

Concurrent Enrollment Scholarship Opportunities



The State of Arkansas provides two scholarship opportunities for students enrolled in concurrent courses:

Act 1118 (Free/Reduced Lunch Tuition Waivers)
Act 456 (Concurrent Lottery Scholarship)



Act 1118 – Tuition Waiver

Act 1118

- Provides six hours of concurrent credit tuition waivers for students eligible for the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) Free/Reduced Lunches. Also pays application fee.
- High schools are responsible for certifying eligibility of students for the NSLP/Act 1118 tuition waivers and providing student eligibility lists to the A-State Concurrent Enrollment Program for processing.
- Six hours of tuition waiver credit is the maximum provided by Act 1118 during the high school career.



Act 1118 – Tuition Waiver

Act 1118

- A student must be enrolled in a course taught on the high school campus.
- Course must be taught by a high school instructor.
- Course must be an Arkansas Course Transfer System (ACTS) eligible course. <u>Click here for a list of eligible courses</u>
- Online courses are **NOT ELIGIBLE** for the scholarship.



Arkansas Concurrent Lottery Scholarship

Act 456 – Concurrent Lottery Scholarship

- Provides six hours of free concurrent credit per semester for junior and senior level students.
- Courses must be Arkansas Course Transfer System (ACTS) eligible courses. Click here for a list of eligible courses
- Online courses are **ELIGIBLE** for the scholarship.
- The student must have a success plan on file at the high school.



Arkansas Concurrent Lottery Scholarship

Continued Eligibility

- The student must successfully complete (achieve a final grade of "C" or better) in each course covered by the Arkansas Concurrent Lottery Scholarship.
- A student who does not achieve a grade of "C" or higher **OR** withdraws from a course is put on probation for future scholarship award.
- Concurrent Lottery Scholarship awards do not impact post-secondary lottery scholarship awards.



Arkansas Concurrent Lottery Scholarship

Scholarship Probation

- If a student receives a W (withdrawal) or a final grade below a "C" in a scholarship funded course, the student's eligibility is placed on probationary status and the scholarship award is reduced by three hours the next semester.
- During the probationary semester, if the student successfully completes the enrolled course, the full scholarship award is reinstated the following semester.
- If the student receives a W (withdrawal) or a final grade below a "C" in the probationary semester, all future eligibility for the scholarship will be lost.



Awarding of Scholarship or Tuition Waivers

- All funding for Act 1118 and Act 456 tuition scholarships/waivers is established and provided by the State of Arkansas.
- No expressed or implied guarantee of funding can be provided by the Concurrent Enrollment Program.



Timeline for Scholarship/Tuition Waivers

- September 15 (fall semester) & February 15 (spring semester)
 High school notification of eligible NSLP students is due to the CEP.
- October 15 (fall semester) & March 15 (spring semester)
 High school completion and return of Concurrent Lottery Scholarship eligibility rosters and enrollment is due to the CEP.



A-State Billing

- A-State's Student Accounts Office provides weekly statements of remaining balances without consideration of pending financial aid or scholarships.
- Parents may choose to pay the bill and receive a refund upon application of any financial aid and/or scholarships to the student's account.
- High schools are notified when Act 1118 and Act 456 monies have been applied to student accounts.



Questions

- Contact the Concurrent Enrollment Program at 870.680.8365 or via email at CEP@astate.edu
- Contact the A-State Financial Aid Office at 870.972.2310 or via email at finaid@astate.edu.

