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To amend sections 3301.0712, 3302.035, 3313.612, 1  
3314.38, 3317.034, 3317.23, 3317.24, 3319.227, 2  
3321.13, and 3345.86 of the Revised Code to revise 3  
the laws regarding state primary and secondary 4  
education assessments; reporting on student 5  
truancy, adult students, and students with 6  
disabilities; and educator licenses issued to 7  
Teach for America participants. 8

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

**Section 1.** That sections 3301.0712, 3302.035, 3313.612, 9  
3314.38, 3317.034, 3317.23, 3317.24, 3319.227, 3321.13, and 10  
3345.86 of the Revised Code be amended to read as follows: 11

**Sec. 3301.0712.** (A) The state board of education, the 12  
superintendent of public instruction, and the chancellor of the 13  
Ohio board of regents shall develop a system of college and work 14  
ready assessments as described in division (B) of this section to 15  
assess whether each student upon graduating from high school is 16  
ready to enter college or the workforce. Beginning with students 17  
who enter the ninth grade for the first time on or after July 1, 18  
2014, the system shall replace the Ohio graduation tests 19

prescribed in division (B)(1) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code as a measure of student academic performance and one determinant of eligibility for a high school diploma in the manner prescribed by rule of the state board adopted under division (D) of this section.

(B) The college and work ready assessment system shall consist of the following:

(1) A nationally standardized assessment that measures college and career readiness, and is used for college admission, ~~and includes components in English, mathematics, science, and social studies.~~ The assessment shall be selected jointly by the state superintendent and the chancellor. The assessment prescribed under division (B)(1) of this section shall be administered to all eleventh-grade students.

(2) Seven end-of-course examinations, one in each of the areas of English language arts I, English language arts II, physical science or biology, Algebra I, geometry, American history, and American government. The end-of-course examinations shall be selected jointly by the state superintendent and the chancellor in consultation with faculty in the appropriate subject areas at institutions of higher education of the university system of Ohio. Advanced placement examinations, international baccalaureate examinations, and dual enrollment or advanced standing program examinations, as prescribed under section 3313.6013 of the Revised Code, in the areas of physical science or biology, American history, and American government may be used as end-of-course examinations in accordance with division (B)(4)(a) of this section.

(3)(a) Not later than July 1, 2013, each school district board of education shall adopt interim end-of-course examinations that comply with the requirements of divisions (B)(3)(b)(i) and

(ii) of this section to assess mastery of American history and 51  
American government standards adopted under division (A)(1)(b) of 52  
section 3301.079 of the Revised Code and the topics required under 53  
division (M) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code. Each high 54  
school of the district shall use the interim examinations until 55  
the state superintendent and chancellor select end-of-course 56  
examinations in American history and American government under 57  
division (B)(2) of this section. 58

(b) Not later than July 1, 2014, the state superintendent and 59  
the chancellor shall select the end-of-course examinations in 60  
American history and American government. 61

(i) The end-of-course examinations in American history and 62  
American government shall require demonstration of mastery of the 63  
American history and American government content for social 64  
studies standards adopted under division (A)(1)(b) of section 65  
3301.079 of the Revised Code and the topics required under 66  
division (M) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code. 67

(ii) At least twenty per cent of the end-of-course 68  
examination in American government shall address the topics on 69  
American history and American government described in division (M) 70  
of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code. 71

(4)(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this 72  
section, beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, if a student is 73  
enrolled in an advanced placement or international baccalaureate 74  
course or is enrolled under any other dual enrollment or advanced 75  
standing program that student shall take the advanced placement or 76  
international baccalaureate examination or applicable examination 77  
under dual enrollment or advanced standing in lieu of the physical 78  
science or biology, American history, or American government 79  
end-of-course examinations prescribed under division (B)(2) of 80  
this section. The state board shall specify the score levels for 81  
each advanced placement examination, international baccalaureate 82

examination, and examination required under other dual enrollment 83  
or advanced standing programs for purposes of calculating the 84  
minimum cumulative performance score that demonstrates the level 85  
of academic achievement necessary to earn a high school diploma. 86

(b) No student shall take a substitute examination or 87  
examination prescribed under division (B)(4)(a) of this section in 88  
place of the end-of-course examinations in English language arts 89  
I, English language arts II, Algebra I, or geometry prescribed 90  
under division (B)(2) of this section. 91

(c) The state board shall consider additional assessments 92  
that may be used, beginning with the 2016-2017 school year, as 93  
substitute examinations in lieu of the end-of-course examinations 94  
prescribed under division (B)(2) of this section. 95

(5)(a) The state board shall determine and designate at least 96  
five ranges of scores on each of the end-of-course examinations 97  
prescribed under division (B)(2) of this section, and substitute 98  
examinations prescribed under division (B)(4) of this section. 99  
Each range of scores shall be considered to demonstrate a level of 100  
achievement so that any student attaining a score within such 101  
range has achieved one of the following: 102

- (i) An advanced level of skill; 103
- (ii) An accelerated level of skill; 104
- (iii) A proficient level of skill; 105
- (iv) A basic level of skill; 106
- (v) A limited level of skill. 107

(b) Determine a method by which to calculate a cumulative 108  
performance score based on the results of a student's 109  
end-of-course examinations or substitute examinations; 110

