

STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES
Extension of 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. At its July 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 2021-22. This proposal would extend the waiver through FY 2022-23.

Reasons for Extending the Waiver through Fiscal Year 2022-23

MCC allocations for FY 2022-23 will be based on budget FTE counts from Summer 2021, Fall 2021, and Spring 2022. Due to the pandemic, colleges are continuing to hold classes online. 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 as FY 2019-20.

Duration of the Waiver

The waiver would be effective upon the State Board's vote and would apply to budget allocations made for FY 2022-23.