

1 **R277. Education, Administration.**

2 **R277-720. Reimbursement Program for Early Graduation from Personalized,**  
3 **Competency-Based ~~[Education]~~ Learning Program.**

4 **R277-720-1. Authority and Purpose.**

5 (1) This rule is authorized by:

6 (a) Utah Constitution Article X, Section 3 which vests general control and  
7 supervision over public education in the Board;

8 (b) Subsection [53E-3-401\(4\)](#), which allows the Board to make rules to execute the  
9 Board's duties and responsibilities under the Utah Constitution and state law;

10 (c) Subsection [53F-2-511\(1\)\(c\)\(ii\)](#), which allows the Board to make rules to specify  
11 additional criteria for an LEA to be eligible for a personalized, competency-based  
12 ~~[education]~~ learning early graduation reimbursement; and

13 (d) Subsection [53F-2-511\(6\)](#), which allows the Board to make rules for the  
14 administration of the Reimbursement Program for Early Graduation from Personalized,  
15 Competency-Based ~~[Education]~~ Learning.

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17 **R277-720-2. Definitions.**

18 ~~[(1) "Advisory Committee" means the Personalized Competency-based Learning~~  
19 ~~Advisory Committee created in Section R277-712-3.]~~

20 ~~[(2)1]~~ "Eligible LEA" means an LEA that:

21 (a) has demonstrated to the Board that the LEA or ~~[, for a school district,]~~ a school  
22 within the LEA~~;~~ provides and facilitates personalized competency-based ~~[education]~~  
23 learning that is based on the core principles described in Section [53F-5-502](#); and

24 (b) has an approved personalized, competency-based ~~[education]~~ learning  
25 program that includes:

26 (i) at least one outcome measure for each indicator level required by the  
27 Superintendent;

28 (ii) outcome measures that are disaggregated by student subgroups where  
29 possible; and

30 (iii) at least one outcome measure for student growth and proficiency.

31 ~~[(3)2]~~ "Eligible student" means a student who:

32 (a) meets the requirements described in Subsection [53F-2-511\(1\)\(d\)](#);

1 (b) has been flagged by an LEA as a personalized competency-based [education]  
2 learning participant.

3 ([4]3) "Program" means the Reimbursement Program for Early Graduation from  
4 Personalized, Competency-Based [Education] Learning described in Section 53F-2-511.

5 (4) "Review Committee" means the Personalized Competency-based Learning  
6 Review Committee created in Section R277-712-3.

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8 **R277-720-3. Personalized, Competency-Based [Education] Learning Designation.**

9 (1) To receive a personalized, competency-based [education] learning  
10 designation, an eligible LEA shall:

11 (a) submit an application in the form prescribed by the Superintendent to the  
12 ~~[advisory]~~review committee;

13 (b) submit the application in Subsection (1)(a) no later than April 1~~[st]~~ of the school  
14 year prior to the school year in which the LEA intends to seek reimbursement; and

15 (c) have an approved personalized, competency-based [education] learning plan  
16 pursuant to Rule R277-712.

17 (2) The ~~[advisory]~~review committee shall review all applications and make  
18 recommendations to the Board based on the Board approved personalized,  
19 competency-based [education] learning core principals and measures described in Rule  
20 R277-712.

21 (3) The Board shall approve or deny the recommendations made by the  
22 ~~[advisory]~~review committee in a timely manner.

23 (4) If approved, an eligible LEA's personalized, competency-based [education]  
24 learning designation shall ~~[last for the following]~~ continue for three years, provided the  
25 school continues to ~~[operate on]~~ implement a personalized, competency-based learning  
26 model.

27 (5) An eligible LEA may not retroactively use an approved personalized,  
28 competency-based [education] learning designation for reimbursement of eligible students.

29 ~~[If an eligible LEA does not have a current competency-based education~~  
30 ~~designation, the eligible LEA may not use the approved competency-based education~~  
31 ~~designation for reimbursement of eligible students in the school year in which the eligible~~  
32 ~~LEA's application is approved.] An LEA may claim reimbursement for eligible students in~~

1 the school year after establishing a personalized, competency-based learning designation  
2 and in subsequent years, as long as the designation continues.

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4 **R277-720-4. Early Graduation Reimbursement.**

5 (1) ~~[An eligible LEA with a competency-based education designation may seek~~  
6 ~~reimbursement for an eligible student beginning October 2021 for membership generated~~  
7 ~~in the 2020-2021 school year.]~~ An eligible LEA with a personalized, competency-based  
8 learning designation may seek reimbursement for an eligible student in October for  
9 membership generated by the eligible student in the previous school year.

10 (2) The reimbursement amount shall be calculated by the Superintendent in the  
11 following manner:

12 (a) the amount of weighted pupil unit lost due to early graduation for each eligible  
13 student shall be determined as described by Subsection 53F-2-511(5);

14 (b) the total amount of lost weighted pupil unit for each eligible student shall be  
15 used to establish an LEA aggregate total and a statewide aggregate total for all eligible  
16 students;

17 (c) if the statewide aggregate total is equal to or less than the total amount  
18 allocated for the program by the legislature, an eligible LEA shall be reimbursed the LEA  
19 aggregate total;

20 (d) if the statewide aggregate total exceeds the total amount allocated for the  
21 program by the legislature, an eligible LEA shall be reimbursed a prorated amount  
22 proportionate to the percentage that the LEA aggregate total is of the statewide aggregate  
23 total.

24 (3) An LEA shall not receive a reimbursement for an eligible student that exceeds  
25 the amount outlined in Subsection 53F-2-511(5)(a).

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27 **KEY: personalized, competency-based [education] learning, reimbursements, early**  
28 **graduation**

29 **Date of Enactment or Last Substantive Amendment: May 23, 2019**

30 **Authorizing, and Implemented or Interpreted Law: Art X Sec 3; 53E-3-401(4);**  
31 **53F-2-511**