RECOMMENDED ACTION
It is recommended that the following motion be adopted:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the minutes of the October 2, 2018 Board meeting as recorded.

Item #1 - Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum
Chair Laz Lopez called the Board meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. and asked Ann Knoedler to call roll. The following Board members were present at the Chicago location: Laz Lopez, Suzanne Morris, Doug Mraz, Nick Kachiroubas, Paige Ponder. The following Board members were present at the Springfield location: Dustin Heuerman, and John Bambenek. Board members Jim Ayers, Teresa Garate, Terry Bruce and student board member Oscar Sanchez were absent. A quorum was declared.

Item #2 - Announcements and Remarks by Dr. Lazaro Lopez, Board Chair
Chair Lopez thanked the Board members for participating in this special meeting called due to not having a quorum at the September 21, 2018 Board meeting.

Item #3 - Career and Workforce Transition Act Approvals
With the implementation of the Career and Workforce Transition Act, the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) is mandated to review and approve Private Business and Vocational Schools as institutions from which credits in specified program areas may be accepted for transfer by Illinois Community Colleges, in accordance with the law. Institutions must submit applications for review/approval to ICCB Staff by July 1st of each year and the ICCB must render its approval decision, assuming all the required information has been submitted accurately, by the September Board meeting of that same year.

Nick Kachiroubas made a motion, which was seconded by Doug Mraz, to approve the following motion:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the following Private Business and Vocational School as an institution from which credits may be transferred in the stated program areas to an Illinois Community College in accordance with the Career and Workforce Transition Act Section 10 and Section 20:
Midwest Technical Institute (East Peoria, Moline, and Springfield, IL campuses)
- Dental Assisting Certificate (26.5 credit hours)
- Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, Refrigeration and Major Appliance Repair Certificate (28 credit hours)
- Journeyman Welder Certificate (27 credit hours)
- Journeyman Welder II Certificate (36 credit hours)
- Medical Assisting Certificate (26.5 credit hours)
- Medical Coding Certificate (28 credit hours)
- Pharmacy Technician Certificate (26.5 credit hours)

The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote.

Item #4 - New Units

Item #4.1 - Permanent Approval
Suzanne Morris made a motion, which was seconded by Paige Ponder, to approve the following motion:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the following new units of instruction for the community colleges listed below:

PERMANENT PROGRAM APPROVAL
Kaskaskia College
- IDOC Corrections Officer: Youth Supervisor Option A.A.S. degree (66 credit hours)

Prairie State College
- Physical Therapy Assistant A.A.S. degree (74 credit hours)

Shawnee Community College
- Construction Laborer A.A.S. degree (60 credit hours)

Southeastern Illinois College
- Outfitter Wildlife Management A.A.S. degree (62 credit hours)
- Outfitter Wildlife Management Certificate (31 credit hours)

Wilbur Wright College
- Associate in Fine Arts: Studio Arts (61 credit hours)
- Computer Numerical Control Machining Certificate (37 credit hours)

The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote.

Item #4.2 - Temporary Approval
Nick Kachiroubas made a motion, which was seconded by Doug Mraz, to approve the following motion:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the following new units of instruction for the community colleges listed below:

TEMPORARY PROGRAM APPROVAL
Carl Sandburg College
- Medical Assistant A.A.S. degree (60 credit hours)
- Patient Care Technician Certificate (34 credit hours)
Joliet Junior College

- Geographic Information Systems A.A.S. degree (60 credit hours)

The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote.

**Item #5 - Consent Agenda**

Nick Kachiroubas made a motion, which was seconded by Suzanne Morris, to approve the following motion:

**Item #5.1 - Certification on Eligibility for Special Tax Levy**

The Illinois Community College Board hereby authorizes the Executive Director to issue the annual certificates of eligibility for additional taxing authority to the community college districts meeting the following statutory criteria:

1. Received an equalization grant in fiscal year 2018 and/or received an equalization grant in fiscal year 2019; and
2. Had combined educational and operations and maintenance purposes tax rates less than 29.12 cents per $100 of equalized assessed valuation.

**Item #5.2 - Proposed Amendments to the Illinois Community College Board Administrative Rules**

**Item #5.2a Implement of Public Act 100-0514, Alternate Route to High School Diploma for Adult Learners**

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the following amendments to the Administrative Rules of the Illinois Community College Board and authorizes its Executive Director to process the amendment in accordance with the Illinois Administrative Procedures Act.

**TITLE 23: EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES**

**SUBTITLE A: EDUCATION**

**CHAPTER VII: ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD**

**PART 1506**

**HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA FOR ADULT LEARNERS**

Section
1506.100 Purpose
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1506.700 Revocation of Program Approval
1506.800 Appeal Process

AUTHORITY: Implementing and authorized by Section 3-15.12a of the School Code [105 ILCS 5].

SOURCE: Adopted at 42 Ill. Reg. ______, effective ____________.
Section 1506.100 Purpose

Section 3-15.12a of the School Code [105 ILCS 5] provides eligible applicants with a process for attaining the authority to award a high school diploma to adult learners. This Part sets forth the rules for eligible applicants to apply for approval from the Illinois Community College Board to award a high school diploma to adult learners.

Section 1506.200 Definitions

"Adult Learner" means a person ineligible for reenrollment under subsection (b) of Section 26-2(b) of the School Code and 34 CFR 300.102. [105 ILCS 5/3-15.12a(a-5)]

"Board" or "ICCB" means the Illinois Community College Board. [105 ILCS 5/3-15.12a(a-5)]

"Career and Technical Education" or "CTE" means organized educational programs of study that prepare students for employment in a specific field and should be aligned with related secondary and/or upper-division programs that require a common knowledge and skill set.

"Dual Credit" means an instructional arrangement in which an academically qualified student enrolls in a college-level course and, upon successful course completion, concurrently earns both college credit and high school credit.

"Eligible Applicant" means an entity listed in Section 1506.300.

"High School Diploma Program for Adult Learners" or "Program" means a program approved to operate under Section 3-15.12a of the School Code that provides a program of alternative study to adult learners leading to the issuance of a high school diploma. [105 ILCS 5/3-15.12a(a-5)]

"Illinois Adult Education Content Standards" means basic reading, language arts, mathematics, and writing standards for adult learners approved by the Illinois Community College Board. These standards are aligned with the Illinois Learning Standards.

"Illinois Learning Standards" means academic standards approved by the Illinois State Board of Education that define what all students in all Illinois public schools should know and be able to do in the seven core areas as a result of their elementary and secondary schooling.

Section 1506.300 Eligible Applicants

a) Applicants must be one of the following entities:
1) A community college established and operating under the authority of the Public Community College Act [110 ILCS 85].

2) A nonprofit entity in partnership with the regional superintendent of schools.

3) A chief administrator of an intermediate service center that has the authority, under rules adopted by the State Board of Education, to issue a high school diploma.


b) Applicants must provide documentation demonstrating that the applicant is or has been unable to establish an agreement with a secondary or unit school district in which the eligible applicant is located to provide a program through which students who successfully complete that program can receive a high school diploma from their districts of residence. This subsection does not apply to a school district applicant (see subsection (a)(4)).

Section 1506.400 Application Process

a) An application from an eligible applicant for a high school diploma program for adult learners shall be submitted electronically to the Illinois Community College Board on forms prescribed by the Board.

b) Each application submitted to the Board shall include:

1) Cover Packet

   A) Contact information, including the Chief Executive Officer, the Program Director, and Fiscal Officer or the equivalent.

