

**Limitation on  
Number of Dropped  
Courses**

A College District student will not be permitted to drop more than six courses taken while enrolled at the College District or another public institution of higher education. For the limit to apply:

1. The student must be permitted to drop the course without receiving a grade or being penalized academically;
2. The student's transcript must indicate or will indicate the student was enrolled in the course; and
3. The student must not have dropped the course to withdraw from the College District.

Exceptions  
*Good Cause*

A student will be permitted to exceed the limit on the number of dropped courses for any of the following reasons:

1. A severe illness or other debilitating condition that affects the student's ability to satisfactorily complete a course;
2. The care of a sick, injured, or needy person if providing that care affects the student's ability to satisfactorily complete a course;
3. The death of a member of the student's family as defined by law;
4. The death of a person who has a sufficiently close relationship to the student as defined by law;
5. The student's active military duty service;
6. The active military service of a member of the student's family;
7. A change in the student's work schedule that is beyond the student's control and affects the student's ability to satisfactorily complete the course;
8. A disaster declared by the governor that prevents or limits in-person course attendance for a period determined by the College District, in accordance with Texas Education Code Section 51.907, to significantly affect the student's ability to participate in coursework; or
9. Any other significant issue affecting the ability of the student to satisfactorily complete the course, as determined upon review by the College District registrar.

[For definitions of "student's family" and "a person who has a sufficiently close relationship to the student," see Definitions for Good Cause Exemption in ECC(LEGAL).]

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<i>Reenrolled Students</i>	A qualifying reenrolled student may drop a seventh course in accordance with restrictions reflected in current law.
<i>Course Dropped During a Bachelor's Program</i>	A course dropped by a student, while pursuing a bachelor's degree that the student previously earned, will not be counted toward the limit on the number of dropped courses.
<i>Dual Credit or Dual Enrollment Course</i>	A dual credit or dual enrollment course dropped by a student, before the student graduated from high school, may not be counted toward the limit on the number of dropped courses.
<i>COVID-19 Pandemic</i>	A course dropped by a student during the 2020 spring or summer semester or the 2020-21 academic year because of a bar or limit on in-person course attendance due to the COVID-19 pandemic may not be counted toward the limit on the number of dropped courses.
Procedures	The District President or designee will develop procedures to implement this policy.