

# House Bill 2557

Sponsored by Representative EVANS (Pre-session filed.)

## SUMMARY

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Establishes minimum education requirements for teachers of certain accelerated college credit program courses.

Takes effect July 1, 2020.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to accelerated college credit programs; creating new provisions; amending ORS 340.300; and  
3 prescribing an effective date.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 340.300 is amended to read:

6 340.300. (1) As used in this section, "accelerated college credit programs" includes dual credit  
7 programs, two-plus-two programs, advanced placement programs and International Baccalaureate  
8 programs.

9 (2) Each school district shall:

10 (a) Provide students in grades 9 through 12 with accelerated college credit programs including,  
11 but not limited to, accelerated college credit programs related to English, mathematics and science;  
12 or

13 (b) Ensure that students in grades 9 through 12 have online access to accelerated college credit  
14 programs including, but not limited to, accelerated college credit programs related to English,  
15 mathematics and science.

16 (3) **A school district shall ensure that a teacher of a course that is part of an accelerated  
17 college credit program has completed the equivalent of a minimum of 27 quarter hours of  
18 graduate level course work relevant to the course. The requirement of this subsection:**

19 (a) **Applies to teachers of courses that are provided to:**

20 (A) **Students of the school district, including students of public charter schools; and**

21 (B) **Students who otherwise are taught by a parent, legal guardian or private teacher as  
22 provided in ORS 339.030; and**

23 (b) **Does not apply to teachers of:**

24 (A) **Career and technical education courses; or**

25 (B) **Courses that are a part of a dual credit program for which teacher qualifications are  
26 prescribed by national or international standards.**

27 **SECTION 2.** The amendments to ORS 340.300 by section 1 of this 2019 Act first apply to  
28 courses taught during the 2020-2021 school year.

29 **SECTION 3.** This 2019 Act takes effect on July 1, 2020.  
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**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.