   B) A letter from the eligible applicant, other than a school district, that indicates that an agreement cannot be reached between the eligible applicant and a secondary or unit school district in the area. The letter must summarize the discussion and the dates as well as the reasons an agreement could not be established. Additional documentation may also be included (e.g., minutes of meetings).

2) Proposal Narrative

   A) Statement of Need
   Describe the demographic, socioeconomic and employment trends for the proposed service area, including labor market and education attainment data that demonstrates a need for the Program.

   B) Mission and Structure
i) Describe the eligible applicant's mission and past history in serving the adult population.

ii) Describe the administrative structure of the Program.

iii) Describe the financial commitments to support the Program and ensure that outcomes and goals are met.

C) Instructional Program Design and Activities

i) Describe the instructional activities, including the curriculum, program sequence and multidisciplinary courses. Include any online or technology based curriculum that will be used.

ii) Describe the Program and its connection with the Illinois Learning Standards and Illinois Adult Education Content Standards.

iii) Describe the intensity, duration and frequency of the activities, including but not limited to the times and location.

iv) Describe the plans to deliver a system of career pathways that includes career and technical education courses that lead to industry recognized certifications in high growth and in-demand industry sectors identified through labor market analysis or dual credit courses from a regionally accredited postsecondary educational institution consistent with the Dual Credit Quality Act [110 ILCS 27]. The Program may partner with a community college district in the area of services to provide career and technical education courses that lead to industry recognized certifications.

D) Partnerships and Collaboration

i) Describe established educational partnerships and collaborations, including those with regional offices of education, school districts and community college districts in the area in which the Program is delivered.

ii) Describe connections to the community that will enhance the ability to deliver services to adult learners, including business and industry, local workforce boards, social service agencies, State agencies, and other stakeholders.
E) Recruitment, Enrollment and Retention Strategies

i) Describe the recruitment and enrollment process, as well as retention strategies.

ii) Describe the target populations to be served in the Program. Strategies for the delivery of instructional services through a Program should target the following populations:

- Long-term unemployed and underemployed, and those not in the labor force who demonstrate a deficiency in basic skills;
- Low-income adults;
- Individuals with disabilities;
- Individuals receiving public assistance;
- Out-of-school youth;
- Veterans;
- Migrant and seasonal farmworkers;
- Incarcerated and other institutionalized individuals;
- Re-entry individuals (ex-offenders);
- English Language Learners;
- Older individuals;
- Homeless individuals;
- Single parents, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) recipients, and displaced homemakers;
- Youth in the foster system or who have aged out; and
- Low literacy adults, without a high school diploma.
Describe the requirements for Program completion, including the use of any standardized testing or assessments. Adult learners must also complete the U.S. and Illinois State Constitution Tests, as well as the Flag Test, as required by the School Code (see 105 ILCS 5/27-3).

G) Support Services

i) Describe the support services that will be provided by the applicant or in coordination with partners (e.g., transportation, childcare services, employment).

ii) Describe any assessments that will be used to determine eligibility for services.

iii) Describe the academic, behavioral and emotional support services to be offered to adult learners enrolled in the Program.

H) Program Accountability and Evaluation

i) Describe specific outcomes, goals and metrics of the Program, including enrollment projections and completions.

ii) Describe the use of any Board approved adult education assessments in determining reading and math levels (i.e., pre- and post-testing).

iii) Describe the use of Program data to evaluate the success of the Program and the outcomes of adult learners.

I) Professional Development

i) Describe all staff and responsibilities related to the Program, including: Program administrator, coordinators, counselors and instructional staff, including licensed teaching staff, teacher aides, tutors, and others staff involved in the Program.

ii) Describe the specific certifications of staff, including educator licenses valid for the high school grades or other adult education specific certification approved by the Board. All instructional teaching staff must hold an educator license valid for the high school grades issued under Article 21B of the School Code.
iii) Describe the professional development requirement for all staff, including completion of the required new teacher orientation.

c) In addition to the above required information, a nonprofit eligible applicant shall provide the following to the Board:

1) Assurance through evidence and documentation that the nonprofit entity has the ability and capacity to fulfill all the requirements of this Part and Section 3-15.12a(b) of the School Code.

2) A description of the coordination and oversight the partner entity will provide in the administration of the Program by the nonprofit entity.

3) Evidence that the nonprofit entity has a history of providing services to adult learners whose educational and training opportunities have been limited by educational disadvantages, disabilities and challenges.

Section 1506.500 Approval Process

a) Initial approval of an eligible applicant by the Board shall be for a period of two school years.

b) After initial approval, renewal of an eligible applicant by the Board shall be for a period of four school years and shall be contingent upon submission to the Board of an application for renewal in accordance with the provisions of Section 1506.400 and demonstration to the Board of specific documented outcomes of:

1) Student progression data;

2) Attendance hours;

3) Enrollment data;

4) Program goals and metrics;

5) Graduation rates and completion;

6) Earning of industry recognized credentials;

7) Program recruitment and retention;

8) Professional development of staff;

9) Program costs; and

10) Evaluation processes.
c) All decisions of the Board shall be provided to eligible applicants in writing through mail or electronic notice. The Board shall make public a list of approved programs on its official website.

Section 1506.600 Reporting Requirements

a) Programs are required to provide quarterly reports to ICCB.

b) Quarterly reports are to include, at minimum:

1) Student enrollment and progression data.
   A) Program recruitment, enrollment and retention data.
   B) Attendance hours.

2) Program outcomes data.
   A) Graduation rates.
   B) Earning of high school diplomas.
   C) Earning of industry-recognized credentials.

3) Program goals and metrics for evaluation.

Section 1506.700 Revocation of Program Approval

a) If an entity authorized to offer a Program fails to meet any of the requirements of this Part or Section 3-15.12a(b) of the School Code, the Board shall place the Program on probationary review.

b) Programs in review status shall follow a corrective action plan outlined by the Board to regain approved status. Corrective action plans will be designed to address the specific deficiencies and may include such elements as monitoring of program performance and outcomes identified in Section 1506.500(b).

c) Programs under a corrective action plan that fail to complete the requirements of their corrective action plan within the time allotted by the plan will have their status as an approved Program revoked by the Board.

Section 1506.800 Appeal Process

a) All decisions of the Board that result in nonapproval of a Program or revocation of an approved Program shall be provided in writing in the form of a letter delivered by certified mail and shall specify the reason for the nonapproval or revocation.
b) All decisions of the Board that result in nonapproval or revocation may be appealed within 30 days after receipt of the written notification by submitting a written request for reconsideration of the decision to the ICCB Chair.

c) The ICCB Chair shall review the request and place it on the agenda of the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board.

d) The appellant may make both oral and written presentations to ICCB at the time the decision is reconsidered.

Item #5.2b - 2018 Academic, Fiscal, and Research and Policy Studies Combined Rulemaking

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the following amendments to the Administrative Rules of the Illinois Community College Board and authorizes its Executive Director to process the amendment in accordance with the Illinois Administrative Procedures Act.

TITLE 23: EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES
SUBTITLE A: EDUCATION
CHAPTER VII: ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD

PART 1501
ADMINISTRATION OF THE ILLINOIS PUBLIC COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT

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AUTHORITY: Implementing and authorized by Articles II and III and Section 6-5.3 of the Public Community College Act [110 ILCS 805/Arts. II and III and 6-5.3].

SUBPART A: ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD ADMINISTRATION

Section 1501.101 Definition of Terms and Incorporations by Reference

a) Definitions

"Act" means the Public Community College Act [110 ILCS 805].

"Board" means the Board of Trustees of an Illinois public community college district.
"Classification of Instructional Programs" or "(CIP)" means a taxonomic scheme that supports the accurate tracking and reporting of fields of study and program completion activity.

