



Ohio Administrative Code Rule 3301-45-03 Provider Application.

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(A) The department shall develop procedures for educational institutions to apply to become providers of educational services to participants.

(B) No educational institution or provider may apply that has a graduation rate lower than forty per cent unless a corrective action plan is submitted to the department.

(C) Provider applicants apply to the department by July first of the fiscal year in which they wish to be a provider. Provider applicants will be notified within thirty days of the department receiving their application of their applications status.

(D) For all initial applications, a provider is required to submit to the department detailed information, including, but not be limited to:

(1) How the provider applicant intends to assess and award prior credit through the evaluation of student transcripts, work experience, and other prior experience;

(2) How the provider applicant intends to assess the mastery of competencies and award credit during participation in the program;

(3) Support services available to participants, including academic and career counseling to address post-secondary and workforce training options;

(4) If the provider enrolls students in grades kindergarten to twelve, how the institution will ensure that participants will not be assigned to classes or settings with students younger than eighteen years of age;

(5) How the provider applicant will ensure the twenty-two plus program is accessible to all students, including, but not limited to, race, ethnicity, gender, individuals with disabilities, individuals from



economically disadvantaged families, single parents, including pregnant women, out-of-workforce individuals, English learners, and homeless individuals, pursuant to rule 3301-13-09 of the Administrative Code; and

(6) Assurances that the provider will comply with any reviews, audits, and on-site visits conducted by the department of education.

(E) Approved providers shall update their applications and provide written notice to the department if there are any changes made to their program. Subject to paragraph (D) of this rule, approved providers will continue to be approved as a provider each year for a maximum of five years upon providing to the department evidence of meeting the requirements set forth in paragraphs (E)(1) and (E)(2) of this rule. At the end of the fifth year, providers will need to apply in accordance with paragraph (D) of this rule.

(1) Approved providers must maintain a graduation rate at forty per cent or higher.

(2) Approved providers must ensure that at least eighty per cent of twenty-two plus participants complete a minimum of forty per cent of the participants outstanding graduation requirements during year one of the program.

(F) The department will monitor each provider's compliance with the requirements of this chapter. Failure to comply may result in the withdrawal of funding and the educational institution becoming ineligible to provide services under this program. Providers that do not meet one or more of the criteria in paragraph (E) of this rule, will be removed from the program for a period of one fiscal year and may reapply the following fiscal year.

(G) Community schools providing services to participants must provide assurances, in writing, that the governing authority for the community school and the sponsor of the community school are aware of and consent to participation in the program as a provider. Sponsors of community schools providing services to participants under this chapter shall include compliance and performance provisions in contracts executed under section 3314.03 of the Revised Code. In addition to oversight by the department, sponsors are responsible for monitoring compliance and performance of community schools providing services to participants under this chapter.