

## SENATE BILL 105: 2021 Appropriations Act, Sec. 8.13: Advanced Placement Fees for NCSSM/UNCSA High School Students

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OVERVIEW: Section 8.13 of S.L. 2021-180 exempts students enrolled in the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics (NCSSM) and the high school academic program at the University of North Carolina School of the Arts (UNCSA) from paying any fees for registration and administration of examinations for Advanced Placement courses in which the student is enrolled, regardless of the score the student achieves on an examination, to the extent that funds are made available.

The University of North Carolina System Office (System Office) is required to report annually by December 15 to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee and various other entities on Advanced Placement course information for NCSSM and UNCSA. The report must include, at a minimum, the following information from the prior fiscal year:

- Number of students enrolled in Advanced Placement courses and participating in Advanced Placement course examinations, including demographic information by gender and race.
- Student performance on Advanced Placement course examinations, including information by course and by school.
- Amount of State funds expended for fees for Advanced Placement courses by school.

Of the funds appropriated to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina for the 2021-2022 fiscal year for examination fees, NCSSM and UNCSA must reimburse students for all fees already paid by a student for the registration and administration of examinations for Advanced Placement courses in which the student has enrolled for the 2021-2022 school year, regardless of the score the student achieves on the examination. The first report must be submitted by the System Office no later than December 15, 2022.

This section became effective July 1, 2021.