"College" means an Illinois public community college.

"Executive Director" means the executive officer and the executive secretary of the ICCB.

"ICCB" or "State Board" means the Illinois Community College Board.

"ICCB Grants" means funds appropriated by the State of Illinois to ICCB for community colleges.

"Student Member" means the member of ICCB who has been selected by ICCB's Student Advisory Committee. The student member has all the privileges of membership defined in Section 2-3 of the Act.

"Recognition Continued" means a status granted to a district that generally meets ICCB standards.

"Recognition Continued-with Conditions" means a status granted to a district that generally does not meet ICCB standards. A district is judged not to meet ICCB standards when one or more of the following conditions exist:

- the district continues to be out of compliance with standards cited during the previous visit;
- applicable standards are disregarded; and/or
- the district is found to be out of compliance with significant applicable standards.

"Recognition Interrupted" is a status granted to a district that fails to meet ICCB standards within a specified period of time after being assigned a status of recognition continued-with conditions.

"Shared Data Agreement" means a written contract between parties that defines the care and handling of sensitive or restricted use data, including, but not limited to, the terms of the agreement, ownership of the data, security measures and access to the data, uses of the data, data confidentiality procedures, duration of the agreement, and disposition of the data at the completion of the contract.

"Student Advisory Committee" or "SAC" means the ICCB student advisory committee created by Section 2-1 of the Act.

"Student-Level Data" means demographic, performance, and other data that pertains to a single student.
b) Incorporation by Reference
"Program Classification Structure", 2nd Edition (Technical Report 106) (1978). Collier, Douglas J. This document may be obtained from the National Center for Higher Education Management Systems (NCHEMS), 3035 Center Green Drive, Suite 150, Boulder CO 80301-2251 or from info@nchems.org. This incorporation by reference does not include any later editions or amendments.

(Source: Amended at 42 Ill. Reg. ______, effective ____________)

Section 1501.108 Organization of ICCB (Repealed)

(Source: Repealed at 42 Ill. Reg. ______, effective ____________)

Section 1501.109 Appearance at ICCB Meetings (Repealed)

(Source: Repealed at 42 Ill. Reg. ______, effective ____________)

Section 1501.115 Data Repository

Under the authority of the P-20 Longitudinal Education Data System Act (105 ILCS 13], ICCB is the State Education Authority responsible for collecting and maintaining authoritative enrollment, completion, and student characteristic information on community college students. Illinois Community College system data collection, administrative data matching, and reporting is coordinated through ICCB.

(Source: Added at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective ____________)

Section 1501.116 Use, Security and Confidentiality of Data

a) The ICCB and entities accessing ICCB data shall comply with all applicable federal and State laws which regulate the privacy and use of, and access to, shared data. (See, e.g., the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (20 USC 1232g); the Illinois School Student Records Act [105 ILCS 10]; the Data Processing Confidentiality Act [30 ILCS 585]; the Freedom of Information Act [5 ILCS 140]; Section 487 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (20 USC 1094)).

b) ICCB data is confidential and shall not be used or shared for any purpose other than that which is directly related to internal operations of ICCB or that which is stipulated in an ICCB shared data agreement with another entity. Entities accessing ICCB data shall be responsible for meeting ICCB shared data agreement security procedures and protocols, pursuant to Section 1501.117, to protect the integrity of the data accessed, stored, transmitted or received.

(Source: Added at 42 Ill. Reg. ______, effective ____________)

Section 1501.117 Shared Data Agreements
a) Student-level data furnished by the ICCB on behalf of Illinois community colleges is licensed by ICCB and remains the property of ICCB.

b) All requests for data files, data products, aggregations or reports containing student-level data elements, except in the case of State and federal mandated accountability reporting, shall be made in writing to ICCB using ICCB forms.

c) All requests shall be approved by the Executive Director prior to execution of a shared data agreement.

d) All data obtained from ICCB shall be used solely for the purpose identified by the requesting entity. The scope and term of this usage will be detailed in a shared data agreement specific to each request. Use of the data for any other purpose shall require a separate and specific written request, approval, and shared data agreement.

e) The entity in receipt of ICCB student-level data must comply with applicable laws and regulations with respect to the protection of privacy, security and dissemination of the confidential information. Upon completion of the data sharing purpose, the entity shall return it to ICCB or destroy it and any copies, as specified in the data sharing agreement.

(Source: Added at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective ____________)

Section 1501.118 Processing Fees

The Board may charge fees to the requesting entity for providing access to data files or producing studies, data products or analyses of data. A schedule of fees for datasets and products is set forth in Appendix A. In addition to standard data product fees, the Board will assess a 30 percent surcharge for complex requests related to longitudinal analysis and generation of outcomes measures. Providing outcomes measures includes data compilation for performance and evaluation and interpretation of results.

(Source: Added at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective ____________)

SUBPART B: LOCAL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

Section 1501.201 Reporting Requirements

Complete and accurate reports shall be submitted by the district/college to ICCB in accordance with ICCB requirements and on forms provided by ICCB, where applicable. Listed in this Section is the schedule of due dates indicating when items from the community colleges are due at the Illinois Community College Board Office:

January 15
  • annual financial statements and notice of publication (see Section 1501.506)

January 31
  • certificate of tax levy (see Section 1501.510(f))
  • construction project status reports (see Section 1501.607(a))
February 1  •  annual African American Employment Plan Survey (see Section 1501.308(b))
•  annual Hispanic/Latino Employment Plan Survey (see Section 1501.308(b))
•  annual Asian Employment Plan Survey (see Section 1501.308(b))
•  annual Bilingual Needs and Bilingual Pay Survey (see Section 1501.308(b))

February 15  •  spring semester (2nd term) enrollment survey (see Section 1501.406(b))

March 1  •  annual Underrepresented Groups Report (see Section 1501.406(c))

March 31  •  policies for the award of academic credit for prior learning (see Section 1501.311(a))

June 15  •  annual faculty, staff salary and benefits data (see Section 1501.308(a))

July 1  •  Resource Allocation and Management Plan (RAMP/CC) (see Section 1501.510(a))

July 15  •  report of out-of-state extensions (see Section 1501.307(h)(4)
•  annual noncredit course enrollment (see Section 1501.406(d))

August 1  •  annual student enrollment and completion data (see Section 1501.406(a))
•  square footage and acreage (facility information) (see Section 1501.510(b))

September 1  •  budget and tax survey (see Section 1501.510(d))
•  program review report (see Section 1501.303(d)(6))
•  program review listing (see Section 1501.303(d)(6))
•  facilities data (see Section 1501.510(e) and 1501.607(c))
•  annual Student Identification data submission (see Section 1501.406(f))
•  annual report of student course information submission (see Section 1501.406(g))

October 1  •  fall semester enrollment data (see Section 1501.406(a))
•  fall semester enrollment survey (see Section 1501.406(b))

October 15  •  faculty, staff and salary data (see Section 1501.308(a))
•  fiscal year budget (see Section 1501.504)

November 1  •  summer graduate reporting (for the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System Graduation Rate Survey) (see Section 1501.406(e))

December 30  •  external audit (see Section 1501.503(a))
•  annual instructional cost report (see Section 1501.510(c))
•  unexpended special initiative grant funds (see Section 1501.519(d))

30 days after the end of each term – credit hour claims (see Section 1501.406(b) and Section 1501.507(a))

(Source: Amended at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____________)
SUBPART C: PROGRAMS

Section 1501.301 Definition of Terms

Associate Degree. An "Associate Degree" is an award for satisfactory completion of a curriculum of 60 semester credit hours or more.

