



College in the High School Pilot Report

April 2026

Governing Statute

The college in the high school pilot program was established through the passage of [ESHB2441](#) (2024). [RCW 28B.10.063](#) directed the Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC) to select a private not-for-profit four-year institution with a main campus located in Yakima County that serves rural and underserved communities. Participation in the program allowed the selected institution to offer college in the high school (CiHS) courses at no cost to the students enrolling in the courses.

The Legislature directed WSAC to distribute funds to the pilot institution at the rate of \$300 per student, up to a maximum of \$6,000 per CiHS course administered. "Course" means a class taught under a contract between an institution and a single high school teacher on an articulated subject eligible for college credit.

In administering [RCW 28B.10.063](#), WSAC was also required to adopt rules which allow for each institution to annually sign an affidavit that they have adopted nondiscrimination policies in compliance with [RCW 28B.10.065](#).

Finally, any CiHS courses offered by the pilot institution or its faculty shall not include content or instruction that would subject students to religious behavior or conduct.

Implementation and Data Reporting

WSAC selected Heritage University as the pilot institution and adopted rules as per statutory requirement in [Chapter 250-110 WAC](#). Heritage University signed the affidavit attesting adoption of nondiscrimination policies. See Appendix A for affidavit.

Heritage University piloted a Native American language CiHS at Wapato High School. As per [WAC 392-725-120](#), Heritage University submitted required evidence to the review committee upon completion of the program. The committee found that the course did not qualify. Heritage University plans to offer courses in core subject areas for the 2025-26 academic year.

Data Reporting

CiHS Course Offerings 2024-25 by Heritage University

- Course name: Ichiskin/Sahaptin 2
- School district: Wapato School District
- High school: Wapato High School
- Number of students enrolled: 14
- Number of students who scored a C or above in high school credit: 9
- Number of students who scored a C or above in postsecondary credit: 9
- Student demographic data disaggregated by race/ ethnicity: Unknown/ Not provided category - 14

Please note that the data report has been updated to reflect the correct student participation.

(April 29, 2026)



Attachment A

Washington State College in High School Private Institution – Nondiscrimination Affidavit

Private institutions of higher education are required to sign this affidavit annually as part of the participation requirements for this program.

Washington Student Achievement Council shall adopt rules which allow for each private not-for-profit institution of higher education to annually sign an affidavit that the institution has adopted policies in compliance with Engrossed Substitute House Bill 2441 as passed by the Legislature – 2024 Regular Session.

Eligibility Requirements

The affidavit must attest to the following nondiscrimination policies:

- The institution prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, citizenship or immigration status, sex, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, or the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability, and
- The institution operates its education program or activity in a manner free of discrimination. No student may be excluded from participation in an education program or activity, denied the benefits of an education program or activity, or subjected to discrimination on the basis of that student's age, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, race, creed, color, national origin, citizenship or immigration status, veteran or military status, or the presence of any sensory mental, or physical disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability, unless based upon bona fide qualification of the education program; and
- The institution, acting in its capacity as an employer, does not:
 - (i) Refuse to hire, promote, or confer tenure to any person because of age, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, race, creed, color, national origin, citizenship or immigration status, veteran or military status, or the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability, unless based upon bona fide occupational qualification. However, the prohibition against discrimination because of a disability in this subsection (1)(c)(i) does not apply if the particular disability prevents the proper performance of the particular work involved. This subsection may not be construed to require an employer to establish employment goals or quotas based on sexual orientation;
 - (ii) Discharge or bar any person from employment because of age, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, race, creed, color, national origin, citizenship or immigration status, veteran or military status, or the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability;
 - (iii) Discriminate against any person in compensation or in other terms or conditions of employment because of age, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, race, creed, color, national origin, citizenship or immigration status, veteran or military status, or the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a

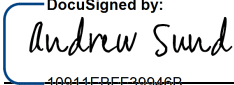
person with a disability. However, this section does not prohibit an employer from segregating washrooms or locker room facilities on the basis of sex, or basing other terms and conditions of employment on the sex of employees where the Washington state human rights commission, created under chapter 49.60 RCW, has by regulation or ruling in a particular instance found the employment practice to be appropriate for the practical realization of equality of opportunity between the sexes; or

(iv) Print or circulate, or cause to be printed or circulated, any statement, advertisement, or publication, or use any form of application for employment, or make any inquiry in connection with prospective employment, which expresses any limitation, specification, or discrimination as to age, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, race, creed, color, national origin, citizenship or immigration status, veteran or military status, or the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability; or any intent to make any such limitation, specification, or discrimination, unless based upon a bona fide occupational qualification. However, nothing in this subsection prohibits advertising in a foreign language.

Certification

I hereby certify, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington, that the policies herein are true and correct and that I am authorized to make these attestations on behalf of the institution listed herein.

I understand that any false statements made in this affidavit may be subject me to legal penalties.

Signature 
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Title President

Date 5/8/2025

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