(c) Determine the minimum cumulative performance score that 111  
demonstrates the level of academic achievement necessary to earn a 112

high school diploma; 113

(d) Develop a table of corresponding score equivalents for 114  
the end-of-course examinations and substitute examinations in 115  
order to calculate student performance consistently across the 116  
different examinations. 117

(6) Any student who received high school credit prior to July 118  
1, 2014, for a course for which an end-of-course examination is 119  
prescribed by division (B)(2) of this section shall not be 120  
required to take that end-of-course examination. Receipt of credit 121  
for that course shall satisfy the requirement to take the 122  
end-of-course examination. 123

(7)(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this 124  
section, the state board may replace the algebra I end-of-course 125  
examination prescribed under division (B)(2) of this section with 126  
an algebra II end-of-course examination, beginning with the 127  
2016-2017 school year for students who enter ninth grade on or 128  
after July 1, 2016. 129

(b) If the state board replaces the algebra I end-of-course 130  
examination with an algebra II end-of-course examination as 131  
authorized under division (B)(7)(a) of this section, a student who 132  
is enrolled in an advanced placement or international 133  
baccalaureate course in algebra II or is enrolled under any other 134  
dual enrollment or advanced standing program in algebra II shall 135  
take the advanced placement or international baccalaureate 136  
examination or applicable examination under dual enrollment or 137  
advanced standing in lieu of the algebra II end-of-course 138  
examination. 139

(8)(a) Until July 1, 2016, the department of education shall 140  
make available end-of-course examinations in both physical science 141  
and biology. 142

(b) For any school year that begins on or after July 1, 2016, 143

the state board may choose to provide one or both of the 144  
end-of-course examinations in physical science and biology. 145

(C) The state board shall convene a group of national 146  
experts, state experts, and local practitioners to provide advice, 147  
guidance, and recommendations for the alignment of standards and 148  
model curricula to the assessments and in the design of the 149  
end-of-course examinations prescribed by this section. 150

(D) Upon completion of the development of the assessment 151  
system, the state board shall adopt rules prescribing all of the 152  
following: 153

(1) A timeline and plan for implementation of the assessment 154  
system, including a phased implementation if the state board 155  
determines such a phase-in is warranted; 156

(2) The date after which a person shall meet the requirements 157  
of the entire assessment system as a prerequisite for a diploma of 158  
adult education under section 3313.611 of the Revised Code; 159

(3) Whether and the extent to which a person may be excused 160  
from an American history end-of-course examination and an American 161  
government end-of-course examination under division (H) of section 162  
3313.61 and division (B)(3) of section 3313.612 of the Revised 163  
Code; 164

(4) The date after which a person who has fulfilled the 165  
curriculum requirement for a diploma but has not passed one or 166  
more of the required assessments at the time the person fulfilled 167  
the curriculum requirement shall meet the requirements of the 168  
entire assessment system as a prerequisite for a high school 169  
diploma under division (B) of section 3313.614 of the Revised 170  
Code; 171

(5) The extent to which the assessment system applies to 172  
students enrolled in a dropout recovery and prevention program for 173  
purposes of division (F) of section 3313.603 and section 3314.36 174

of the Revised Code. 175

(E) Not later than forty-five days prior to the state board's 176  
adoption of a resolution directing the department of education to 177  
file the rules prescribed by division (D) of this section in final 178  
form under section 119.04 of the Revised Code, the superintendent 179  
of public instruction shall present the assessment system 180  
developed under this section to the respective committees of the 181  
house of representatives and senate that consider education 182  
legislation. 183

(F)(1) Any person enrolled in a nonchartered nonpublic school 184  
or any person who has been excused from attendance at school for 185  
the purpose of home instruction under section 3321.04 of the 186  
Revised Code may choose to participate in the system of 187  
assessments administered under divisions (B)(1) and (2) of this 188  
section. However, no such person shall be required to participate 189  
in the system of assessments. 190

(2) The department shall adopt rules for the administration 191  
and scoring of any assessments under division (F)(1) of this 192  
section. 193

(G) Not later than December 31, 2014, the state board shall 194  
select at least one nationally recognized job skills assessment. 195  
Each school district shall administer that assessment to those 196  
students who opt to take it. The state shall reimburse a school 197  
district for the costs of administering that assessment. The state 198  
board shall establish the minimum score a student must attain on 199  
the job skills assessment in order to demonstrate a student's 200  
workforce readiness and employability. The administration of the 201  
job skills assessment to a student under this division shall not 202  
exempt a school district from administering the assessments 203  
prescribed in division (B) of this section to that student. 204

**Sec. 3302.035.** (A) Not later than October 1, 2015, and not 205

later than the first day of October each year thereafter, the 206  
department of education shall report for each school district, 207  
each community school established under Chapter 3314., each STEM 208  
school established under Chapter 3326., and each 209  
college-preparatory boarding school established under Chapter 210  
3328. of the Revised Code, the following measures for students 211  
with disabilities enrolled in that school district or community, 212  
STEM, or college-preparatory boarding school: 213

(1) The value-added progress dimension score, as 214  
disaggregated for that subgroup under division (C)(1)(f) of 215  
section 3302.03 of the Revised Code; 216

