

# Memo

To: Dr. Oppor, and Policy and Personnel Committee  
From: Dan Wolfgram  
cc: Jeanne Frazier  
Date: July 21, 2015  
Re: CAPP Fees

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Dear Dr. Oppor and members of the Policy and Personnel Committee,

Due to changes in legislation, school districts are left with the two options on how to finance CAPP courses. LWHS currently offers CAPP English. I have taken the liberty of pasting the e mail communication from Amanda Ziesemer below, which explains our two possible scenarios. There are two options the school district can take. We would like a decision before the August 4<sup>th</sup> registration day if at all possible.

Greetings CAPP Partners,

We have confirmed with UW System Legal that the state legislation for Course Options has been revised so that students and/or families can be charged tuition and fees for courses for which the student will earn postsecondary credit.

This year has been very challenging and uncertain for all of us and, as we anticipated, the change in legislation will have its own set of challenges and difficulties. We want to make this transition as smooth as possible and are hoping to give you all of the flexibility necessary to make the transition in the way that works best for your school. Therefore, we can offer two options for the 2015-2016 academic year:

## Option 1

Now that the legislation has been changed, the first option, and the one we prefer, is that we will return to charging students/families for CAPP credits. We feel that if we can make the transition back as quickly as possible, it will be better in the long run for all involved. As we have noted in previous communications with you this year, going forward, we will charge students

**\$90 per credit** for tuition. (Due to the suspension of GAPP 36 this year, we are able to reduce the price per credit to just 1/3 of the cost of tuition on campus.) You would invoice your students, as you have done in the past. In this case, we plan to continue our operations and service as usual with some adjustments:

- Tuition Assistance for Free & Reduced Lunch Students: In order to make CAPP more affordable, CAPP will cover 1/2 of the tuition for students on free or reduced lunch making the cost

*\$45 per credit.* The way in which your school plans to charge students beyond that is your school's decision (if your school will offer any additional tuition coverage). We have to work out the details for reporting this, so more information will be forthcoming.

- Other operations that we will continue, but for which we will reevaluate procedures in August, include: number of site visits by liaisons, on-campus visits by CAPP classes, adjunct professional development funds, and adjunct honorariums.

### Option 2

If you believe this transition back to families paying tuition costs will cause problems with your parents, or if you have not prepared families for this possibility and want to cover your students' tuition for this academic year, we want to work with you to make this a possibility and to allow some flexibility. The only caveat would be that if your school opts to pay tuition for your students at the reduced cost this year, we would also have to look at keeping services cut. If you want to pursue this option, we ask that you contact Amanda before

July 31st to discuss this individually.

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If we **do not** hear from your high school administrators, we will assume you have decided to charge your students the tuition (option 1).

By fall 2016, we plan to return to full pricing with the intention that students and parents will pay the tuition (unless your school decides to continue paying) and we will continue the tuition assistance plan for students receiving free or reduced lunch. Our hope is to continue at \$90 per credit as we work to find a permanent resolution with UW System policy GAPP 36 (which sets tuition at 1/2 of the on-campus tuition). We have dedicated a lot of time to analyzing our budgets and costs this year. We are able to reduce expenses this year since the cost of instruction resides in your school, but at the same time, we must keep in mind that we have direct costs that are required and necessary to process and maintain student records and to make sure we are running the best quality program offering

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college courses in the high school. We feel that 30% of UW Oshkosh on-campus tuition is an excellent deal for students to earn college credit without leaving their high school.

Our bottom line is that we want to keep our CAPP offerings running in your high schools and we want to make sure that students who want to enroll in CAPP courses are able to enroll and are not hindered by financial need. Once we have received more information regarding how schools plan to handle this transition, we will put more details out about procedures for 2015-16.

We look forward to a continued conversation with you now and into the future. Please contact us with any questions. Your patience, perseverance, and partnership as always, are greatly appreciated.

Best,

Cathy and Amanda

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