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Mr. Patrick E. Fuller, Chief Clerk  
Wisconsin State Assembly  
17 West Main Street, Rm. 401  
Madison, WI 53703

Dear Chief Clerk Fuller:

I am pleased to share with you the attached report in compliance with section 38.04(21) of the Wisconsin statutes. This provision requires the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) Board to submit an annual report regarding high school students attending technical colleges. The report is to be submitted to the Legislature and to four state agencies (Departments of Administration, Children and Families, Public Instruction, and Workforce Development.) The reporting requirement was established in 1997 Wisconsin Act 27.

The following level of activity occurred in the 2013-2014 school year:

971 high school students attended the WTCS under the 118.15 Compulsory Education Option;

2,447 high school students attended the WTCS under the Youth Options Program; and

over 28,000 high school students enrolled in WTCS postsecondary level courses through means other than 118.15 Compulsory Education or Youth Options.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Ann Westrich, Career Prep Education Director, at (608) 261-4588.

Sincerely,

Morna K. Foy  
President

Attachment

cc: Sara Hynek, DOA  
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**Public High School Pupils Attending Wisconsin Technical Colleges  
Fiscal Years 2010-11 through 2013-14**

Section 38.04(21) of the Wisconsin statutes requires that the WTCS report information on public high school pupils enrolling in technical college courses to the Legislature and four state agencies (DOA, DCF, DPI and DWD). Five categories of enrollments are covered:

- A. 118.15 Compulsory Education – Under the provisions of ss. 118.15(1) (b), (cm) and (d), *Wis. Stats.*, high school pupils who meet certain criteria are allowed to attend technical college in lieu of high school or on a part-time basis.
- B. Youth Options – Under the Youth Options Program, s. 118.55, *Wis. Stats.*, high school pupils have the ability to take postsecondary level courses for both high school and technical college credit.
- C. Transcribed Credit - This option also known as “dual credit” allows students to gain both high school and technical college credit simultaneously. Section 118.34, *Wis. Stats.*, authorizes the establishment of technical preparation programs that allow high school pupils to either gain advanced standing at a technical college or receive actual technical college credit. It should be noted that pupils earn advanced standing while in high school, but do not actually receive the credit until they have completed high school and are admitted to a technical college. Therefore, this report can only identify pupils who received actual technical college credit while still enrolled in high school.
- D. Youth Apprenticeship – Section 106.13, *Wis. Stats.*, allows a student to enroll in a youth apprenticeship program with the ability to gain advanced standing or receive actual technical college credit.
- E. 38.14 Contracts – Under s. 38.14(3), *Wis. Stats.*, a technical college may enter into a contract to provide educational services to a school district.

The following tables provide a statewide summary of such enrollments for the school years 2010-11 through 2013-14. Numbers of students, courses and credits taken are included. The WTCS Client Reporting System is the source for this information.

<b>Headcount</b>						
<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>118.15 Compulsory Education</b>	<b>Youth Options</b>	<b>Transcribed Credit</b>	<b>Youth Apprenticeship</b>	<b>38.14 Contracts</b>	<b>Unduplicated Total – All*</b>
2010	1,886	2,912	12,729	236	1,871	19,077
2011	1,666	2,392	13,928	292	2,797	20,507
2012	1,298	2,038	16,593	238	2,283	21,921
2013	1,050	2,237	21,496	301	2,364	26,559
2014	971	2,447	22,472	279	2,880	28,026

\* This total counts students who took courses in more than one of the five categories only once.



**Courses (Enrollments)**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>118.15 Compulsory Education</b>	<b>Youth Options</b>	<b>Transcripted Credit</b>	<b>Youth Apprenticeship</b>	<b>38.14 Contracts</b>	<b>Total</b>
2010	15,143	4,698	16,606	392	2,470	39,309
2011	13,172	3,842	18,326	455	3,559	39,354
2012	10,742	3,287	21,384	384	2,932	38,729
2013	9,211	3,616	28,065	515	3,153	44,560
2014	8,690	4,227	29,785	484	3,980	47,166

**Credits**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>118.15 Compulsory Education</b>	<b>Youth Options</b>	<b>Transcripted Credit</b>	<b>Youth Apprenticeship</b>	<b>38.14 Contracts</b>	<b>Total</b>
2010	17,058	13,125	40,698	1,050	6,758	78,688
2011	14,813	10,683	44,726	1,201	9,894	81,317
2012	11,924	9,235	53,330	1,036	7,851	83,376
2013	10,348	10,093	71,594	1,291	8,409	101,735
2014	9,974	11,796	77,907	1,167	10,913	111,757

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