

STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES
Proposal to Extend the Waiver of 1B SBCCC 200.3(c)(9)
(Multi-Campus Center Funding)

Authority

The State Board of Community Colleges can waive provisions of the State Board of Community Colleges Code (SBCCC) to address unforeseen circumstances where notice and hearing would be contrary to the interest of community college stakeholders (1A SBCCC 200.3).

Background

Colleges must maintain minimum budget FTE numbers at multi-campus centers (MCCs) to continue to receive MCC funding. Due to COVID-19, colleges have moved a large portion of their instruction online. For MCCs, online-only instruction is not counted in budget FTE numbers. Colleges may also have other COVID-19 related reasons for temporary drops in budget FTE counts at MCCs.

At its April 2020 meeting, the State Board voted to waive the minimum budget FTE requirement in 1B SBCCC 200.3(c)(9) to allow colleges to maintain the same level of MCC funding in Fiscal Year 2020-21. This proposal would extend the waiver through FY 2021-22.

Reasons for Extending the Waiver through Fiscal Year 2021-22

MCC allocations for FY 2021-22 will be based on budget FTE counts from Summer 2020, Fall 2020, and Spring 2021. Colleges are moving many classes to online instruction in Summer 2020 and may have to do the same in Fall 2020 and/or Spring 2021. If classes are normally held in person at an MCC, moving to online classes will result in a lower budget FTE count. The proposed waiver would hold colleges harmless for this decline and allow them to keep their same level of MCC funding.

Duration of the Wavier

The waiver would be effective upon the State Board's vote and would apply to budget allocations made for FY 2021-22.