



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3301.17 Driver education courses.

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(A) The board of education of each city, exempted village, local, and joint vocational school district may make a driver education course available to high school students enrolled in the district in accordance with Chapter 4508. of the Revised Code. No school district making such a course available shall require any student to enroll in the course in lieu of taking a training course from a private driver training school licensed under that chapter.

(B) The principal of each high school shall annually give written notice to the students enrolled in the high school that they may elect, under a procedure that shall be described in the notice, to take a training course from a private driver training school or, if available, enroll in a driver education course made available by the student's school district of attendance.

(C) Students who successfully complete a driver education course offered by the student's school district of attendance or through any agency or organization that the district contracts with to offer such a course under this section may earn either:

(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in division (C)(8) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code, up to one-half unit towards high school elective credits that may substitute for credits in the subjects listed under that division;

(2) An industry-recognized credential approved under section 3313.6113 of the Revised Code.

(D) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in sections 3317.014, 3317.022, and 3317.16 of the Revised Code, a career-technical planning district, as defined in section 3317.023 of the Revised Code, may use a portion of the career-technical education funds received under section 3317.022 or 3317.16 of the Revised Code to make a driver education course available to high school students enrolled in the district.

