



ARIZONA STATE SENATE
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FACT SHEET FOR S.B. 1373

appropriation; Maricopa community college district

Purpose

Appropriates \$2,000,000 from the state General Fund to Maricopa County Community College District (MCCCD) in FY 2020.

Background

MCCCD operates 10 community colleges and three skill centers. High school students who meet certain requirements may earn MCCCD college credits through dual or concurrent enrollment. MCCCD currently offers two programs with alternate eligibility requirements that provide scholarships and support to high school students for enrollment in concurrent college courses, summer courses and weekend classes.

The Maricopa Achieving a College Education (ACE) Program is an early outreach college preparation program designed to support students who may not consider a college degree an attainable goal. A sophomore student at a participating high school is eligible for the ACE program if the student meets two of the following criteria: 1) is a first generation college student; 2) is from a single-parent home; 3) is part of an underrepresented group; 4) experiences economic hardship; or 5) experiences other environmental factors ([ACE](#)).

Hoop of Learning (HOL) is an early high school-to-college bridge program designed to empower American Indian students to complete high school and transition successfully to higher education. In addition to earning college credits, students have access to cultural resources and classes. High school students are eligible for HOL any time after their first semester if they are registered members of a tribal nation and have at least a 2.0 high school grade point average ([HOL](#)).

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Provisions

1. Appropriates \$2,000,000 in FY 2020 from the state General Fund to MCCCD.
2. States that the Legislature intends that:
 - a) appropriated monies be used for an MCCCD-operated college education program (program) and \$500,000 of the monies be used for program students enrolled in career and technical education courses;
 - b) MCCCD spend appropriated monies to increase high school students' program participation and pay tuition for program participants to enroll in concurrent college courses, summer courses and weekend classes; and

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- c) the program result in an increased number of Native American students who complete high school and successfully transition to higher education, and an increased college completion rate for program participants.

3. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

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