Associate in Applied Science Degree. An "Associate in Applied Science Degree" is an award for the satisfactory completion of a prescribed curriculum intended to prepare individuals for employment in a specific field.

Associate in Arts Degree. An "Associate in Arts Degree" is an award for the satisfactory completion of a prescribed curriculum intended to transfer to baccalaureate degree programs in one of the arts, humanities, or social or behavioral sciences or one of the professional fields with these disciplines as a base.

Associate in Fine Arts Degree. An "Associate in Fine Arts Degree" is an award for the satisfactory completion of a prescribed curriculum intended to transfer to baccalaureate degree programs in one of the fine arts: art, music, or theater.

Associate in Engineering Science Degree. An "Associate in Engineering Science Degree" is an award for the satisfactory completion of a prescribed curriculum intended to transfer to baccalaureate degree programs in engineering.

Associate in General Studies Degree. An "Associate in General Studies Degree" is an award for the satisfactory completion of a curriculum that has been individually designed by mutual agreement between the student and his/her college-appointed advisor to meet the student's educational intent.

Associate in Science Degree. An "Associate in Science Degree" is an award for the satisfactory completion of a prescribed curriculum intended to transfer to baccalaureate degree programs in one of the mathematical, biological, or physical sciences or one of the professional fields with these disciplines as a base.

Branch. A "branch" is an administrative unit of a college that has a continuing educational mission and serves as a secondary instructional site for the college.

Campus. A "campus" is an organized administrative unit of a college that has a continuing educational mission and serves as a primary instructional site for the college.
Certificate. A "certificate" is an award for satisfactory completion of a series of courses or curriculum of 50 semester credit hours or less.

General certificate. A "general certificate" is an award for satisfactory completion of a series of courses of 30 semester credit hours or less in adult basic education, adult secondary education, remedial education, vocational skills, or general studies.

Occupational certificate. An "occupational certificate" is an award for satisfactory completion of a prescribed curriculum intended to prepare an individual for employment in a specific field.

College. A "college" is a district's administrative unit that is authorized by the Illinois Board of Higher Education to grant postsecondary-level degrees and certificates, is recognized by the ICCB, and provides a comprehensive program of instruction in accordance with Section 101-2(e) of the Act.

Course. A "course" is a sequential presentation, through one or more instructional modes, of subject matter in a particular field to meet specific objectives within a designated time period, such as a semester or a quarter.

Credit for Prior Learning. The evaluation and assessment of a student's life learning through employment, training and experiences outside an academic environment from which skills that comprise terminal objectives are mastered to an acceptable degree of proficiency for college credit, certification or advanced standing toward further education or training.

Curriculum. A "curriculum" is an approved unit of instruction consisting of a series of courses designed to lead to an associate degree or a certificate.

Adult Basic Education. An "Adult Basic Education" curriculum consists of basic skills courses designed to bring students to a competency of eighth-grade equivalency, including English as a Second Language instruction to a level of eighth-grade equivalency.

Adult Secondary Education. An "Adult Secondary Education" curriculum consists of courses designed to bring students to a competency of twelfth-grade equivalency, including English as a Second Language courses through the twelfth-grade equivalency and General Educational Development (GED) examination preparation.

District Curriculum. A "district curriculum" is a curriculum approved for offering within a district, on the basis of student interest, employment demand, and available resources within the district.

General Studies. A "General Studies" curriculum consists of courses designed to meet individual student goals, in the promotion of personal improvement and self-understanding.
Regional Curriculum. A "regional curriculum" is a curriculum approved for offering within a particular region of the state, on the basis of student interest and employment demand within the region.

Remedial Education. A "Remedial Education" curriculum consists of courses in computation, communication (i.e., writing and speaking), and reading, designed to improve the competency of high school graduates, or those persons achieving high school equivalency through standardized testing, to the level necessary for placement into communication and mathematics courses required of first-year college students. Remedial courses reiterate basic skills that students were expected to have mastered prior to entry into post-secondary education.

Statewide Curriculum. A "statewide curriculum" is a curriculum approved for offering on the basis of student interest and employment demand statewide.

Educational Agency. An "educational agency" is an agency, corporation, or other defined legal entity that offers instruction.

Extension Center. An "extension center" is an instructional site for the college that is used for offering some of the college's courses and/or programs for a limited duration.

General Education Core Curriculum (GECC) Credential. A credential provided by the college for completion of the 37 to 41 credit hours to satisfy the GECC of the Illinois Articulation Initiative.

Higher Learning Commission or HLC. "Higher Learning Commission" or "HLC" means an independent corporation that serves as one of six regional institutional accreditors in the U.S. and accredits degree-granting post-secondary educational institutions in the North Central Region, which includes Illinois.

Internship/Practicum. An "internship/practicum" is a course of planned and supervised training that allows the application of theory to actual practice and prepares a student for working independently in a specific career. The internship/practicum generally occurs after the student has completed 12 credit hours. It takes place at a regular worksite and instruction/supervision is shared by a college instructor/supervisor and a qualified employee at the worksite. Clinical practicums take place in a hospital or other medical/health facility and require close supervision/instruction/monitoring by a qualified college instructor.

Laboratory. A "laboratory" is a course of planned and supervised training in which students learn new methods or principles through experimentation, observation, and/or practice. A lab class can occur at the beginning, middle, or end of a particular course of study and may be a specially equipped room.
designed for experimentation, observation, and/or practice on the college campus or at the worksite.

PBVS Program of Study. "PBVS Program of Study" means any of the programs listed in Section 10 of the Career and Workforce Transition Act [110 ILCS 151].

Principal Site. The principal site is the official mailing address of the college.

Private Business Vocational School or PBVS. "Private Business Vocational School" or "PBVS" means a non-degree granting institution that is regulated and approved by the Board of Higher Education under the Private Business and Vocational Schools Act of 2012 [105 ILCS 426] and that is nationally accredited by an accreditor approved by the U.S. Department of Education.

Public Service. "Public service" consists of noncredit classes and other activities of an educational nature, such as workshops, seminars, forums, exhibits, and the provision of college facilities and expertise to the community, designed to be of service to the public.

Research. "Research" consists of investigations or experiments to discover or interpret facts, to revise accepted theories, or to apply those revised theories.

Secondary School. A "secondary school" shall be used to mean private or parochial secondary school, public secondary school district, or public unit school district.

Unit of Instruction. A "unit of instruction" is any one of the following:

An organized program of study consisting of a sequence of courses that results in the award to a student of a certificate or an associate degree. Any existing organized program of study offered at a new geographical location outside of the college district.

Any organized administrative entity that would have a continuing instructional mission, including but not limited to a college, campus, or branch.

Unit of Research or Public Service. A "unit of research or public service" is a college's subdivision such as a division, institute, or center, that administers one (or more) research or public service program.

Vocational Skills. "Vocational Skills" consists of courses designed to provide short-term job entry training, to upgrade the skills of persons already employed, or to review skills for career re-entry.

(Source: Amended at 42 Ill. Reg. ______, effective ____________)

Section 1501.309 Course Classification and Applicability
a) **Course Classification.** Information on courses for which credit is to be awarded shall be submitted to ICCB on forms provided by ICCB in order for the courses to be classified into appropriate instructional and funding categories and added to the college's Management Information System (MIS) Course Master File.

b) **Course Credit Hour Determination**

1) Credit hours for courses for which ICCB credit hour grants are to be claimed shall be determined on the basis of an expected 45 hours of combined classroom/laboratory and study time for each semester hour or 30 hours of such time for each quarter credit hour.