(2) The performance index score for that subgroup, as defined 217  
under division (A) of section 3302.01 of the Revised Code; 218

(3) ~~The four- and five-year, five-, six-, seven-, and 219  
eight-year adjusted cohort graduation rates, as defined under 220  
divisions (C)(1) and (2) of section 3302.01 of the Revised Code, 221  
for that subgroup;~~ 222

(4) Annual measurable objectives for that subgroup; 223

(5) Data regarding disciplinary actions taken by the district 224  
or school against students with disabilities compared with such 225  
actions taken against students without disabilities. 226

(B) The department shall also calculate and report all of the 227  
following: 228

(1) The state average for each of the measures specified in 229  
division (A) of this section; 230

(2) The state average for the value-added progress dimension 231  
score for students with disabilities, disaggregated by grade level 232  
and subject area; 233

(3) The state average for the performance index score for 234  
students with disabilities, disaggregated for each category of 235



disability described in divisions (A) to (F) of section 3317.013 236  
of the Revised Code. 237

(C) The department shall make each report completed pursuant 238  
to ~~division~~ divisions (A) and (B) of this section available on its 239  
web site for comparison purposes. 240

(D) As used in this section: 241

(1) "Four-year adjusted cohort graduation rate" and 242  
"five-year adjusted cohort graduation rate" have the same meanings 243  
as in divisions (G)(1) and (2) of section 3302.01 of the Revised 244  
Code. 245

(2) "Six-year adjusted cohort graduation rate" means the 246  
number of students who graduate in six years with a regular high 247  
school diploma divided by the number of students who form the 248  
adjusted cohort for the four-year graduation rate. 249

(3) "Seven-year adjusted cohort graduation rate" means the 250  
number of students who graduate in seven years with a regular high 251  
school diploma divided by the number of students who form the 252  
adjusted cohort for the four-year graduation rate. 253

(4) "Eight-year adjusted cohort graduation rate" means the 254  
number of students who graduate in eight years with a regular high 255  
school diploma divided by the number of students who form the 256  
adjusted cohort for the four-year graduation rate. 257

**Sec. 3313.612.** (A) No nonpublic school chartered by the state 258  
board of education shall grant a high school diploma to any person 259  
unless, subject to section 3313.614 of the Revised Code, the 260  
person has met the assessment requirements of division (A)(1) or 261  
(2) of this section, as applicable. 262

(1) If the person entered the ninth grade prior to July 1, 263  
2014, the person has attained at least the applicable scores 264  
designated under division (B)(1) of section 3301.0710 of the 265

Revised Code on all the assessments required by that division, or 266  
has satisfied the alternative conditions prescribed in section 267  
3313.615 of the Revised Code. 268

(2) If the person entered the ninth grade on or after July 1, 269  
2014, the person has met the requirement prescribed by section 270  
3313.618 of the Revised Code. 271

(B) This section does not apply to any of the following: 272

(1) Any person with regard to any assessment from which the 273  
person was excused pursuant to division (C)(1)(c) of section 274  
3301.0711 of the Revised Code; 275

(2) Any person that attends a nonpublic school acting in 276  
accordance with division (D) of this section with regard to any 277  
end-of-course examination ~~required under~~ prescribed by divisions 278  
(B)(2) and (3) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code; 279

(3) Any person with regard to the social studies assessment 280  
under division (B)(1) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code, 281  
any American history end-of-course examination and any American 282  
government end-of-course examination required under division (B) 283  
of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code if such an exemption is 284  
prescribed by rule of the state board of education under division 285  
(D)(3) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code, or the 286  
citizenship test under former division (B) of section 3301.0710 of 287  
the Revised Code as it existed prior to September 11, 2001, if all 288  
of the following apply: 289

(a) The person is not a citizen of the United States; 290

(b) The person is not a permanent resident of the United 291  
States; 292

(c) The person indicates no intention to reside in the United 293  
States after completion of high school. 294

(C) As used in this division, "limited English proficient 295

student" has the same meaning as in division (C)(3) of section 296  
3301.0711 of the Revised Code. 297

Notwithstanding division (C)(3) of section 3301.0711 of the 298  
Revised Code, no limited English proficient student who has not 299  
either attained the applicable scores designated under division 300  
(B)(1) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code on all the 301  
assessments required by that division, or met the requirement 302  
prescribed by section 3313.618 of the Revised Code, shall be 303  
awarded a diploma under this section. 304

(D) A nonpublic school chartered by the state board may forgo 305  
the end-of-course examinations required by divisions (B)(2) and 306  
(3) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code, if that school 307  
publishes the results of the standardized assessment prescribed 308  
under division (B)(1) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code for 309  
each graduating class. The published results shall include the 310  
overall composite scores, mean scores, twenty-fifth percentile 311  
scores, and seventy-fifth percentile scores for each subject area 312  
of the assessment. 313

(E) The state board shall not impose additional requirements 314  
or assessments for the granting of a high school diploma under 315  
this section that are not prescribed by this section. 316

(F) The department of education shall furnish the assessment 317  
administered by a nonpublic school pursuant to division (B)(1) of 318  
section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code. 319

