Out-of-State Driver’s License Guidelines

All publicly, state-supported institutions are required to report enrollment data to the State of Ohio, according to Section (F)(4) of the Ohio Revised Code. As set forth in the Ohio Revised Code(s), Sections 3333-1-10 and 3333.31, it is Columbus State Community College’s legal mandate and fiduciary responsibility to report students who have identified themselves as non-residents or Ohio residents. Each student demographic must be billed distinctly, and according to a tiered billing matrix as Ohio Resident, Non-Resident or International. Ohio Residents are entitled to receive a tax-subsidized rate, hence the law is designed by its own account, "to exclude (prevent from receiving the subsidized Ohio rate) those students who are present in the state of Ohio primarily for the purpose of receiving the benefit of a state-supported education.” (OAC 3333-1-10)

Per the Ohio Administrative Code § 3333-1-10 of the Ohio Revised Code, any student maintaining an out-of-state Driver’s License, while benefiting from a tax-subsidized education, may be subject to non-resident re-classification, if they have an Ohio Resident status. Please refer to Guideline (D)(1)(d) Criteria evidencing residency:

(d) If a person has an Ohio’s driver’s license and/or motor vehicle registration.

d. A person who has not “declared himself or herself to be or allowed himself or herself to remain” a resident of another state for “these or other purposes” shall mean one who does not retain an out-of-state driver’s license, automobile registration, or voting residence, or who does not receive such things as loans or scholarships from another state when residency in that state is a prerequisite therefore. This total disavowal of residency in another state must be for a full year’s time before Ohio residency can be granted under this Rule.

Please be advised that if any student comes to the Student Assistance Center or the Records and Registration Department and presents an out-of-state driver’s license as a form of identification while conducting business at Columbus State Community College, they are subject to having their Ohio Residency Status suspended or revoked.

In the event that such case was to occur, the student would be notified in writing by mail, and would be given the opportunity to re-apply for Ohio Residency Re-Classification after a thorough verification was conducted, and the student was able to produce a valid, current Ohio Driver’s License.