

TUITION AND FEES

I. Purpose

The purpose of the policy is to explain the authority, responsibility, and publication of the tuition and fees for Western Dakota Technical College (WDTC).

II. General Statement of Policy

A. The policy of the College is that WDTC will make clear and complete information on all student costs readily available to students and the general public, including:

- Tuition, fees, training, and incidentals
- Financial aid policies, practices, and requirements
- Refund policy

The South Dakota Board of Technical Education has the authority and responsibility for setting tuition rates and state fees for WDTC. The local governing Board has the authority to set local fees for the College.

WDTC believes that keeping higher education affordable is a cornerstone of student access. Therefore, the College shall always take a position of promoting a balance between tuition rates, state and local fees, and the ability of the College to achieve its mission. The College may request changes in tuition rates and fees, including fees specific to certain programs or activities, to ensure the College is able to meet its obligations and mission.

III. Definitions – None

IV. Reporting Procedures – Changes to student costs, financial aid, and refunds will be updated at least annually and

- a. provided online to the U.S. Department of Defense no later than March 31st.
- b. included on the relevant sections of the WDTC website no later than June 30th.

V. Dissemination of Policy and Training

A. This policy shall appear on the WDTC website on the policy webpage.

Legal References:

S.D. Admin Rules 24:59:02:01- Tuition;

S.D. Codified Laws §13-28-37 – Postsecondary enrollment--Course credit--Failing grade eliminates eligibility;

S.D.C.L. §13-28-37.1 – State subsidized high school dual credit program--Tuition rate--Payment of tuition and costs;

S.D.C.L. §13-39A-12 - Tuition and fees;

S.D.C.L. §13-55-6 - Free education of children of residents who died during service in armed forces;

S.D.C.L. §33-6-6 – Partial tuition payment by state for postsecondary technical institute programs

S.D.C.L. §33-6-8.1 – Tuition benefits for nonresident national guard members

Executive Order 13607: U.S. Department of Defense Voluntary Education Partnership Memorandum of Understanding

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