~~(G) The exemption provided for in divisions (B)(2) and (D) of 320  
this section shall be effective on and after October 1, 2015, but 321  
only if the general assembly does not enact different requirements 322  
regarding end-of-course examinations for chartered nonpublic 323  
schools that are effective by that date. 324~~

**Sec. 3314.38.** (A) An individual who is at least twenty-two 325

years of age and who is an eligible individual as defined in 326  
section 3317.23 of the Revised Code may enroll for up to two 327  
cumulative school years in a dropout prevention and recovery 328  
program operated by a community school that is designed to allow 329  
enrollees to earn a high school diploma. An individual enrolled 330  
under this division may elect to satisfy the requirements to earn 331  
a high school diploma by successfully completing a 332  
competency-based instructional program that complies with the 333  
standards adopted by the state board of education under section 334  
3317.231 of the Revised Code. The community school shall report 335  
that individual's enrollment on a full-time equivalency basis to 336  
the department of education. This report shall be in addition to 337  
the report required under division (B) of section 3314.08 of the 338  
Revised Code. An individual enrolled under this division shall not 339  
be assigned to classes or settings with students who are younger 340  
than eighteen years of age. 341

(B)(1) For each community school that enrolls individuals 342  
under division (A) of this section, the department of education 343  
annually shall certify the enrollment and attendance, on a 344  
full-time equivalency basis, of each individual reported by the 345  
school under that division. 346

(2) For each individual enrolled in a community school under 347  
division (A) of this section, the department annually shall pay to 348  
the community school an amount equal to the following: 349

\$5,000 X the individual's enrollment on a full-time equivalency 350  
basis as certified under division (B)(1) of this section X the 351  
portion of the school year in which the individual is enrolled in 352  
the school expressed as a percentage 353

(C) A community school that enrolls individuals under 354  
division (A) of this section shall be subject to the program 355  
administration standards adopted by the state board under section 356  
3317.231 of the Revised Code, as applicable. 357

(D) For each individual enrolled in a community school under 358  
division (A) of this section, the school shall annually report to 359  
the department all of the following information in accordance with 360  
the standards adopted by the state board under section 3317.231 of 361  
the Revised Code: 362

(1) Demographic information, including age at enrollment, 363  
gender, and race or ethnicity; 364

(2) The number of courses needed to graduate at the time of 365  
enrollment; 366

(3) The number of courses in which the individual 367  
participated during the previous school year and the subject of 368  
each of those courses; 369

(4) The number of courses the individual completed during the 370  
previous school year and the subject of each of those courses; 371

(5) The subject area graduation tests prescribed by statutory 372  
law that the individual, at the time of enrollment, was required 373  
to pass in order to be eligible to graduate; 374

(6) The number of subject area graduation tests prescribed by 375  
statutory law that the individual passed during the previous 376  
school year and the subject area of each of those tests; 377

(7) The date that the school awarded a diploma to the 378  
individual, if applicable. 379

**Sec. 3317.034.** For purposes of section 3317.03 of the Revised 380  
Code: 381

(A) A student shall be considered to be enrolled in the 382  
district for any portion of the school year the student is 383  
participating at a college under Chapter 3365. of the Revised 384  
Code. 385

(B) A student shall be considered to be enrolled in the 386  
district for the period of time beginning on the date on which the 387  
school has both received the documentation of the student's 388  
enrollment from a parent and the student has commenced 389  
participation in learning opportunities offered by the district. 390  
For purposes of applying divisions (B) and (C) of this section, 391  
"learning opportunities" means both classroom-based and 392  
nonclassroom-based learning opportunities overseen by licensed 393  
educational employees of the district that is in compliance with 394  
criteria and documentation requirements for student participation, 395  
which shall be established by the department. Any student's 396  
instruction time in nonclassroom-based learning opportunities 397  
shall be certified by an employee of the district. 398

(C) A student's enrollment shall be considered to cease on 399  
the date on which any of the following occur: 400

(1) The district receives documentation from a parent 401  
terminating enrollment of the student. 402

(2) The district is provided documentation of a student's 403  
enrollment in another public or nonpublic school. 404

~~(3) The student fails to participate in learning 405  
opportunities and has not received an excused absence for one 406  
hundred and five continuous hours. If a student is withdrawn from 407  
the district for failure to participate in learning opportunities 408  
under division (C)(1)(a)(v) of this section and the district board 409  
determines that the student is truant, the district shall take the 410  
appropriate action required under sections 3321.19 and 3321.191 of 411  
the Revised Code. 412~~

~~(4) The student ceases to participate in learning 413  
opportunities provided by the school. 414~~

(D) No public school may enroll or withdraw a student from 415  
the education management information system established under 416

section 3310.0714 of the Revised Code later than thirty days after 417  
the student's actual enrollment or withdrawal from the school. 418

(E) A student in any of grades nine through twelve shall be 419  
considered a full-time equivalent student if the student is 420  
enrolled in at least five units of instruction, as defined in 421  
section 3313.603 of the Revised Code, per school year. 422

**Sec. 3317.23.** (A) For purposes of this section, an "eligible 423  
individual" is an individual who satisfies both of the following 424  
criteria: 425

