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To enact section 3314.019 of the Revised Code to 1
permit the establishment of hybrid community 2
schools that provide both online and 3
classroom-based instruction. 4

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 3314.019 of the Revised Code be 5
enacted to read as follows: 6

Sec. 3314.019. (A)(1) Any community school established on or 7
after the effective date of this section may function as a hybrid 8
community school in accordance with this section to provide 9
students with a combination of internet- or computer-based 10
instruction and classroom-based instruction. The contract adopted 11
under section 3314.03 of the Revised Code shall describe the 12
hybrid nature of the school's instructional program. 13

(2) The governing authority of any community school 14
established prior to the effective date of this section, upon the 15
approval of the school's sponsor, may restructure the school as a 16
hybrid community school in accordance with this section to provide 17
students with a combination of internet- or computer-based 18
instruction and classroom-based instruction. Prior to the first 19

day of July of the school year in which the school will be 20
restructured, the governing authority and the school's sponsor 21
shall amend the contract adopted under section 3314.03 of the 22
Revised Code to describe the hybrid nature of the school's 23
instructional program and to make any other changes necessary to 24
conform the contract to the requirements of this section. 25

(3) A hybrid community school is not subject to the 26
prohibition prescribed by division (A)(6) of section 3314.013 of 27
the Revised Code. 28

(B) The governing authority of each hybrid community school 29
shall require each student enrolled in the school to do both of 30
the following: 31

(1) For at least one day each school week, attend a 32
centralized site maintained by the governing authority to receive 33
traditional classroom-based instruction that does not rely 34
primarily on the use of computers or other electronic, digital, or 35
wireless technology, except that no student shall be required to 36
attend such a site for two and one-half days or more each school 37
week; 38

(2) For the remainder of each school week, work primarily 39
from the student's residence on assignments in nonclassroom-based 40
learning opportunities provided via an internet- or other 41
computer-based instructional method. 42

(C) The centralized site maintained by the school's governing 43
authority for the provision of classroom-based instruction shall 44
be located in a challenged school district. That school district 45
shall be considered the school district in which the school is 46
located for all purposes of this chapter, including adopting an 47
admission policy under division (A)(19) of section 3314.03 of the 48
Revised Code. 49

(D) Notwithstanding anything in this chapter or Chapter 3306. 50

or 3317. of the Revised Code to the contrary, all of the following 51
apply with respect to each student enrolled in a hybrid community 52
school: 53

(1) For purposes of the report required under division (B)(2) 54
of section 3314.08 of the Revised Code, the community school shall 55
report the number of days each school week that the student is 56
required to attend the centralized site described in division (C) 57
of this section. If the student is required to attend that site 58
for less than a full day on any day of the school week, the number 59
reported under this division shall be the sum of the number of 60
full days each school week the student is required to attend plus 61
the percentage of the day the student is required to attend on 62
each of the other days of the school week. 63

(2) The department of education shall deduct from the school 64
district reported for the student under division (B)(2)(h) of 65
section 3314.08 of the Revised Code the sum of the following: 66

(a) The amounts prescribed under division (C) of section 67
3314.08 of the Revised Code that would be applicable if the 68
student were enrolled in an internet- or computer-based community 69
school; 70

(b) The amount obtained by multiplying the fractional number 71
of days reported under division (D)(1) of this section times 72
twenty per cent of the difference between (i) the sum of the 73
amounts prescribed under division (C) of section 3314.08 of the 74
Revised Code that would be applicable if the student were enrolled 75
in a community school other than an internet- or computer-based 76
community school and (ii) the sum of the amounts specified in 77
division (D)(2)(a) of this section; 78

(c) The amount obtained by multiplying the fractional number 79
of days reported under division (D)(1) of this section times 80
twenty per cent of the amount prescribed by section 3314.13 of the 81

Revised Code, if the student meets the criteria described in 82
division (B) of that section, and if division (D) of that section 83
requires a deduction from the school district. 84

(3) The department shall pay to the community school the sum 85
of the following: 86

(a) The amount calculated under division (D)(2) of this 87
section; 88

(b) The amount obtained by multiplying the fractional number 89
of days reported under division (D)(1) of this section times 90
twenty per cent of the amount prescribed by section 3314.13 of the 91
Revised Code, if the student meets the criteria described in 92
division (B) of that section but a deduction was not made under 93
division (D)(2)(c) of this section; 94

(c) Any amount prescribed by division (E) of section 3314.08 95
of the Revised Code. 96

(E) In accordance with section 3314.09 of the Revised Code, 97
each student enrolled in a hybrid community school shall be 98
entitled to transportation to the centralized site described in 99
division (C) of this section on each week day the student is 100
required to attend school at that site. 101

(F) A hybrid community school is not an internet- or 102
computer-based community school for purposes of this chapter. 103
Nevertheless, except as otherwise provided in this section, a 104
hybrid community school shall comply with all requirements of this 105
chapter, including any provisions that apply solely to an 106
internet- or computer-based community school. 107