

# Name of Institution: Cincinnati State Technical and Community College

## Legislative Requirements

House Bill 64 Section 369.600 requires the board of trustees of each state institution of higher education to develop and implement a plan to provide all in-state, undergraduate students the opportunity to reduce the student cost of earning a degree by five per cent.

Plans are due to the Chancellor by **October 15, 2015**.

*This template is intended to provide guidance for institutions' reports to the chancellor, based on the legislation – please modify and add additional detail as necessary.*

## Total Cost of Attendance at Institution

Please provide a breakdown of average tuition, fees, room, board, textbooks, etc, for a full-time student, living on campus. (Add explanation as necessary)

Type of Cost	Average Cost (Dollar Amount)
Tuition and fees	\$4,420
Books and supplies	\$1,400
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$5,820</b>

*Note: this is based on 26 credit hours per academic year.*

## Outline Options for reducing student costs:

### (1) Reducing the credit hours required to complete an associate or baccalaureate degree offered by the institution

Option offered by the institution	Cost savings to student (Dollar Amount)	Percentage of total cost of attendance
In FY16, the median time to an associate degree was reduced by 3 credit hours. The cost savings listed are based on ½ of the tuition associated with the credit hour reduction plus ½ the average cost of a textbook.	\$355.00	6.1%

### (2) Offering a tuition discount or rebate to any student that completes a full load of coursework, as determined by the board of trustees. ("Tuition" means the instructional and general fees charged by a state institution of higher education.)

Option offered by the institution	Cost savings to student (Dollar Amount)	Percentage of total cost of attendance

**(3) Offering a tuition discount or rebate or reduced tuition option to students enrolling in a summer semester or quarter** ("Tuition" means the instructional and general fees charged by a state institution of higher education.)

Option offered by the institution	Cost savings to student (Dollar Amount)	Percentage of total cost of attendance
For FY16, students participating in College Credit Plus will be able to enroll in the summer semester.		

**(4) Offering online courses or degrees**

Option offered by the institution	Cost savings to student (Dollar Amount)	Percentage of total cost of attendance
The College continues to increase the number of online courses available to students thereby providing cost savings related to transportation, parking fees, etc.		

**(5) Reducing the cost of textbooks using cost-saving measures identified and implemented by the board of trustees**

Option offered by the institution	Cost savings to student (Dollar Amount)	Percentage of total cost of attendance
A textbook rental program is an option available to students saving on average one half of the cost of a standard textbook.		
Online textbooks are also offered in selected courses providing an average savings of 40% as compared to the cost of a standard textbook.		

**(6) Incorporation of remediation in the coursework and curriculum of credit-bearing courses**

Option offered by the institution	Cost savings to student (Dollar Amount)	Percentage of total cost of attendance
Contextualized remediation is currently being piloted in one subject area with plans to scale up into other programs.		

**(7) Offering a fixed rate of instructional and general fees for any additional credits taken by students above a full course load, as determined by the board of trustees**

Option offered by the institution	Cost savings to student (Dollar Amount)	Percentage of total cost of attendance

**(9) Offering fast-track degree completion programs**

<b>Option offered by the institution</b>	<b>Cost savings to student (Dollar Amount)</b>	<b>Percentage of total cost of attendance</b>
Currently efforts are underway to expand the award of credit for prior learning.		

**(10) Eliminating, reducing or freezing auxiliary fees** ("Auxiliary fees" mean charges assessed by a state institution of higher education to a student for various educational expenses including, but not limited to, course-related fees, laboratory fees, books and supplies, room and board, transportation, enrollment application fees, and other miscellaneous charges. "Auxiliary fees" do not include instructional or general fees uniformly assessed to all students.)

<b>Option offered by the institution</b>	<b>Cost savings to student (Dollar Amount)</b>	<b>Percentage of total cost of attendance</b>

**(11) Increased participation in the college credit plus program**

<b>Option offered by the institution</b>	<b>Cost savings to student (Dollar Amount)</b>	<b>Percentage of total cost of attendance</b>
The number of College Credit Plus high school partners has increased by 50% as compared to dual enrollment partners in 2014-15.		

**(12) Offering programs to reduce or eliminate the need for remediation coursework**

<b>Option offered by the institution</b>	<b>Cost savings to student (Dollar Amount)</b>	<b>Percentage of total cost of attendance</b>
The College is developing programs to reduce the need for remediation including boot camp preparation and curriculum redesign in developmental math.		

**(13) Other options offered by the institution** (any other option that does not fall into the categories above can be captured here or on additional pages)

<b>Option offered by the institution</b>	<b>Cost savings to student (Dollar Amount)</b>	<b>Percentage of total cost of attendance</b>

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**Options offered in previous academic years:**

Please be sure to quantify savings as they roll forward into the current academic year. (For instance, a tuition freeze last year would result in \$X and Y% cost avoidance to students in this academic year). Add additional fields and details as necessary.

**(14) Academic Year 2013-2014**

Option offered by the institution	Cost savings to student (Dollar Amount)	Percentage of total cost of attendance
The average credit hours earned by high school dual enrolled students was 4.9.	\$937.00	16.1%
Online textbooks and textbook rental program		

**(15) Academic Year 2014-2015**

Option offered by the institution	Cost savings to student (Dollar Amount)	Percentage of total cost of attendance
Reduced the median hours to complete an associate degree by 4 credit hours.	\$440.00	7.6%
The College continued to expand its awarding of college credit to high school students. In 2014-15, the number of participants increased by 100% as compared to the prior year. In addition, the number of credits earned per student increased to 5.8.	\$1,142.00	19.6%
Online textbooks and textbook rental program		

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**Total Possible Cost Savings for Students** – Please add the previous columns and capture total possible student cost savings here.

Cost savings to student (Dollar Amount)	Percentage of total cost of attendance
\$795	13.7%

*Note; the cost savings in the above total are based on the reduction of credit hours to earn an associate degree (seven hours since 2014). Cost savings associated with high school dual enrollment are not included as they do not impact the majority of students.*