(1) The individual is at least twenty-two years of age. 426

(2) The individual has not been awarded a high school diploma 427  
or a certificate of high school equivalence as defined in section 428  
4109.06 of the Revised Code. 429

(B) An eligible individual may enroll in a city, local, or 430  
exempted village school district that operates a dropout 431  
prevention and recovery program for up to two cumulative school 432  
years for the purpose of earning a high school diploma. An 433  
individual enrolled under this division may elect to satisfy the 434  
requirements to earn a high school diploma by successfully 435  
completing a competency-based instructional program that complies 436  
with the standards adopted by the state board of education under 437  
section 3317.231 of the Revised Code. The district shall report 438  
that individual's enrollment on a full-time equivalency basis 439  
under division (A) of section 3317.036 of the Revised Code and 440  
shall not report that individual's enrollment under section 441  
3317.03 of the Revised Code. An individual enrolled under this 442  
division shall not be assigned to classes or settings with 443  
students who are younger than eighteen years of age. 444

(C)(1) For each district that enrolls individuals under 445  
division (B) of this section, the department of education annually 446

shall certify the enrollment and attendance, on a full-time 447  
equivalency basis, of each individual reported by the district 448  
under division (A) of section 3317.036 of the Revised Code. 449

(2) For each individual enrolled in a district under division 450  
(B) of this section, the department annually shall pay to the 451  
district an amount equal to the following: 452

\$5,000 X the individual's enrollment on a full-time equivalency 453  
basis as certified under division (C)(1) of this section X the 454  
portion of the school year in which the individual is enrolled in 455  
the district expressed as a percentage 456

(D) A district that enrolls individuals under division (B) of 457  
this section shall be subject to the program administration 458  
standards adopted by the state board under section 3317.231 of the 459  
Revised Code, as applicable. 460

(E) For each individual enrolled in a district under division 461  
(B) of this section, the district shall annually report to the 462  
department all of the following information in accordance with the 463  
standards adopted by the state board under section 3317.231 of the 464  
Revised Code: 465

(1) Demographic information, including age at enrollment, 466  
gender, and race or ethnicity; 467

(2) The number of courses needed to graduate at the time of 468  
enrollment; 469

(3) The number of courses in which the individual 470  
participated during the previous school year and the subject of 471  
each of those courses; 472

(4) The number of courses the individual completed during the 473  
previous school year and the subject of each of those courses; 474

(5) The subject area graduation tests prescribed by statutory 475  
law that the individual, at the time of enrollment, was required 476



to pass in order to be eligible to graduate; 477

(6) The number of subject area graduation tests prescribed by 478  
statutory law that the individual passed during the previous 479  
school year and the subject area of each of those tests; 480

(7) The date that the district awarded a diploma to the 481  
individual, if applicable. 482

**Sec. 3317.24.** (A) For purposes of this section, an "eligible 483  
individual" has the same meaning as in section 3317.23 of the 484  
Revised Code. 485

(B) An eligible individual may enroll in a joint vocational 486  
school district that operates an adult education program for up to 487  
two cumulative school years for the purpose of completing the 488  
requirements to earn a high school diploma. An individual enrolled 489  
under this division may elect to satisfy these requirements by 490  
successfully completing a competency-based instructional program 491  
that complies with the standards adopted by the state board of 492  
education under section 3317.231 of the Revised Code. The district 493  
shall report an individual's enrollment under this division on a 494  
full-time equivalency basis under division (B) of section 3317.036 495  
of the Revised Code and shall not report that individual's 496  
enrollment under section 3317.03 of the Revised Code. An 497  
individual enrolled under this division shall not be assigned to 498  
classes or settings with students who are younger than eighteen 499  
years of age. 500

(C)(1) For each joint vocational school district that enrolls 501  
individuals under division (B) of this section, the department of 502  
education annually shall certify the enrollment and attendance, on 503  
a full-time equivalency basis, of each individual reported by the 504  
district under division (B) of section 3317.036 of the Revised 505  
Code. 506

(2) For each individual enrolled in a joint vocational school district under division (B) of this section, the department annually shall pay to the district an amount equal to the following:

\$5,000 X the individual's enrollment on a full-time equivalency basis as certified under division (C)(1) of this section X the portion of the school year in which the individual is enrolled in the district expressed as a percentage

(D) If an individual enrolled in a joint vocational school district under division (B) of this section completes the requirements to earn a high school diploma, the joint vocational school district shall certify the completion of those requirements to the city, local, or exempted village school district in which the individual resides. Upon receiving certification under this division, the city, local, or exempted village school district in which the individual resides shall issue a high school diploma to the individual.

(E) A joint vocational school district that enrolls individuals under division (B) of this section shall be subject to the program administration standards adopted by the state board under section 3317.231 of the Revised Code, as applicable.

