courses, a district or institute charter school must submit evidence of:*
 - A. *Enrollment in the district or institute charter school and evidence, as provided in state board rule, of attendance for any secondary courses the pupil is enrolled in; and*
 - B. *Enrollment in one or more postsecondary courses, by submitting evidence, as described in state board rule, only of the district's or institute charter school's nonrefundable obligation to pay the student share of tuition for the postsecondary course on behalf of the pupil.*