BP 5010  ADMISSIONS

References:
Education Code Sections 76000, 76001, 76002, and 78030-78034;
Labor Code Section 3077
U.S. Department of Education regulations on the Integrity of Federal Student
Financial Aid Programs under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as
amended; 34 C.F.R. § 668.16(p)

The District shall admit students who meet one of the following requirements and who
are capable of profiting from the instruction offered:

- Any person over the age of 18 and possessing a high school diploma or its
equivalent.
- Other persons who are over the age of 18 years and who, in the judgment of the
Chancellor or his or her designee are capable of profiting from the instruction
offered. Such persons shall be admitted as provisional students, and thereafter
shall be required to comply with the District's rules and regulations regarding
scholastic achievement and other standards to be met by provisional or
probationary students as a condition to being readmitted in any succeeding
semester.
- Persons who are apprentices as defined in Section 3077 of the Labor Code.

The District shall, in its discretion, or as otherwise federally mandated, evaluate the
validity of a student’s high school completion. The Chancellor shall see that procedures
are established for evaluating the validity of a student’s high school completion.

Admission

Any student whose age is 16 and above, or class level is equal to grades eleven and
twelve, is eligible to apply as a special part-time student for advanced scholastic or
vocational courses.

Any student whose age is 16 and above, or class level is equal to grades eleven and
twelve, is eligible to apply as a special full-time student.

The District may consider admission, in extraordinary cases, where a student under the
age of 16 demonstrates superior ability and capacity to succeed on college level work.

The Chancellor shall establish procedures regarding ability to benefit and admission of
high school and younger students.
Denial of Requests for Admission
If the Board of Trustees denies a request for special full time or part time enrollment by a pupil who is identified as highly gifted, the Board of Trustees will record its findings and the reason for denying the request in writing within 60 days.

The written recommendation and denial shall be issued at the next regularly scheduled Board of Trustees meeting that occurs at least 30 days after the pupil submits the request to the District.

The Chancellor shall establish procedures regarding evaluation of requests for special full time or part time enrollment by a pupil who is identified as highly gifted.

Claims for State Apportionment for Concurrent Enrollment
Claims for state apportionment submitted by the District based on enrollment of high school pupils shall satisfy the criteria established by statute and any applicable regulations of the Board of Governors.

The Chancellor shall establish procedures regarding compliance with statutory and regulatory criteria for concurrent enrollment.

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References:
Education Code Section 76000, 68000
34 CFR Part 668.16(p) (U.S. Department of Education Regulations on the
Integrity of Federal Student Financial Aid Programs under Title IV of the Higher
Education Act of 1965, as amended);
ACCJC Accreditation Standard II.C.6

Students who are high school graduates or the equivalent thereof, or 18 years of age or older,
may apply for admission online at www.rccd.edu or by submitting a paper application. Online
applications are processed within 24 hours (weekends and holidays excluded). Paper
applications may take up to a week to process. Students receive notification of their admission
and information on matriculation procedures required for registration.

Each student, at the time of admission or readmission, is classified according to his/her legal
residence. Students self-declare their residency by their answers to questions on the
application. If they are determined to be non-residents, they can appeal the decision by
submitting a Supplemental Residency Questionnaire to Admissions for change in residence
status. Non-residents who meet AB540 criteria can apply for a waiver of non-resident fees.

Non-resident students with a Visa who are applying are referred to the International Student
Center for further application procedures based on federal laws.

Students seeking financial aid, who do not have a high school diploma, GED, or have passed
the High School Proficiency Exam, must pass the Ability to Benefit test in order to determine
eligibility for aid.

The Chief Instructional Officer of the College shall be responsible for evaluating the validity of a
student’s high school completion if the College or the United States Department of Education
has reason to believe that the high school diploma is not valid or was not obtained from an
entity that provides secondary school education.

Information about the admission process can be found online at
http://www.rcc.edu/services/admissions/, in the Schedule of Classes and the Catalog.

Office of Primary Responsibility: Vice Chancellor, Educational Services
Admissions and Records