2) Courses with students participating in lecture/discussion oriented instruction will be assigned one semester credit hour or equivalent for each 15 classroom contact hours of instruction per semester or equivalent. It is assumed that two hours of outside study will be invested for each classroom contact hour.

3) Courses in which students participate in laboratory/clinical-laboratory oriented instruction will be assigned one semester credit hour or equivalent for each 30-45 classroom contact hours of instruction per semester or equivalent. It is assumed that one hour of outside study will be invested for each two laboratory contact hours.

4) Students who participate in nonclinical internship, practicum, or on-the-job supervised instruction shall receive one semester credit hour or equivalent for each 75-149 contact hours per semester or equivalent and students who participate in clinical practicums shall receive one semester hour credit or equivalent for each 30-60 contact hours per semester or equivalent. It is assumed that one hour of outside study time will be invested from each two clinical practicum contact hours.

5) Students who participate in an approved program with an intensified or accelerated schedule shall be exempt from the contact hour requirements of this subsection (b).

c) **Course Syllabus.** A syllabus shall be developed and maintained for each credit course and shall be available to the public and students upon request. A syllabus contains the description of the course, specific objectives of the course, a topical outline, and the method for evaluating student performance.

d) **Course Applicability.** All credit courses must be part of an approved unit of instruction (see Section 1501.302), and the approved unit of instruction for each course shall be indicated on the college's ICCB MIS Course Master File.

1) **Lower-division Baccalaureate Courses.** Courses designed to meet lower-division baccalaureate degree requirements shall be applicable to associate
transfer degrees. For each baccalaureate course offered, the college shall either obtain approval for the course to be listed as a Statewide articulated transfer course by a general education or baccalaureate major panel of the Illinois Articulation Initiative or maintain current written articulation agreements or transfer equivalency documents with:

A) at least three Illinois public universities;

B) at least three baccalaureate degree-granting institutions to which a majority (51%) of the college's students transfer; or

C) one or more baccalaureate degree-granting institutions to which a majority (51%) of the college's students, majoring in the field for which the course is required, transfer.

2) GECC Credential. Upon a student's completion of the GECC, a college is authorized to award a GECC credential, which shall, at a minimum, consist of a notation on a transcript for the student achieving the credential.

3) Remedial Course Credit. No remedial course credit shall be applicable to associate degrees designed for transfer to institutions granting baccalaureate degrees.

4) Adult Basic Education Course Credit. No adult basic education course credit is applicable to degrees or to certificates, except the Adult Basic Education Certificate.

5) Adult Secondary Education Course Credit. No adult secondary or college preparatory education course credit is applicable to degrees or certificates, except the Adult Secondary Education Certificate.

6) General Studies Course Credit. General studies course credit is applicable only to the Personal Development; Homemaking; Improving Family Circumstances; Intellectual and Cultural Studies; Community and Civic Development; and Health, Safety and Environment Certificates.

e) Special Upper-Division Courses

1) A college may offer any course that is offered by a university, regardless of numbering system, if the university normally permits its own students to take the course as lower-division students. These courses will be eligible for ICCB grants, if they meet all other criteria.

2) If at least three public universities in Illinois agree, or if a public university that is the principal recipient of transfers from the community college agrees, certain special courses taught at the upper-division level may be offered by a college and be eligible for ICCB grants, provided they meet
all other criteria.

f) Independent Study. Independent Study course credit shall not exceed 25 percent of the credit hour requirements for a student to earn an associate degree. The topic of an independent study course shall be listed on the student's permanent academic record.

g) Internships. An internship experience for credit that is designed to provide the student an opportunity to put into practice the theories and techniques learned in the classroom/laboratory shall be applicable to an associate degree or certificate, provided at least 12 semester credit hours or equivalent in the corresponding curriculum are completed by the student prior to, or are taken by the student concurrently with, the experience.

h) Courses Approved as Repeatable

1) Courses in which the content varies from term to term or from student to student (e.g., independent study, special topics, and internship courses) or in which a student is expected to gain increased depth of knowledge and skill through repetition (e.g., music, speech, theatre, and journalism performance or production courses) shall, at the request of the college, be approved for repeatability under the following conditions:

A) The number of times the course may be taken for credit does not exceed four semesters (or six quarters);

B) The method of determining the amount of credit to be awarded for each section of the course, for each term, or for each student is specified in the college's catalog, on the course syllabus, and on the course classification form, and the subject matter and number of credits for which the student enrolled is specified on the student's permanent academic record;

C) The college's catalog, the course syllabus, and the course classification form requesting approval of repeatability by the ICCB indicate the number of such credits that will apply to degree or certificate completion for a single course or a combination of related courses; and

D) The total number of credit hours for a single course or for a combination of related courses that are applicable to degree or certificate completion does not exceed the maximums established in subsection (f) governing independent study, subsection (b) governing credit hour determination, or Section 1501.507(b)(10) governing the maximum rate of credit hour production.

2) A vocational skill course that persons employed in an occupation or vocation must retake periodically by law in order to maintain employment
shall, at the request of the college, be approved for repeatability under the following conditions:

A) The content of the course is determined by law and does not change from one year to the next; and

B) A copy of the law (or regulation administering it) and a course syllabus accompany the course classification form requesting repeatability.

3) An adult basic, adult secondary, or a remedial education course that is organized into discrete modules and offered for variable credit shall, at the request of the college, be approved for repeatability under the following conditions:

A) No discrete module is repeated more than three times;

B) The title of each module completed and the grade received is permanently recorded on the student's permanent academic record; and

C) The content and number of credit hours for each discrete module is shown on the course syllabus and on the course classification form requesting approval of repeatability by ICCB.

4) An adult basic, adult secondary or a remedial education course that is not organized into discrete modules shall, at the request of the college, be approved for repeatability under the following, conditions:

A) The number of times the course may be taken for credit does not exceed four times (i.e., repeatable three times);

B) The variety of skill levels included in the course and the methods used to accommodate individual differences based on an assessment of student skills is specified in the course syllabus; and

C) The course title and the grade received is permanently recorded on the student's academic record each time that the course is taken.

(Source: Amended at 42 Ill. Reg. ______, effective ____________)

Section 1501.311 Credit for Prior Learning

a) Policy and Procedures

1) Each college shall electronically submit to ICCB for review its policies for the award of academic credit for prior learning. This submission shall be
made by March 31 of each calendar year for policies effective in the subsequent Fall semester,

A) These policies shall include a listing of the types of documentation acceptable to the college and the dates of inclusion for which credit for prior learning is acceptable.

B) At a minimum, each college shall publish the procedures for students to earn credit for prior learning in its catalog and on its official website.

C) Colleges shall regularly monitor, evaluate and, if necessary, revise credit for prior learning activities.

2) As a part of these policies, each college shall adopt a specific policy for the awarding of academic credit for military training that is considered applicable to the requirements of the student's certificate or degree program.

A) The policy shall apply to any student who is enrolled at the college and who has successfully completed a military training course or program as part of his or her military service that is:

   i) recommended for credit by a national higher education association that provides credit recommendations for military training courses and programs;

   ii) included in the student's military transcript issued by any branch of the armed services; or

   iii) otherwise documented as military training or experience.

B) These policies may be incorporated into the college's broader credit for prior learning policies.

3) This Section is not applicable to secondary/postsecondary articulation agreements or dual enrollment.

b) Awarding Credit for Prior Learning

1) Credit for prior learning can be awarded only after the assessment of prior learning experiences and only for documented learning that demonstrates achievement of all terminal objectives for a specific course or courses.

