

Senate Bill 155 Information

Senate Bill 155, or the Governor's CTE Bill, was passed into law on July 1, 2012. The main purpose of the bill is to stimulate growth in Career & Technical Education at both the secondary and post-secondary level in Kansas. The Kansas workforce will increasingly demand a more highly-technical and highly-skilled worker and Senate Bill 155 is aimed at meeting those future demands. There are several parts to Senate Bill 155. The three **financial** aspects of Senate Bill 155 are:

1. **Tuition reimbursement** for high school students enrolled in college-level CTE courses,
2. Incentivizing students graduating with an industry-recognized certifications that lead directly to high-demand occupations in Kansas through a **Certification incentive program**,
3. **Transportation reimbursement** to school districts transporting students off-campus to complete college-level CTE coursework

Link to the actual bill:

http://www.kslegislature.org/li_2012/b2011_12/measures/documents/sb155_enrolled.pdf

Tuition Reimbursement:

As part of Senate Bill 155, the state legislature appropriated money to pay the tuition costs for juniors and seniors in high school who enroll in college-level CTE courses. The link below lists all the approved college CTE programs across the state that qualify for tuition reimbursement:

[2013-2014 College CTE program eligible for tuition reimbursement](#)

Certification Incentive Program:

Under Senate Bill 155, school districts will receive \$1000 for each graduate who earns an industry-recognized certificate that leads to a high-demand occupation in Kansas. The certifications incentivized for 2013-2014 can be found at the link below:

[2013-2014 High-Demand Occupation, Certification Incentive List](#)

Beginning with the graduating class of 2014, high school students now have until December after graduating to earn an incentivized certification and the student's school district will still be eligible for the \$1000 incentive. Stay tuned for changes in reporting timelines.....

Transportation Reimbursement:

The State of Kansas will reimburse school districts for transportation costs at the state per-mile rate for using school-owned vehicles to transport students off-campus for college-level CTE courses. Schools will report this mileage on the Local Effort Form due in June of each year.