



HB 2438 college credit by examination; appropriations (Udall)

- States that the College Credit by Examination Development Fund (Fund) consists of legislative appropriations, rather than funds that had not been distributed the prior year in the form of College Credit by Examination incentive bonuses.
- Directs the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) to distribute the funds to eliminate or reduce exam fee costs for students who are eligible for free or reduced-price lunch on a pro rata basis.
- Requires ADE to distribute any remaining money in the Fund to schools with 50% or more of the students eligible for free or reduced-price lunch to assist in developing and offering classes that offer college credit exams, including through professional development grants
 - Prioritizes distributions from the Fund based on need, which may include showing that students are academically prepared for a qualifying exam that will provide them college credit from any in-state university but lack access in their local school to the corresponding course or an instructor.
- Appropriates \$1M in FY21 to ADE for the College Credit by Examination Incentive Program.
- Appropriates \$1.5M in FY21 to the College Credit by Examination Development Fund.