



Funding

- x School districts/Charter School Institute must report ASCENT students in October count to the Colorado Department of Education (CDE). LEPs must verify attendance at the IHE according to October Count procedures for the enrollment for ASCENT [Student October Count Attendance Requirements for Concurrent Enrollment & ASCENT \(IHE\) verification.](#)
- x Textbooks and fees are ~~to be~~ unless otherwise negotiated between the LEP and IHE.
- x Institutions of higher education will include enrolled ASCENT students in official full-time equivalent student reporting.
- x ASCENT participants will be required to apply for Colorado Opportunity Fund (COF) funding, and authorize, for each term of postsecondary enrollment at institutions which receive COF funding.

Local Education Provider & High School Responsibilities

- x Beginning in 2020-21, Concurrent Enrollment must be offered at **no tuition cost to qualified students** - Local Education Providers **will continue to pay up to only the tuition rate set by the state board for community colleges** and occupational education (per SB19 176).
- x Determine any additional LEP defined standards for eligibility/readiness (e.g. appropriate GPA, meeting LEP graduation requirements, etc.) for students enrolled in program or intending to enroll.
- x Develop a timeline and procedure for students to sign up to participate in the ASCENT program. LEPs should consider adding ASCENT interest in students' ICAP form, during their sophomore year of high school.
- x LEPs should assist students and parents/guardian to ~~to~~ ~~to~~ postsecondary opportunities and review the best fit for the student, both in terms of financial options and postsecondary goals. Students should be advised to:
 - o Research career and/or military opportunities;
 - o Apply to any postsecondary institutions/programs in which they are interested;
 - o ~~to~~
 - o ~~to~~

