



# Legislative Presentation

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# SB 155

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Free Tuition for high school students taking "tiered" technical courses in a Board of Regents approved program.

Examples of "tiered" courses are:

- Anatomy and Physiology
- Safety OSHA 10
- Blueprint Reading
- First Aid, CPR
- Nutrition
- Precision Instrument
- Geometric Dimension and Tolerance

## SB 155

\$1,000 to the school district for every high school student who earns an industry credential provided that the:

- The industry credential is on a list determined by the Secretary of Labor
- The credential is completed *before* the student graduates from high school

# Credentials/Certifications

## Qualifying for Incentive Payment

- Commercial Driver License (CDL)
- Certified Nurse Aide (CNA)
- Electrical Level 1
- Construction Laborer
- Automotive Service Technician Level 1
- Plumbing and Pipefitting Level 1
- Cisco – Certified Network Associate
- Cisco – Certified Network Professional
- Heating Air Conditioning, Light Commercial HVAC
- AWS – 1F, 2F and 1G
- Carpentry Level 1
- Certified Production Technician (CPT)
- Metalworking Skills (NIMS) Machining Level 1
- Industrial Maintenance Level 1
- Control Center Operations
- Sheet Metal Level 1
- Concrete Finishing
- Introduction to Masonry Level 1
- Certified Production Technician (CPT) Sheet Metal Level 1, Metal Forming
- KS Commercial Pesticide Applicators Certificate
- Agriculture Skills and Competencies Certificate
- Manufacturing Skills Standards Council (MSSC)

- Program started too late for full implementation
- Sticker shock--cost of books, tools and fees
- Because colleges "front" the money, concern about:
  1. Program popularity may lead to proration of funds
  2. Secretary of Labor's list may be a moving target
- May not be enough time to complete industry credential before graduating from high school
- Unclear on whether college faculty need to meet K-12 teacher licensure requirements when teaching students taking the class for high school credit only
- Age limitations
- College calendars and school calendars on two different planets
- School districts may consider going at it alone
- Is this really a career interest or just a way to get out of high school?
- Excludes GED students

**High School/District**

**Student Headcount**

**Maize**

Physics

37

Anatomy & Physiology

57

C.NA

22

116 total

**Valley Center**

Anatomy & Physiology

45

AVC Coursework

9

Health-Related

9

63 total

**USD 259**

C.NA

19

Nutrition

20

39 total

**Derby**

Safety (OSHA)

200

200 total

**418 Total HC**