(F) For each individual enrolled in a joint vocational school district under division (B) of this section, the district shall annually report to the department all of the following information in accordance with the standards adopted by the state board under section 3317.231 of the Revised Code:

(1) Demographic information, including age at enrollment, gender, and race or ethnicity;

(2) The number of courses needed to graduate at the time of enrollment;

(3) The number of courses in which the individual

participated during the previous school year and the subject of 538  
each of those courses; 539

(4) The number of courses the individual completed during the 540  
previous school year and the subject of each of those courses; 541

(5) The subject area graduation tests prescribed by statutory 542  
law that the individual, at the time of enrollment, was required 543  
to pass in order to be eligible to graduate; 544

(6) The number of subject area graduation tests prescribed by 545  
statutory law that the individual passed during the previous 546  
school year and the subject area of each of those tests; 547

(7) The date that the district certified the individual's 548  
completion of the requirements to earn a high school diploma to 549  
the city, local, or exempted village school district in which the 550  
individual resides under division (D) of this section, if 551  
applicable. 552

**Sec. 3319.227.** (A) Notwithstanding any other provision of the 553  
Revised Code or any rule adopted by the state board of education 554  
to the contrary, the state board shall issue a resident educator 555  
license under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code to each person 556  
who is assigned to teach in this state as a participant in the 557  
teach for America program and who meets the following conditions: 558  
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(1) Holds a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution 560  
of higher education; 561

(2) Maintained a cumulative undergraduate grade point average 562  
of at least 2.5 out of 4.0, or its equivalent; 563

(3) Has passed an examination prescribed by the state board 564  
in the subject area to be taught; 565

(4) Has successfully completed the summer training institute 566  
operated by teach for America. 567

(B) The state board shall issue a resident educator license 568  
under this section for teaching in any grade level or subject area 569  
for which a person may obtain a resident educator license under 570  
section 3319.22 of the Revised Code. The state board shall not 571  
adopt rules establishing any additional qualifications for the 572  
license beyond those specified in this section. 573

(C) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Revised Code 574  
or any rule adopted by the state board to the contrary, the state 575  
board shall issue a resident educator license under section 576  
3319.22 of the Revised Code to any applicant who has completed at 577  
least two years of teaching in another state as a participant in 578  
the teach for America program and meets all of the conditions of 579  
divisions (A)(1) to (4) of this section. The state board shall 580  
credit an applicant under this division as having completed two 581  
years of the teacher residency program under section 3319.223 of 582  
the Revised Code. 583

(D) In order to place teachers in this state, the teach for 584  
America program shall enter into an agreement with one or more 585  
accredited four-year public or private institutions of higher 586  
education in the state to provide optional training of teach for 587  
America participants for the purpose of enabling those 588  
participants to complete an optional master's degree or an 589  
equivalent amount of coursework. Nothing in this division shall 590  
require any teach for America participant to complete a master's 591  
degree as a condition of holding a license issued under this 592  
section. 593

(E)(1) Each participant in the teach for America program 594  
shall successfully complete that program as a condition of 595  
continuing to hold a license issued pursuant to divisions (A) and 596  
(B) of this section. 597

(2) If a participant in the teach for America program 598  
assigned to teach in a school district in this state resigns or is 599

otherwise removed from the program prior to the program's 600  
completion, the board of education of that school district shall 601  
provide written notice of the participant's resignation to the 602  
state board. 603

**Sec. 3321.13.** (A) Whenever any child of compulsory school age 604  
withdraws from school the teacher of that child shall ascertain 605  
the reason for withdrawal. The fact of the withdrawal and the 606  
reason for it shall be immediately transmitted by the teacher to 607  
the superintendent of the city, local, or exempted village school 608  
district. If the child who has withdrawn from school has done so 609  
because of change of residence, the next residence shall be 610  
ascertained and shall be included in the notice thus transmitted. 611  
The superintendent shall thereupon forward a card showing the 612  
essential facts regarding the child and stating the place of the 613  
child's new residence to the superintendent of schools of the 614  
district to which the child has moved. 615

The superintendent of public instruction may prescribe the 616  
forms to be used in the operation of this division. 617

(B)(1) Upon receipt of information that a child of compulsory 618  
school age has withdrawn from school for a reason other than 619  
because of change of residence and is not enrolled in and 620  
attending in accordance with school policy an approved program to 621  
obtain a diploma or its equivalent, the superintendent shall 622  
notify the registrar of motor vehicles and the juvenile judge of 623  
the county in which the district is located of the withdrawal and 624  
failure to enroll in and attend an approved program to obtain a 625  
diploma or its equivalent. ~~A notification to the registrar~~ 626  
~~required by this division shall be given in the manner the~~ 627  
~~registrar by rule requires and a notification to the juvenile~~ 628  
judge required by this division shall be given in writing. Each 629  
notification shall be given within two weeks after the withdrawal 630

and failure to enroll in and attend an approved program or its 631  
equivalent. 632

(2) The board of education of a school district may adopt a 633  
resolution providing that the provisions of division (B)(2) of 634  
this section apply within the district. The provisions of division 635  
(B)(2) of this section do not apply within any school district, 636  
and no superintendent of a school district shall send a 637  
notification of the type described in division (B)(2) of this 638  
section to the registrar of motor vehicles or the juvenile judge 639  
of the county in which the district is located, unless the board 640  
of education of the district has adopted such a resolution. If the 641  
board of education of a school district adopts a resolution 642  
providing that the provisions of division (B)(2) of this section 643  
apply within the district, and if the superintendent of schools of 644  
that district receives information that, during any semester or 645  
term, a child of compulsory school age has been absent without 646  
legitimate excuse from the school the child is supposed to attend 647  
for more than ten consecutive school days or for at least fifteen 648  
total school days, the superintendent shall notify the child and 649  
the child's parent, guardian, or custodian, in writing, that the 650  
information has been provided to the superintendent, that as a 651  
result of that information the child's temporary instruction 652  
permit or driver's license will be suspended or the opportunity to 653  
obtain such a permit or license will be denied, and that the child 654  
and the child's parent, guardian, or custodian may appear in 655  
person at a scheduled date, time, and place before the 656  
superintendent or a designee to challenge the information provided 657  
to the superintendent. 658

