

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
COORDINATING COMMISSION  
FOR POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION  
STATE OF NEBRASKA**

The Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education will hold consecutive public hearings on Tuesday, May 31, 2016, commencing at 9:00 a.m. CDT in Room #1113 at the State Capitol, 1445 K St. in Lincoln, Nebraska.

These hearings will be held on the amendments to Title 281, Nebraska Administrative Code, Chapter 6 – Rules and Regulations Concerning the Access College Early Scholarship Program Act; Title 281, Nebraska Administrative Code, Chapter 9 – Rules and Regulations Concerning Capital Construction; the repeal of Title 281, Nebraska Administrative Code, Chapter 3 – Rules and Regulations Concerning Accreditation of a Private College; and the proposed revision of Chapter One of the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education’s *Comprehensive Statewide Plan for Postsecondary Education*.

The purpose of the proposed amendments to Chapter 6 (281 NAC 6) is to update Rule 6 pursuant to Legislative Bill 332 (2013), which allows any eligible school official, as designated by the high school, to review and approve a student’s Access College Early scholarship application, update Rule 6 pursuant to Legislative Bill 525 (2015), which expands the eligible student pool to include those in a career pathway program; and to make other technical changes.

The purposes of the proposed amendments to Chapter 9 (281 NAC 9) include updating Rule 9 pursuant to Legislative Bill 546 (2014), which removes the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education from the revenue-bond construction review process for the University of Nebraska and State Colleges, updating Rule 9 to incorporate changes regarding facility operating and maintenance requests, and making other technical and current practice changes.

The purpose of the proposed repeal of Chapter 3 (281 NAC 3) is necessitated by Legislative Bill 637 (2011), which removed the accreditation of a private college from the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education’s powers and duties.

The Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education is currently undertaking a review of Nebraska’s *Comprehensive Statewide Plan for Postsecondary Education*, which is authorized in Article VII, section 14 of the Constitution of the State of Nebraska. The revisions to chapter one are intended to reflect and address changes in postsecondary education and Nebraska since the last plan review. Members of the public are encouraged to attend the public hearing and provide testimony on the chapter one revisions.

For information on these hearings, contact the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education at 140 N. 8<sup>th</sup> St, Suite 300, Lincoln, Nebraska 68508 or by

phone at (402) 471-2847. Draft copies of the chapters proposed to be amended, the draft copy of the chapter proposed to be repealed, and the draft copy of Chapter One of the *Comprehensive Statewide Plan for Postsecondary Education* to be revised can be obtained from the Coordinating Commission at the above address or by viewing the Commission website at [www.ccpe.nebraska.gov](http://www.ccpe.nebraska.gov), as well as from the Office of the Secretary of State, State Capitol, 1445 K St., Suite 2300, Lincoln, NE 68508, (402) 471-2554.

Members of the public are invited to attend and present oral or written testimony at the public hearing. Written comments in advance of the public hearing are also solicited and may be sent to the Commission at the above address. If received by May 24, 2016, such advance comments will be made part of the hearing record at the time of the hearing. Individuals with disabilities may request auxiliary aids or other services necessary for participating by contacting the Commission at the address or phone number listed above no later than May 24, 2016.

A copy of the fiscal impact statement for each rule can be obtained at the Commission's address or website listed above.

Dated at Lincoln, Nebraska this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016.

Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education  
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