

Rhodes State 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 (FT 30 cr hrs/yr \$4,805.70/yr); median degree length 67 cr hrs x \$160.19	\$10,732.73
Application Fee (\$35), registration fee (\$31); graduation fee (\$25)	\$91.00
Course fees dependent upon program of study	\$
Textbooks (full time) (assume \$1,200/yr)	\$2400.00
No assumption for transportation	\$
No assumption for Room and Board (non-residence campus)	\$
No assumption for miscellaneous personal	\$
	\$
Total:	\$13,223.73

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
Cost Per Cr. Hr. x reduction of 3 cr hrs	\$480.57	3.6%

- (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

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

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

- (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
Used Textbooks (25% of \$2,400)	\$600.00	4.5%

- (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

- (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

(8) Offering fast-track degree completion programs

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

(9) 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.)

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(10) Increased participation in the college credit plus program

Option offered by the institution	Cost savings to student (Dollar Amount)	Percentage of total cost of attendance
Courses taught at high school (no estimate of increased participation)		100%
Textbooks provided free (no estimate of increased participation)		100%

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

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

(12) 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.)

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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.

(13) Academic Year 2013-2014

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

(14) Academic Year 2014-2015

Option offered by the institution	Cost savings to student (Dollar Amount)	Percentage of total cost of attendance
Tuition Freeze (assume 2% 2015-2016) (1 academic yr conservative)	\$96.00	.73%

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
\$1,176.57	8.9%