2) Colleges awarding credit for prior learning must validate credit on a course-by-course basis. The following publications and methods are acceptable for validating prior learning for awarding credit:
A) Standardized tests:
   i) College-Level Examination Program (CLEP);
   ii) Excelsior College/Formerly American College Testing Proficiency Examination Program (ACT-PEP/RCE/EXCELSIOR);
   iii) Defense Activity for Nontraditional Educational Support (DANTES);
   iv) Advanced Placement (AP);
   v) International Baccalaureate (IB);

B) College examinations:
   i) Examination (written, oral, demonstration or a combination of all three) that is equivalent to the comprehensive final exam;
   ii) Evaluation by an area dean or designated subject expert;

C) Published guides:
   i) American Council on Education (ACE) for military training and experiences;
   ii) ACE (non-collegiate) for industrial and corporate training programs;
   iii) Other published guides developed by nationally recognized organizations;

D) Portfolios:
   i) Credit through the development of a portfolio;
   ii) Evaluation by subject matter experts.

3) Credit may not be awarded twice for the same learning.

c) Standard for Awarding Credit for Prior Learning

1) The student must enroll at the college and meet all admission requirements for the program in which course credit for prior learning is being sought. A college may seek an exception to this provision by making a request and receiving subsequent approval from ICCB.
2) Fifteen credit hours toward a degree must be completed at the college prior to awarding credit for prior learning to degree seeking students.

3) Twenty-five percent of the required credits for a certificate must be completed at the college, prior to awarding credit for prior learning to certificate seeking students.

4) College validation procedures should be objective to the extent that external evaluators would reach the same conclusion given the material reviewed.

d) If pursuing a transfer degree (Associate of Arts (AA), Associate of Science (AS) or Associate in General Studies (AGS)), credit for prior learning will only be granted for the purpose of satisfying graduation requirements. These credits might not transfer to other colleges.

e) All work assessed for prior learning must meet or exceed a grade level of "C". Minimum cut-off scores on standardized tests are set at a "C" grade level.

f) In the process of determining if credit can be awarded for prior learning, colleges shall charge students only for the cost of the prior learning assessment services and not for the amount of credit awarded.

(Source: Added at 42 Ill. Reg. ______, effective ____________)

SUBPART E: FINANCE

Section 1501.501 Definition of Terms

"Annual Financial Statement" means an annual financial report and an annual program report that is required to be published by a district.

An annual financial report includes a statement of revenues and expenditures, along with other basic financial data; and

An annual program report includes a narrative description of programs offered, goals of the district, and student and staff data.

"Attendance at Midterm" means a student is "in attendance at midterm" in a course if the student is currently enrolled in and actively pursuing completion of the course.

"Auditor" means a person who enrolls in a class without intent to obtain academic credit and whose status as an auditor is declared by the student, approved by college officials, and identified on college records prior to the end-of-registration date of the college for that particular term.

"Capital Renewal Grants" means State grants allocated proportionally to a
community college district based on the latest fall on-campus nonresidential gross square feet of facilities as reported to the ICCB. These grants are to be used for miscellaneous capital improvements such as rehabilitation, remodeling, improvement, and repair; architect/engineer services; supplies, fixed equipment, and materials; and all other expenses required to complete the work.

Lincoln's Challenge Scholarship Grants" means scholarships provided to a community college to graduates of the Lincoln's Challenge Program administered by the Illinois Department of Military Affairs.

Midterm Class List Certification" means the college's process for certifying students in attendance at the midterm to the ICCB as part of the proof that a student's credit hours are eligible for State funding. The district shall file with the ICCB a document outlining the process (including but not limited to specific steps and/or procedures, steps for obtaining an electronic midterm certification signature, etc.) it follows as part of that certification and the district shall file an amended process any time changes are made, but not less than once every five years.

Midterm Certification Signature" means midterm class lists obtained and maintained by the college that are manually signed and dated by faculty or electronic signature of the faculty.

If the college chooses to accept an electronic signature of faculty, then the college must include in the midterm class list certification process a written summary explaining what steps are in place that ensure:

Appropriate administrative and operational controls are in place to ensure faculty only have access to midterm class lists they teach;

Appropriate controls are in place to only allow an electronic signature at the midpoint of the class during a specified period (that is one or two weeks before and one or two weeks after the midpoint of the class);

A faculty member's identity is authenticated and attributed to the midterm certification signature;

The integrity of the electronically signed midterm class list of a course section has been secured and verified; and

The college has the capability of generating signed printed midterm class lists that support the ICCB credit hour claim submission.

A final grade sheet electronic signatures process, if adopted, should be implemented in the same manner as the electronic midterm certification signature.
"Residency – Applicability – Proof of Status" means the college's processes, in accordance with Section 2-16.02 of the Act for verifying the residency status of its students to ICCB as part of proof that its credit hours are eligible to receive ICCB grants. The process shall include the methods for verifying residency as defined in the general provisions, special State provisions, and district provisions of this Section. A district shall file descriptions of any revisions to its process with ICCB before their implementation.

RGeneral Provisions. The following provisions apply both to State and district residency definitions:

To be classified as a resident of the State of Illinois or of the community college district, a student shall have occupied a dwelling within the State or district for at least 30 days immediately before the date established by the district for classes to begin.

The district shall maintain documentation verifying State or district residency of students.

Students occupying a dwelling in the State or district who fail to meet the 30-day residency requirement may not become residents simply by attending classes at a community college for 30 days or more.

Students who move from outside the State or district and who obtain residence in the State or district for reasons other than attending the community college shall be exempt from the 30-day requirement if they demonstrate through documentation a verifiable interest in establishing permanent residency.

Students who are currently under the legal guardianship of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services or have been recently emancipated from the Department and had a placement change into a new community college district shall be exempt from the 30-day requirement if they demonstrate proof of current in-district residency. Documentation of current residency may be submitted to the district from the student, a caseworker or other personnel of the Department, or the student's attorney or guardian ad litem.

RDistrict Provisions. Students shall not be classified as residents of the district where attending even though they may have met the general 30-day residency provision if they are:

federal job corps workers stationed in the district;

inmates of State or federal correctional/rehabilitation institutions
located in the district;

full-time students attending a postsecondary educational institution in the district who have not demonstrated through documentation a verifiable interest in establishing permanent residency; or

students attending under a chargeback or contractual agreement with another community college.

RSpecial State Provisions. Students shall be classified as residents of the State without meeting the general 30-day residency provision if they are:

federal job corps workers stationed in Illinois;

members of the armed services stationed in Illinois;

inmates of State correctional/rehabilitation institutions located in Illinois; or

employed full time in Illinois.

"Senior Citizen" means a person 65 years or older whose annual household income is less than the threshold amount provided in Section 4 of the Senior Citizens and Persons with Disabilities Property Tax Relief Act [320 ILCS 25].

"Special Initiatives Grants” means funds for conducting special initiatives activities. Special initiatives activities are based upon criteria specified in a grant agreement between the college or vendor and the ICCB.

(Source: Amended at 42 Ill. Reg. _______, effective ____________)

Section 1501.505 Student Tuition

community college district will establish its own student tuition rates for in-district residents, in-state out-of-district residents, out-of-state residents, and out-of-country residents in accordance with the Act and this Section.

a) In-District Tuition. The local community college board of trustees may set the tuition rates for in-district residents within the following policies:

1) The local community college board of trustees may set tuition rates for its in-district residents, including variable rates for each of its programs, terms, time of enrollment, courses, delivery method, or other identifiable grouping of courses, as long as the weighted average of the tuition for all credit courses, including adult education, is no more than 1/3 the college district's per capita cost. The method of calculating the per capita cost will be as prescribed in Section 6-2 of the Act.
2) A public community college shall charge in-district tuition rates for students who are currently under the legal guardianship of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services or who have been recently emancipated from the Department and meet the general residency provisions in Section 1501.501.

