

6-61-221. Reporting of graduates requiring postsecondary remediation.

Statute text

(a)(1) The Department of Higher Education shall collect information necessary to prepare reports of college achievement of high school graduates from each state-supported institution of higher education.

(2) The Department of Higher Education may contract with appropriate organizations for the preparation of the reports.

(b) The Department of Higher Education and the Office of Accountability of the Department of Education shall work together to develop a compatible system of reporting the number of:

(1) Students who required remediation during their first year of enrollment in a state-supported institution of higher education if the enrollment occurred within two (2) years of graduation from a secondary school in this state;

(2) Students who required remediation and who graduated:

(A) With a 3.0 or higher grade point average on a 4.0 scale; and

(B) From a public high school after completing the:

(i) Program of the minimum core of high school courses recommended for preparation for postsecondary education by the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board and the State Board of Education pursuant to § 6-61-217 known as Smart Core; or

(ii) Non-Smart Core curriculum; and

(3) Attempts it takes a student to pass a postsecondary remedial course, beginning in the 2011-2012 school year.

(c)(1) The compilation report generated by the Department of Higher Education shall not include individual student information if the information is reported in a manner that would identify a particular student.

(2) Any information gathered that identifies a particular student shall be confidential.

(d)(1) The Department of Higher Education shall include the reports developed under this section annually in the Comprehensive Arkansas Higher Education Annual Report and provide an electronic copy to the:

(A) Department of Education;

(B) Department of Career Education;

(C) Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board;

(D) Governor;

(E) House Committee on Education;

(F) Senate Committee on Education;

(G) State Board of Education; and

(H) School district administrators for each public high school.

(2) The reports developed under this section shall be prepared on or before October 1 each year and include the cost of remediation for each state-supported institution of higher education, which shall be submitted to the Department of Higher Education according to standards developed by the Department of Higher Education and shall include for each state-supported institution of higher education:

(A) The amount of institutional revenue spent on remediation;

(B) The total general revenue subsidy spent on remediation;

(C) The total institutional expenditure for remediation; and

(D) The general revenue percentage of total expenditures for remediation.

(3) The report required under this subsection shall be separate from the uniform reporting standards report required under § 6-61-222.

History

History. Acts 1991, No. 880, § 1; 1999, No. 508, § 4; 2009, No. 970, § 1; 2011, No. 696, § 2.

Annotations

Amendments. The 1999 amendment rewrote this section.

The 2009 amendment rewrote the section.

The 2011 amendment subdivided part of (d)(1) as (d)(1) through (d)(1)(G); substituted “include the reports developed under this section annually in the Comprehensive Arkansas Higher Education Annual Report and provide an electronic copy” for “provide the reports” in the introductory paragraph of (d)(1); added (d)(1)(H); rewrote (d)(2); and added (d)(3).