

POLICY NAME:	803.01: Tuition: General
EFFECTIVE:	09-25-08
SUPERSEDES:	803.01 issued 06-26-08; 03-24-98; 11-14-02; 09-28-00; 08-22-96
SOURCE:	
CROSS REFERENCE:	801.01

1. Residency Status

Residency Status must be determined upon admission. Applicants must first satisfy the admission requirements stated in Policy 801.01.

2. In-State Tuition

2.1. The in-state tuition rate shall be established by the State Board of Education.

2.2. Eligibility

2.2.1. The in-state tuition rate shall be extended to students who reside outside of Alabama in a state and county within fifty (50) miles of a campus of the Alabama Community College System institution, provided, however, that the campus must have been in existence and operating as of January 1, 1996.

2.2.2. The in-state tuition rate shall be extended to students who have graduated from Alabama high schools or who have obtained a GED in the State of Alabama within three years of the date of their application for admission in accordance with the requirements set forth in the *Code of Alabama*.

2.2.3. Students who are not eligible for in-state tuition under 2.2.1. or 2.2.2, may still qualify for in-state tuition. Please refer to the guidelines associated with this policy for a full explanation of alternative in state residency requirements.

3. Out-of-State Tuition

3.1. The out-of-state tuition rate shall be 2.00 times the in-state tuition rate, rounded up to the nearest dollar.

3.2. International students must pay the out-of-state tuition rate.

4. Student Activity and Organization Expenditures

Each institution may annually expend from tuition collections an amount set forth in guidelines established by the Chancellor, for student activities and organizations.

5. Deferred Tuition Payment Plan

Each institution may implement an optional deferred tuition payment plan for students requiring payment of at least one-half of total term charges no later than the first day of each term. The remaining balance shall be paid no later than midpoint of the term. In the event of delinquent student payments, no grades, college credits, transcripts, or diplomas shall be issued or released. A student with a delinquent account shall not be enrolled in subsequent terms until all delinquent balances are paid in full. Colleges are authorized under Policy 804.01 to institute a deferred tuition payment fee schedule. Guidelines for the implementation of a deferred payment fee schedule under Policy 804.01 will be created by the Chancellor.

6. Provisional Enrollment

Tuition payment may be extended up to sixty (60) days for students receiving financial assistance from third party agencies and who provide written evidence verifying assistance.

7. Exceptions

The Chancellor is authorized to approve exceptions to State Board of Education authorized tuition schedules for institution programs and courses, upon written request of one or more Alabama Community College System Presidents, including appropriate supporting documentation of the reason and justification for such request.

8. Guidelines for implementation of this policy shall be established by the Chancellor.

9. This policy will be effective as of pre-registration for Spring 2009 term.