

281—22.2 (261E) Student eligibility. A student shall meet all of the following criteria as a condition of participation in the programs described in Divisions IV and V of this chapter, except that a student enrolled in a career and technical course under Division IV does not have to meet the proficiency requirements set forth in paragraph 22.2(2) “b.” To the extent that postsecondary credit is available to a student under the programs described in Divisions III and VI, the student shall meet all of the following criteria. A student who desires to participate in the postsecondary enrollment options program under Division V of these rules also shall meet the eligibility requirements set forth in rule 281—22.16(261E).

22.2(1) Requirements established by postsecondary institution.

a. The student shall meet the enrollment requirements established by the eligible postsecondary institution providing the course credit.

b. The student shall meet or exceed the minimum performance measures on any academic assessments that may be required by the eligible postsecondary institution.

c. The student shall have taken the appropriate course prerequisites, if any, prior to enrollment in the eligible postsecondary course, as determined by the eligible postsecondary institution delivering the course.

22.2(2) Requirements established by school district.

a. The student shall have attained the approval of the school board or its designee and the eligible postsecondary institution to register for the postsecondary course.

b. The student shall have demonstrated proficiency in all of the content areas of reading, mathematics, and science as evidenced by achievement scores on the most recent administration of the Iowa assessments for which scores are available for the student. If the student was absent for the most recent administration of the Iowa assessments, and such absence was not excused by the student’s school of enrollment, the student is deemed not to be proficient in any of the content areas. The school district may determine whether such student is eligible for qualification under an equivalent qualifying performance measure.

(1) If a student is not proficient in one or more of the content areas of reading, mathematics, and science, the school board may establish alternative but equivalent qualifying performance measures. The school board is not required to establish equivalent performance measures, but if it does so, such measures may include but are not limited to additional administrations of the state assessment, portfolios of student work, student performance rubric, or end-of-course assessments. A school board that establishes equivalent performance measures shall also establish criteria by which its district personnel shall determine comparable student proficiency.

(2) A student who attends an accredited nonpublic school and desires to access postsecondary enrollment options shall meet the same eligibility criteria as students in the school district in which the accredited nonpublic school is located.

(3) A student under competent private instruction shall meet the same proficiency standard as students in the school district in which the student is dually enrolled and shall have the approval of the school board in that school district to register for the postsecondary course. In lieu of Iowa assessments scores as the state assessment, a school district shall allow a student under competent private instruction to demonstrate proficiency in reading, mathematics, and science by any one of the following means:

1. By meeting the same alternative but equivalent qualifying performance measures established by the local school board for all students in the school district in which the student is dually enrolled;

2. By submitting the written recommendation of the licensed practitioner providing supervision to the student in accordance with Iowa Code section 299A.2;

3. As evidenced by achievement scores on the annual achievement evaluation required under Iowa Code section 299A.4;

4. As evidenced by a composite score of at least 21 on the college readiness assessment administered by ACT, Inc.;

5. As evidenced by a sum of at least 141 in critical reading, mathematics, and writing skills on the preliminary scholastic aptitude test (PSAT) administered by the College Board; or

6. As evidenced by a sum of at least 990 in critical reading and mathematics on the college readiness assessment (SAT) administered by the College Board.

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