3) A public community college shall charge in-district tuition rates for students utilizing benefits under the federal All-Volunteer Force Educational Assistance Program or the federal Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008 or any subsequent variations of that Act.

b) Out-of-District Tuition. The local community college board of trustees may set the tuition rates for out-of-district residents living within Illinois within the following policies:

1) The college will use the calculation for out-of-district tuition for chargeback purposes as prescribed in Section 6-2 of the Act. The depreciation rate used in the out-of-district tuition calculation for capital expenditures for equipment and temporary buildings shall be 12.5 percent a year for eight years and for permanent facilities 2 percent a year for 50 years.

2) The college may use the variable tuition provision in Section 6-4 of the Act to set market-driven out-of-district tuition rates for courses offered via Internet, correspondence, and other distance learning modes.

3) The college may set the out-of-district tuition rates for adult basic education, adult secondary education, and English as a second language courses for students who do not meet eligibility requirements in Section 10-22.20 of the School Code.

4) The college may charge in-district tuition to a student who is an out-of-district resident but who is employed for at least 35 hours per week by an entity located in the district or is enrolled in a course that is being provided under terms of a contract for services between the employing entity and the college.

5) The college board of trustees may at its option charge in-district tuition to out-of-district residents who are attending an educational institution located within the college district.

6) The college may enter into cooperative agreements for instruction with its neighboring districts for any or all of their programs to provide increased access to education for their students and may charge in-district tuition rates for students from any district within the cooperative agreement.

7) The college may set the out-of-district tuition rate for all other credit
instruction offered by the college at a minimum of 1.5 times the highest in-district tuition rate of any of its neighboring contiguous Illinois community college districts.

c) Out-of-State Tuition. The local community college board of trustees may set the tuition rates for out-of-state residents within the following policies:

1) The college may use the variable tuition provision specified in Section 6-4 of the Act to set market-driven out-of-state tuition rates for courses offered via Internet, correspondence, and other distance learning modes.

2) The college may set the out-of-state tuition rates for adult basic education, adult secondary education, and English as a second language courses for students who do not meet eligibility requirements in Section 10-22.20 of the School Code.

3) The college may charge in-district tuition to a student who is an out-of-state resident but who is employed for at least 35 hours per week by an entity located in the district or is enrolled in a course that is being provided under terms of a contract for services between the employing entity and the college.

4) The community college board of trustees may at its option charge in-district tuition to students who are out-of-state residents but who are attending educational institutions within the college district.

5) The college may set out-of-state tuition rates within interstate agreements for instruction with out-of-state institutions in accordance with the agreement, subject to approval by the ICCB.

6) The college may set out-of-state tuition rates for all other credit instruction offered by the college at a minimum of 1.67 times its in-district tuition rate.

d) Out-of-Country Tuition. The local community college board of trustees may set the tuition rates for out-of-country residents using the same policies as for out-of-state residents described in subsection (c).

e) Senior Citizen Tuition Waiver. The local community college board of trustees shall permit senior citizens, as defined in Section 1501.501, who reside within the community college district to enroll without the payment of tuition in regularly scheduled credit courses, other than credit courses designed specifically for senior citizens, provided that available classroom space exists and tuition paying students enrolled constitute the minimum number required for the course.

(Source: Amended at 42 Ill. Reg. ______, effective ____________)

Section 1501.507 Credit Hour Claims
a) Claims. Claims for credit hours shall be submitted within 30 days after the end of each term in a format used by ICCB.

b) Course Requirements. Courses that produce credit hours eligible for ICCB grants shall satisfy the following requirements:

1) Courses shall be offered for the number of credit hours for which they are approved by ICCB.

2) Courses that have variable credit hours shall be claimed in specified increments only up to the maximum credit value approved for the course.

3) Course data shall be posted to the permanent academic record of each student claimed.

4) Courses shall be a part of units of instruction that have been approved by ICCB, or the courses must be authorized extensions of existing units of instruction.

5) Courses shall have specific written objectives.

6) A course outline shall be available for review by any student or citizen.

7) Courses shall have a method of evaluating student performance that follows the adopted college grading system.

8) Courses shall follow the adopted college policies on student tuition.

9) The following categories of physical education courses shall be the only ones to produce eligible credit hours:

A) Elective physical education courses;

B) Required courses for majors and minors in physical education, recreational leadership, and related programs;

C) Physical education courses in teacher education programs as required by the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board.

10) Courses shall produce a maximum rate of one semester credit hour or equivalent per week. Requests for exceptions to this requirement may be submitted to ICCB. The criteria utilized by ICCB for exceptions shall include:

A) documentation of need for an intensified or accelerated schedule;

B) student population identified with testing and/or screening to
indicate special needs and/or competencies;

C) how courses are instructed, including schedule of classes, study
time allotted for students, method of instruction and how students
are evaluated;

D) time period of instructional activity and projected termination date;

E) procedures to evaluate the accelerated instructional activity.

11) Dual Credit courses offered by the college for high school students during
the regular school day shall be college-level and shall meet the following
requirements:

A) State Laws and Regulations and Accreditation Standards. All State
laws, ICCB regulations, accreditation standards specified by the
North Central Association, and local college policies that apply to
courses, instructional procedures and academic standards at the
college apply to college-level courses offered by the college on
campus, at off-campus sites, and at secondary schools. These
policies, regulations, instructional procedures and academic
standards apply to students, faculty and staff associated with these
courses.

B) Instructors. The instructors for these courses shall be selected,
employed and evaluated by the community college. They shall be
selected from individuals with appropriate credentials and
demonstrated teaching competencies at the college level. For
transfer courses (1.1 PCS (in the ICCB Program Classification
System)), these qualifications shall include a minimum of a
Master's Degree with 18 graduate hours appropriate to the
academic field of study or in the discipline in which they will be
teaching. For career and technical education (1.2 PCS) courses,
these qualifications shall include 2,000 hours of work experience
and appropriate recognizable credentials, depending on the specific
field.

C) Qualification of Students. Students accepted for enrollment in
college-level courses must have appropriate academic
qualifications, a high level of motivation, and adequate time to
devote to studying a college-level course. The students' course
selections shall be made in consultation with high school
counselors and/or principals and are restricted to students who are
able to demonstrate readiness for college-level work, as
determined by placement procedures consistent with those that
would be used with college level students. The students shall meet
all college criteria and follow all college procedures for enrolling
in courses. Credit hours generated by freshman and sophomore
students for dual credit courses are not eligible for reimbursement.

D) Placement Testing and Prerequisites. High school students enrolling in college-level courses must satisfy the same course placement tests or course prerequisites as other college level students, when applicable, to assure that they are qualified and prepared.

E) Course Offerings. Courses shall be selected from transfer courses that have been articulated with baccalaureate institutions in Illinois (see 23 Ill. Adm. Code 1501.309(d)) or from courses in ICCB approved certificate or associate in applied science degree programs.

F) Course Requirements. The course outlines utilized for these courses shall be the same as for courses offered on campus and at other off-campus sites and shall contain the content articulated with colleges and universities in the State. Course prerequisites, descriptions, outlines, requirements, learning outcomes and methods of evaluating students shall be the same as for on-campus offerings.