The notification to the child and the child's parent, 659  
guardian, or custodian required by division (B)(2) of this section 660  
shall set forth the information received by the superintendent and 661  
shall inform the child and the child's parent, guardian, or 662

custodian of the scheduled date, time, and place of the appearance 663  
that they may have before the superintendent or a designee. The 664  
date scheduled for the appearance shall be no earlier than three 665  
and no later than five days after the notification is given, 666  
provided that an extension may be granted upon request of the 667  
child or the child's parent, guardian, or custodian. If an 668  
extension is granted, the superintendent shall schedule a new 669  
date, time, and place for the appearance and shall inform the 670  
child and the child's parent, guardian, or custodian of the new 671  
date, time, and place. 672

If the child and the child's parent, guardian, or custodian 673  
do not appear before the superintendent or a designee on the 674  
scheduled date and at the scheduled time and place, or if the 675  
child and the child's parent, guardian, or custodian appear before 676  
the superintendent or a designee on the scheduled date and at the 677  
scheduled time and place but the superintendent or a designee 678  
determines that the information the superintendent received 679  
indicating that, during the semester or term, the child had been 680  
absent without legitimate excuse from the school the child was 681  
supposed to attend for more than ten consecutive school days or 682  
for at least fifteen total school days, the superintendent shall 683  
notify the registrar of motor vehicles and the juvenile judge of 684  
the county in which the district is located that the child has 685  
been absent for that period of time and that the child does not 686  
have any legitimate excuse for the habitual absence. A 687  
~~notification to the registrar required by this division shall be~~ 688  
~~given in the manner the registrar by rule requires and a~~ 689  
notification to the juvenile judge required by this division shall 690  
be given in writing. Each notification shall be given within two 691  
weeks after the receipt of the information of the habitual absence 692  
from school without legitimate excuse, or, if the child and the 693  
child's parent, guardian, or custodian appear before the 694  
superintendent or a designee to challenge the information, within 695

two weeks after the appearance. 696

For purposes of division (B)(2) of this section, a legitimate 697  
excuse for absence from school includes, but is not limited to, 698  
the fact that the child in question has enrolled in another school 699  
or school district in this or another state, the fact that the 700  
child in question was excused from attendance for any of the 701  
reasons specified in section 3321.04 of the Revised Code, or the 702  
fact that the child in question has received an age and schooling 703  
certificate in accordance with section 3331.01 of the Revised 704  
Code. 705

(3) Whenever a pupil is suspended or expelled from school 706  
pursuant to section 3313.66 of the Revised Code and the reason for 707  
the suspension or expulsion is the use or possession of alcohol, a 708  
drug of abuse, or alcohol and a drug of abuse, the superintendent 709  
of schools of that district may notify the registrar and the 710  
juvenile judge of the county in which the district is located of 711  
such suspension or expulsion. Any such notification of suspension 712  
or expulsion shall be given to the registrar, ~~in the manner the~~ 713  
~~registrar by rule requires~~ and shall be given to the juvenile 714  
judge in writing. The notifications shall be given within two 715  
weeks after the suspension or expulsion. 716

(4) Whenever a pupil is suspended, expelled, removed, or 717  
permanently excluded from a school for misconduct included in a 718  
policy that the board of education of a city, exempted village, or 719  
local school district has adopted under division (A) of section 720  
3313.661 of the Revised Code, and the misconduct involves a 721  
firearm or a knife or other weapon as defined in that policy, the 722  
superintendent of schools of that district shall notify the 723  
registrar and the juvenile judge of the county in which the 724  
district is located of the suspension, expulsion, removal, or 725  
permanent exclusion. The notification shall be given to the 726  
registrar ~~in the manner the registrar, by rule, requires~~ and shall 727



be given to the juvenile judge in writing. The notifications shall 728  
be given within two weeks after the suspension, expulsion, 729  
removal, or permanent exclusion. 730

(5)(a) If a student has at least sixty cumulative hours of 731  
unexcused absences, the student's school district shall notify the 732  
student's parent, guardian, or custodian in writing that the 733  
student may be a chronic truant as defined under section 2152.02 734  
of the Revised Code. The notification shall specify that, if the 735  
student has at least one hundred five cumulative hours of 736  
unexcused absences, a complaint must be filed in the juvenile 737  
court of the county in which the child has a residence or legal 738  
settlement or in which the child is supposed to attend school 739  
jointly against the child and the parent, guardian, or custodian. 740

(b) If a student has at least one hundred five cumulative 741  
hours of unexcused absences, the school district board of 742  
education shall take the appropriate action required under 743  
sections 3321.19 and 3321.191 of the Revised Code not later than 744  
ten days after the student accumulates one hundred five hours of 745  
unexcused absences. 746

