



MISSOURI COURSE ACCESS AND VIRTUAL SCHOOL PROGRAM

Section 1. General Rule

Section 1.1 SLLIS will permit any eligible student to enroll in Missouri Course Access and Virtual School Program (“MOCAP”) courses as part of the student’s annual course load. SLLIS will accept all grades and credits earned through MOCAP.

SLLIS is not required to provide access to or pay for courses beyond the equivalent of full-time enrollment. SLLIS will provide supervision for students who take virtual courses at SLLIS but will not provide supervision for students taking virtual courses offsite.

Section 1.2 SLLIS will inform students and parents/guardians in handbooks, registration documents and on the school’s website of the option to enroll in MOCAP courses.

Section 2. Payment

Section 2.1 SLLIS will pay the costs of MOCAP courses provided that the student (1) is enrolled full-time at SLLIS; (2) the student has attended a public school or charter school for at least one semester immediately prior to enrolling in a MOCAP course (a student may be excused from this requirement if he or she has a documented medical or psychological diagnosis or condition that prevented the student from attending school during the previous semester); and (3) the enrollment is approved in accordance with the enrollment procedures set forth below.

Section 2.2 SLLIS is not obligated to provide students computers, equipment, or Internet access to take a MOCAP course unless otherwise required by law to accommodate a student with a disability.

Section 2.3 SLLIS will pay a MOCAP course provider a monthly pro rata amount based on a student’s completion of assignments and assessments, subject to the cost limitations in state law. SLLIS will stop making monthly payments if a student discontinues enrollment.

Section 3. Enrollment Procedures

Section 3.1 The enrollment process for participation in a MOCAP course will be substantially similar to the enrollment process for other SLLIS courses. A student seeking to enroll in a



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MOCAP course shall notify the school counselor and/or Executive Director. SLLIS will notify the student's parent of the student's intent to enroll in a MOCAP course, and will schedule a consultation conference with the parent, counselor, and administrator. The consultation does not include the counselor's approval or disapproval of enrollment in the MOCAP course.

Section 3.2 If a student is denied enrollment in a MOCAP course, SLLIS will provide, in writing, a "good cause" reason for the denial. Such good cause determination will be based on a reasonable determination that the enrollment is not in the student's best educational interest. When enrollment is denied, the following process will be implemented:

1. The student and parent/guardian will be notified that they may appeal the denial to the Board of Directors ("Board"). However, if the student is receiving special education services, the student's IEP team will make the final decision regarding student enrollment in a MOCAP course in accordance with federal law, and the decision must be appealed through the special education process rather than through the Board.
2. If the student or parent/guardian appeals to the Board, the Executive Director or designee will provide the Board written reasons for denying the student's enrollment, and the student or parent/guardian will provide written reasons the student should be allowed to take the course. Both documents will be retained by the Board and will be incorporated into the Board's minutes. In addition, the student, parent/guardian, and the Executive Director or designee will be allowed to present their arguments at a Board meeting.
3. The appeal to the board shall be held in closed session. The Board will consider the information presented and release a written decision within thirty (30) calendar days of the meeting. The student or parent/guardian may appeal the decision to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education ("DESE"). The appeal to DESE must be filed within seven (7) days of the Board's final decision.

Section 4. Monitoring and Reporting

Section 4.1 SLLIS will monitor the progress and success of students enrolled in MOCAP courses. SLLIS may remove a student from a course if it does not meet the educational needs of the student. SLLIS may terminate access to a course or refuse to allow students to enroll in a MOCAP course if SLLIS determines that the course is not meeting the educational needs of the students enrolled in the course.



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Section 4.2 All concerns regarding the quality or delivery of a MOCAP course will be reported to DESE. SLLIS may consider concerns regarding the quality of a course when making approval decisions for other students. In addition, SLLIS will consider recommendations made by DESE regarding continued or future enrollment in MOCAP courses.