G) Concurrent Credit. The determination of whether a college course is offered for concurrent high school and college credit shall be made at the secondary level, according to the school's policies and the practices of the district.

c) Student Requirements. The following requirements shall apply to students who generate credit hours eligible for ICCB grants:

1) Students shall be certified by their instructors as being in attendance at midterm by including a certification statement on the midterm class roster, signed and dated by the instructor.

2) Students who complete a course with a passing grade by the end of the term and who were not certified as being in attendance at midterm by the instructor shall be considered as having been in attendance at midterm.

3) Students enrolled in variable entry/variable exit classes or short-term classes of less than eight weeks may be certified by their instructors as having been in attendance at midterm by including a certification statement on the final class roster, signed and dated by the instructor.

4) Students shall be residents of the State of Illinois.

5) Auditors or visitors in a course shall not produce eligible credit hours.

6) Students who repeat enrollment in a course shall produce credit hours
eligible for ICCB grants when one of the following conditions is met:

A) If the student completed the course the first time of enrollment with less than a grade of C (or equivalent) and if the student was claimed for funding, the student may enroll and be claimed in the course one additional time;

B) If the student enrolled in the course previously and withdrew before completing the course, and if the student was claimed for funding, the student may enroll and be claimed in the course one additional time;

C) If a student completed the course previously and was claimed for funding, the student may be claimed for retaking the course if the student uses his/her option to retake the course tuition free under the college's educational guarantee program;

D) If the last time the student completed the course was at least four years previously, the student may be claimed for funding if the student repeats the course to upgrade his/her skills in that area; or

E) If a course has been approved by ICCB to be repeated, the student may repeat the course and be claimed as often as approved by ICCB.

d) Exceptions. The following credits will not be eligible for ICCB funding:

1) Credit by examination;

2) Military service credit for physical education;

3) Transfer of credit earned at other institutions or in the armed forces;

4) Proficiency examinations;

5) Advanced placement credits;

6) Other methods of program acceleration that do not include instruction.

e) Midterm Class List Certification Requirements

1) The midterm class lists' primary purpose shall be for certification of students' credit hours for State funding eligibility or ineligibility.

2) The process must rely on the course section's instructor's assessment of the students' pursuit of successful completion at the midpoint of the class, as indicated by that instructor's midterm certification signature.
3) The college shall document and communicate district requirements to faculty each semester.

4) The college must be able to provide, upon request, a hardcopy midterm class list print out of each course section, submitted on ICCB credit hour claims, containing either a manual faculty signature or an authenticated electronic faculty signature for either ICCB or external audit purposes.

5) Students who participate in an approved program with an intensified or accelerated schedule shall be exempt from the midterm class list requirements of this subsection (e) provided that a final class list is provided.

(Source: Amended at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective ____________)

Section 1501.520 Lincoln's Challenge Scholarship Grants

a) Lincoln's Challenge Scholarship Grants shall be vouchered to community colleges.

b) Students can qualify for their first Lincoln's Challenge Scholarship Grant if they meet the following criteria:

1) Graduate from the Lincoln's Challenge Academy;

2) Earn a high school equivalency certificate;

3) Enroll at an Illinois public community college in a certificate or degree program the next semester following graduation;

4) Maintain and complete an academic course load of at least six credit hours in each fall and spring semester; and

5) Present the "notification of award" letter signed by the Executive Director of the Illinois Community College Board to the community college at the time of registration.

c) The scholarship amount will be awarded up to $1,000 per student per semester for up to four successive semesters to be used toward the completion of a degree or certificate program. Scholarships for the summer semester will not be awarded.

d) The scholarship grants shall be used to cover the cost of education, which includes tuition, books, fees, and required educational supplies for specific programs or classes.

e) To remain qualified for a Lincoln's Challenge Scholarship Grant after initial enrollment, each semester a student must:
1) Submit a renewal application to ICCB requesting continuation of the scholarship for the following semester.

2) Submit a grade transcript showing successful completion of a minimum of six credit hours in the previous semester and a minimum Grade Point Average of 2.0.

3) Submit a grade transcript and application postmarked by July 1 for application to the fall semester and January 1 for application to the spring semester. Applications submitted electronically will be considered postmarked on the date sent.

4) Meet with the community college's designated Lincoln's Challenge Scholarship coordinator at the time of enrollment and at mid-semester, and arrange an exit interview before completing the semester.

5) Comply with academic standards as defined by college policy. Exceptions to this subsection (e)(5), such as extenuating circumstances, shall be documented and reviewed by ICCB staff and the college's Lincoln's Challenge Scholarship coordinator.

6) Scholarship recipients shall notify ICCB of changes to contact information (including mailing address, email address, or phone number) or if the recipient enrolls in a community college other than the one listed on the original application.

7) The grant will only reimburse the college at the in-district tuition rate.

8) To receive the reimbursement, colleges must submit vouchers during the semester the student is enrolled or payment cannot be guaranteed. The following information must be submitted to ICCB for each student:

   1) Name;
   2) Program of study;
   3) Course schedule (including credit hours); and
   4) Costs broken out by tuition, fees, books and required educational supplies.

9) The number of scholarships awarded each year is contingent upon the amount of funds appropriated. The scholarships cannot be guaranteed to students even if all criteria are met. The distribution of available funds among new and renewed scholarships will be determined by the Illinois Community College Board to maximize use of the funds.

10) Community colleges may credit student accounts pending reimbursement, but are not required to waive tuition should funds not be appropriated.
(Source: Amended at 42 Ill. Reg. ______, effective ____________)

Section 1501. APPENDIX A Fee Schedule for Data Matching

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Item #5.3 - Illinois Community College Cooperative Agreements

Item #5.3a - Rend Lake College and John A. Logan College Cooperative Agreement
The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves, bearing in mind all facets of the Dual Credit Quality Act (110ILCS 27), the Intergovernmental Agreement between John A. Logan College and Rend Lake College, which thereby allows the two parties to expand dual credit coursework to the respective high school students of each college district.

Item #5.3b - Rend Lake College and Southeastern Illinois College – Cosmetology Program
The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the Intergovernmental Agreement between Rend Lake College and Southeastern Illinois College, which thereby allows the two parties to implement the sharing of the Cosmetology program.

Item #5.3c - Rend Lake College and Southeastern Illinois College – Cost Sharing
The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the Intergovernmental Agreement between Rend Lake College and Southeastern Illinois College, which thereby allows the two parties to implement an instructor/course cost sharing agreement.

The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Item #6 - Other Business
There was no other business.

Item #7 - Public Comment
There was no public comment.

Item #8 - Executive Session
Suzanne Morris made a motion, which was seconded by Paige Ponder, to approve the following motion:

Item #8.1 - Employment/Appointments Matters
I move to enter Executive Session for the purpose of Employment/Appointment Matters which qualify as acceptable exceptions under Section 2(c) of the Open Meetings Act to hold a closed session.

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:
The motion was approved. The Board entered into executive session at 10:16 am.

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The Board broke for lunch at 11:00 a.m. and returned at 11:30 a.m.

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Nick Kachiroubas made a motion, which was seconded by Paige Ponder, to reconvene Public Session at 1:27 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

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The motion was approved.

**Item #9 - Executive Session Recommendations**

**Item #9.1 - Employment/Appointment Matters**

Nick Kachiroubas made a motion, which was seconded by Paige Ponder, to approve the following motion:

The Board authorizes Board Chair Laz Lopez to negotiate a contract for the position of Executive Director of the Illinois Community College Board to Dr. Brian Durham.

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

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The motion was approved.

**Item #10 – Adjournment**

Nick Kachiroubas made a motion, which was seconded by Paige Ponder, to adjourn the Board meeting at 1:28 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

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The motion was approved.