(c) If a student has at least two hundred sixty-five 747  
continuous hours of unexcused absences, the superintendent of the 748  
school district shall withdraw the student from the school. 749

(d) The department of education shall track and record the 750  
number of students who meet any of the conditions prescribed in 751  
division (B)(5)(a), (b), or (c) of this section. If a district 752  
fails to comply with the provisions of division (B)(5)(a), (b), or 753  
(c) of this section, the superintendent of public instruction 754  
shall consider a reduction in the district's state operating 755  
payments under Chapter 3317. of the Revised Code on a case-by-case 756  
basis. 757

(C) A notification of withdrawal, habitual absence without 758

legitimate excuse, suspension, or expulsion given to the registrar 759  
or a juvenile judge under division (B)(1), (2), (3), ~~or~~ (4), or 760  
(5) of this section shall contain the name, address, date of 761  
birth, grade level, number of unexcused absences, school, and 762  
school district of the child. The notification also shall include 763  
the name of the child's parent, guardian, or custodian. If the 764  
superintendent finds, after giving a notification of withdrawal, 765  
habitual absence without legitimate excuse, suspension, or 766  
expulsion to the registrar and the juvenile judge under division 767  
(B)(1), (2), (3), ~~or~~ (4), or (5) of this section, that the 768  
notification was given in error, the superintendent immediately 769  
shall notify the registrar and the juvenile judge of that fact. 770

**Sec. 3345.86.** (A) As used in this section, an "eligible 771  
institution" means a community college established under Chapter 772  
3354. of the Revised Code, a university branch established under 773  
Chapter 3355. of the Revised Code, a technical college established 774  
under Chapter 3357. of the Revised Code, or a state community 775  
college established under Chapter 3358. of the Revised Code. 776

(B) An individual who is at least twenty-two years of age and 777  
who is an eligible individual as defined in section 3317.23 of the 778  
Revised Code may enroll in an eligible institution for up to two 779  
cumulative school years for the purpose of completing the 780  
requirements to earn a high school diploma. An individual enrolled 781  
under this division may elect to satisfy these requirements by 782  
successfully completing a competency-based instructional program 783  
that complies with the standards adopted by the state board of 784  
education under section 3317.231 of the Revised Code. 785

The eligible institution in which the individual enrolls 786  
shall report that individual's enrollment on a full-time 787  
equivalency basis to the department of education. 788

(C)(1) For each eligible institution that enrolls individuals 789

under division (B) of this section, the department annually shall 790  
certify the enrollment and attendance, on a full-time equivalency 791  
basis, of each individual reported by the institution under that 792  
division. 793

(2) For each individual enrolled in an eligible institution 794  
under division (B) of this section, the department annually shall 795  
pay to the institution an amount equal to the following: 796

\$5,000 X the individual's enrollment on a full-time 797  
equivalency basis as certified under division (C)(1) of this 798  
section X the portion of the school year in which the individual 799  
is enrolled in the institution expressed as a percentage 800

(D) If an individual enrolled in an eligible institution 801  
under division (B) of this section completes the requirements to 802  
earn a high school diploma, the institution shall certify the 803  
completion of those requirements to the city, local, or exempted 804  
village school district in which the individual resides. Upon 805  
receiving certification under this division, the city, local, or 806  
exempted village school district in which the individual resides 807  
shall issue a high school diploma to the individual. 808

(E) An eligible institution that enrolls individuals under 809  
division (B) of this section shall be subject to the program 810  
administration standards adopted by the state board under section 811  
3317.231 of the Revised Code, as applicable. 812

(F) For each individual enrolled in an eligible institution 813  
under division (B) of this section, the institution shall annually 814  
report to the department all of the following information in 815  
accordance with the standards adopted by the state board under 816  
section 3317.231 of the Revised Code: 817

(1) Demographic information, including age at enrollment, 818  
gender, and race or ethnicity; 819

(2) The number of courses needed to graduate at the time of 820

<u>enrollment;</u>	821
<u>(3) The number of courses in which the individual</u>	822
<u>participated during the previous school year and the subject of</u>	823
<u>each of those courses;</u>	824
<u>(4) The number of courses the individual completed during the</u>	825
<u>previous school year and the subject of each of those courses;</u>	826
<u>(5) The subject area graduation tests prescribed by statutory</u>	827
<u>law that the individual, at the time of enrollment, was required</u>	828
<u>to pass in order to be eligible to graduate;</u>	829
<u>(6) The number of subject area graduation tests prescribed by</u>	830
<u>statutory law that the individual passed during the previous</u>	831
<u>school year and the subject area of each of those tests;</u>	832
<u>(7) The date that the institution certified the individual's</u>	833
<u>completion of the requirements to earn a high school diploma to</u>	834
<u>the city, local, or exempted village school district in which the</u>	835
<u>individual resides under division (D) of this section, if</u>	836
<u>applicable.</u>	837
<b>Section 2.</b> That existing sections 3301.0712, 3302.035,	838
3313.612, 3314.38, 3317.034, 3317.23, 3317.24, 3319.227, 3321.13,	839
and 3345.86 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.	840