

Report: Funding for Multi-Campus Colleges S.L. 2009-451, Section 8.23

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Multi-Campus Colleges

- State Board-approved **convenience locations** where students may complete certificates, diplomas, and associate degrees as well as access literacy and continuing education courses.
- **32** Approved Multi-Campus College locations at **20** colleges.

Approval Criteria

- Population Base/Student Demand
- Must offer at least one complete Associates Degree at the MCC campus.
- Programs and Services Meet Accreditation Requirements
 - Must offer comprehensive instructional support functions such as libraries and student services.
- Must serve at least 300 full time equivalent (FTE) students.

Goal: Provide appropriate geographic access, while minimizing unnecessary duplication of facilities and services.

Multi-Campus Formula

- Each MCC is eligible to receive an allocation equal to the lower of:
 - The budget FTE served at the MCC site multiplied by the Institutional Support Enrollment Allotment value (\$1,386 for FY 2009-10); or
 - The maximum allocation based on the MCC's level as defined below:

<u>MCC Level</u>	<u>Budget FTE</u>	<u>Maximum Allocation</u>
Level 1	Less than 500	\$525,000
Level 2	500 to 799	\$575,000
Level 3	800+	\$625,000

Funding Challenges

- Colleges are not receiving full amount for which they are eligible:
 - MCC formula was not fully funded for FY 2009-10
 - No funding has been appropriated for 7 approved MCC locations:
 - Western Stanly Campus at Stanly CC
 - Highway 29 Business and Technology Campus at Rowan-Cabarrus CC
 - Cloverleaf Plaza Campus at Rowan-Cabarrus CC
 - Macon County Campus at Southwestern CC
 - Public Safety Training Center at Wake Technical CC
 - Transylvania Center at Blue Ridge CC
 - Northwest Guilford County Campus at Guilford Technical CC

Recommendation

- Include adjustments necessary to fully fund the MCC formula in future continuation budgets:
 - Fully fund existing campuses: \$ 985,097
 - Fully fund 7 unfunded campuses: \$2,987,542
- \$3,972,639

Report Highlights

- **Seven** approved Multi-Campus College (MCC) locations are **not currently funded**.
- The MCC formula is **not fully funded** even for currently funded locations.
- **\$4 million** is needed to fully fund all approved MCC locations consistent with MCC formula.