

# SENATE BILL 595

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By: **Senator Rosapepe**

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – Dual Enrollment – Middle School Students**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the grade that certain students must complete in order for  
4 certain public institutions of higher education to accept the student for special  
5 admission; repealing the requirement that certain students must earn a certain score  
6 on a certain test in order for certain public institutions of higher education to accept  
7 the student for special admission; authorizing certain middle school students to  
8 participate in certain dual enrollment programs; and generally relating to dual  
9 enrollment for middle school students.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

11 Article – Education

12 Section 15–101(b), 18–1401(a) and (d), 18–14A–01(a) and (e), 18–14A–04(b), and  
13 24–703.1

14 Annotated Code of Maryland

15 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
17 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

18 **Article – Education**

19 15–101.

20 (b) (1) Each public institution of higher education may accept, for special  
21 admission any student who has[:

22 (i) ~~Completed~~ **COMPLETED** the ~~[seventh]~~ **FIFTH** grade[; and

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (ii) A scholastic aptitude test combined score of 1,200 or an  
2 equivalent score on a nationally accepted college entrance examination].

3 (2) This subsection does not affect the State or local share of aid provided  
4 pursuant to § 5–202 of this article to the secondary school in which the student is enrolled.

5 18–1401.

6 (a) In this section, “part–time student” means a student who:

7 (1) Is enrolled in a degree–granting program at an eligible institution and  
8 taking at least 3 but no more than 11 semester hours of courses each semester; or

9 (2) Is dually enrolled in a [secondary] **MIDDLE OR HIGH** school in the  
10 State and an institution of higher education.

11 (d) For courses completed under the program, a recipient who is dually enrolled  
12 in a [secondary] **MIDDLE OR HIGH** school in the State and an institution of higher  
13 education may not be required to receive credit from a [secondary] **MIDDLE OR HIGH**  
14 school and an institution of higher education at the same time.

15 18–14A–01.

16 (a) (1) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

17 (2) “Dually enrolled student” means a student who is dually enrolled in:

18 (i) A [secondary] **MIDDLE OR HIGH** school in the State; and

19 (ii) An institution of higher education in the State.

20 (3) “Grant” means the Early College Access Grant.

21 (e) For courses completed under the Grant, a recipient is not required to receive  
22 credit from a [secondary] **MIDDLE OR HIGH** school and an institution of higher education  
23 at the same time.

24 18–14A–04.

25 (b) (1) Subject to subsection (d) of this section, for each dually enrolled student  
26 who is enrolled in a public **MIDDLE OR HIGH** school in the county, the county board shall  
27 pay for up to a maximum of four courses in which the student is enrolled while a student  
28 in a public [secondary] **MIDDLE OR HIGH** school in the State:

29 (i) For a public senior institution of higher education, 75% of the  
30 cost of tuition; and

1 (ii) For a community college, the lesser of:

2 1. 5% of the target per pupil foundation amount established  
3 under § 5–202(a) of this article; or

4 2. 75% of the cost of tuition.

5 (2) For each course in excess of four in which a dually enrolled student is  
6 enrolled, the county board shall pay:

7 (i) For a public senior institution of higher education, 90% of the  
8 cost of tuition; and

9 (ii) For a community college, the lesser of:

10 1. 5% of the target per pupil foundation amount established  
11 under § 5–202(a) of this article; or

12 2. 90% of the cost of tuition.

13 (3) If there is an agreement before July 1, 2013, between a public school  
14 and a public institution of higher education in which the public institution of higher  
15 education charges less than 75% of the cost of tuition to a dually enrolled student, the  
16 county board shall pay the cost of tuition under the existing agreement.

17 24–703.1.

18 The Center shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the  
19 State Government Article, the General Assembly on or before December 15 of each year,  
20 disaggregated by local school system, regarding:

21 (1) The number of students who are dually enrolled under Title 18, Subtitle  
22 14A of this article; and

23 (2) The number and course name of the courses in which a student under  
24 item (1) of this section dually enrolls at the **MIDDLE OR** high school and at the public  
25 institution of higher education.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
27 1, 2016.