Accel Dual Credit Program Update

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• House Bill 186 (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-159.2; 20-2-159.3; 20-2-159.4)

A new graduation rule is under discussion for students enrolling in ninth grade for the first time in the 2013-14 school year and subsequent years. Draft discussions include alignment with HB186 requirements.

– Embedded academic courses work into CTAE courses.

– Units of credit based on demonstration of subject area competency instead of or in combination with completion of courses of classroom instruction.

• Students may earn credit through:
  – Completion of course; or
  – “Testing out” or otherwise demonstrating mastery of the course content

– Credits earned through educational options shall be limited to three units of high school credit per student

– Advisement is required (individual graduation plan)

– Dual enrollment
ACCEL DUAL CREDIT PROGRAM

• New Guidelines
  – Beginning July 1, 2012, students will be allowed unlimited semesters to take ACCEL courses
  – Georgia Student Finance Commission (GSFC) will no longer pay for books
  – GSFC will no longer pay for mandatory fees
  – GSFC never has paid for transportation funds

Accel Directory
  – Some new courses have been added.
  – Inactive math courses
    • College Statistics A (27.07910) and B (27.07920)
    • College Calculus A (27.08010) and B (27.08020)
ACCEL CONTINUED

- Additional high school courses may need to be added to our state funded course listing (generic/elective/multiple credit)
- Accel allows up to 12-15 college hours but only a maximum of four high school units of credit can be earned
- Full time Accel students are not allowed to take additional high school courses for credit.
- Course credit may be earned for courses taken at a postsecondary institution via dual enrollment for courses that the student previously earned high school credit for – such units of credit shall only be counted as elective courses
- Student coursework should be approved each semester.
- Accel courses taught on a high school campus must be taught by a teacher who is approved and paid by the postsecondary institution
QUESTIONS???
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