

South Dakota Virtual School

July 2012

SDVS Goals

- Work with providers to realign courses to Common Core State Standards
- Increase awareness of SDVS among all stakeholders
- Increase student registrations and course completions
- Increase course selections for middle and high school students
- Remove barriers to access for districts and students & provide frameworks for best practices to school districts

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Score **higher...**
Reach **higher...**



Welcome to South Dakota's Virtual School

Choice. Flexibility. Quality. That's what the South Dakota Virtual School offers: a variety of courses that students can take on their own time, all taught by qualified professionals and aligned to the state's content standards.

Because the South Dakota Department of Education approves all courses, students can be assured that course offerings meet the state's high academic standards.

Any middle or high school student in South Dakota is eligible to take courses via the South Dakota Virtual School. But students must register through their home school district.

Registration for Fall 2012 and Spring 2013 courses is now open.

User Login ▶▶

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[Participating Schools](#)[School Agreement](#)

LEARNING POWER
South Dakota Online AP Incentives Program

 Find out more about
[Learning Power AP courses.](#)

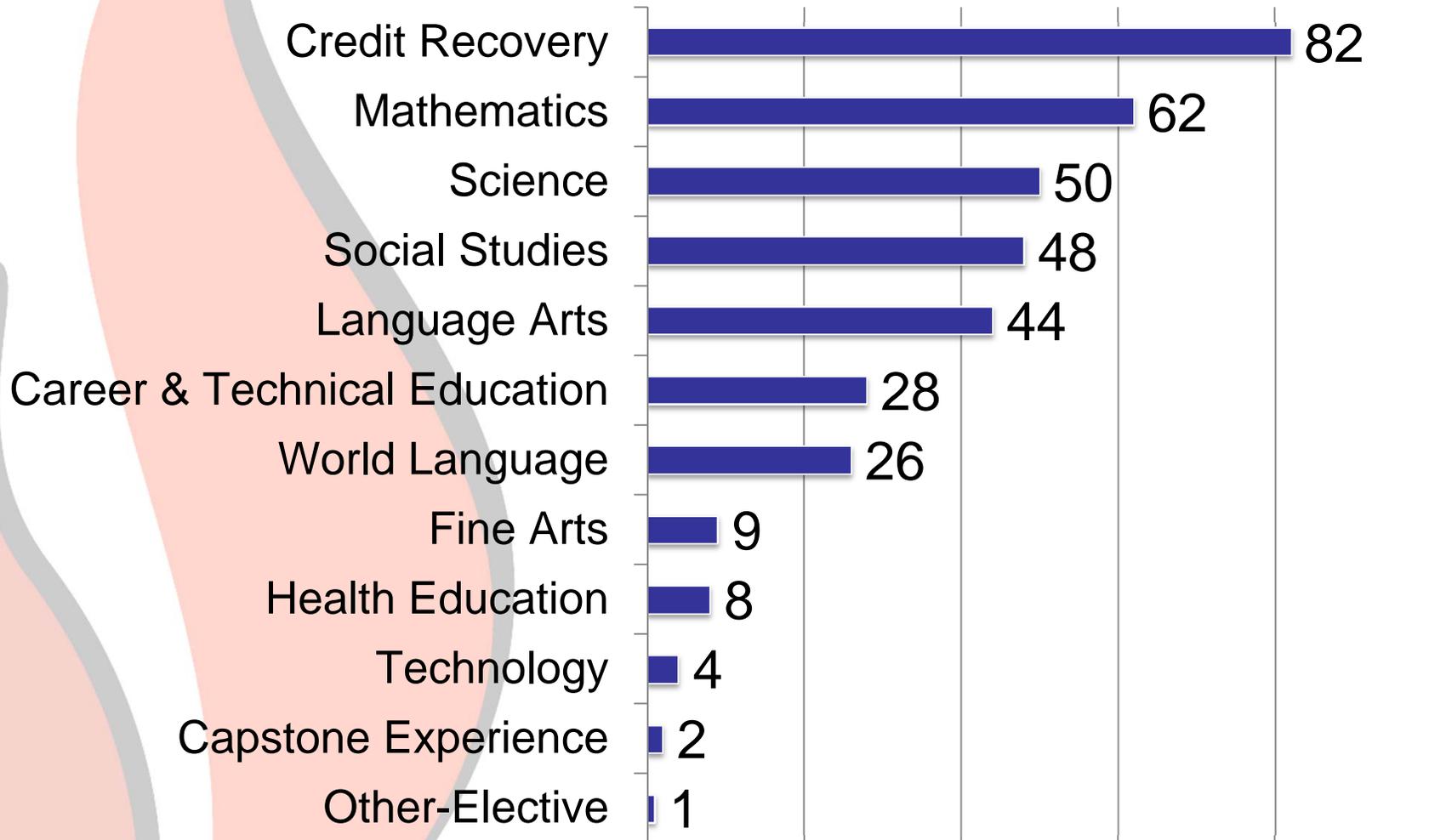


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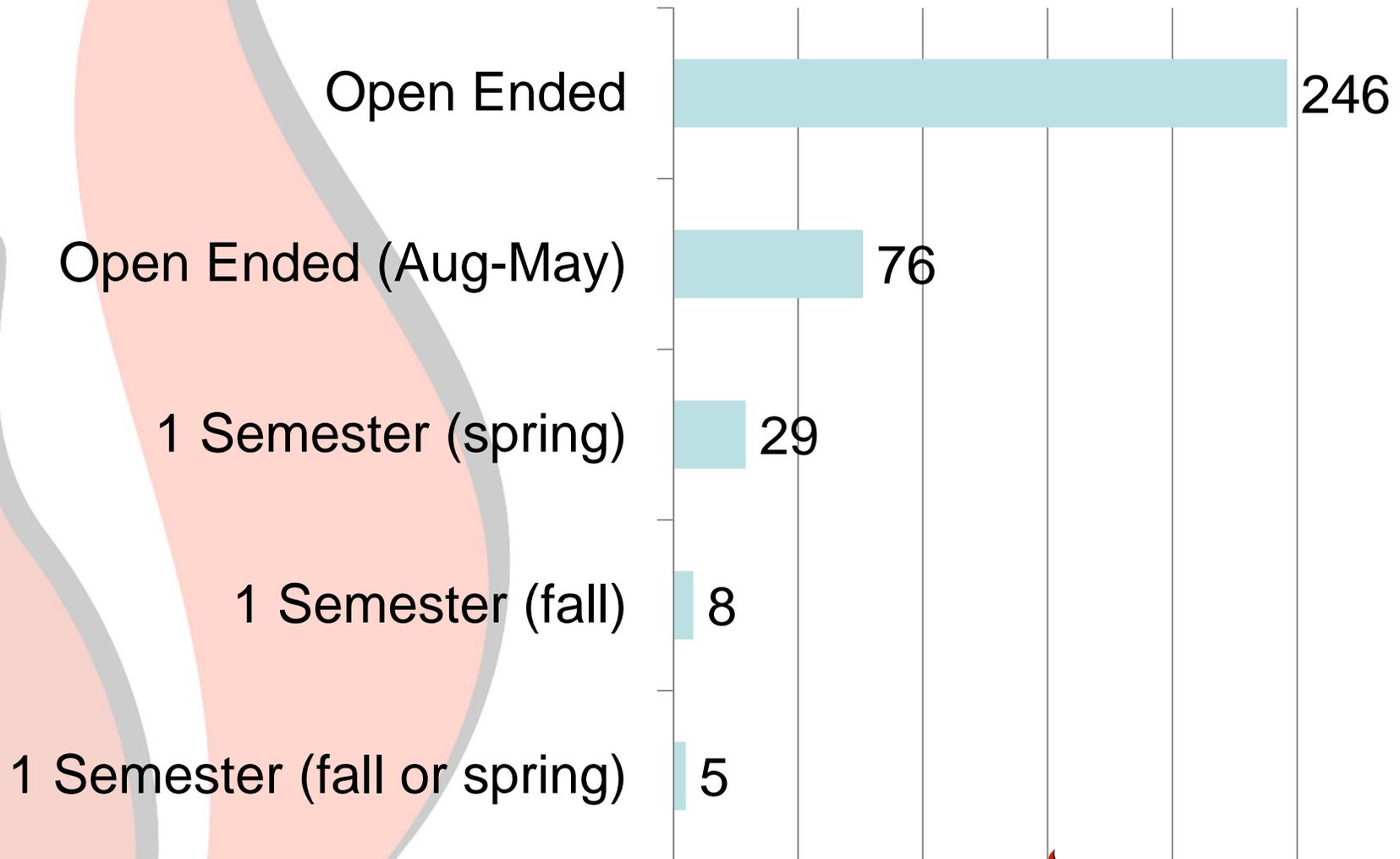
Current Course Offerings

- 364 semester courses currently available
- Includes complete high school offering
- Multiple content areas and time frames
- 24 Advanced Placement Courses
- Beginning to add more middle school offerings

Courses by Content Area



Timeframe When Courses Are Offered



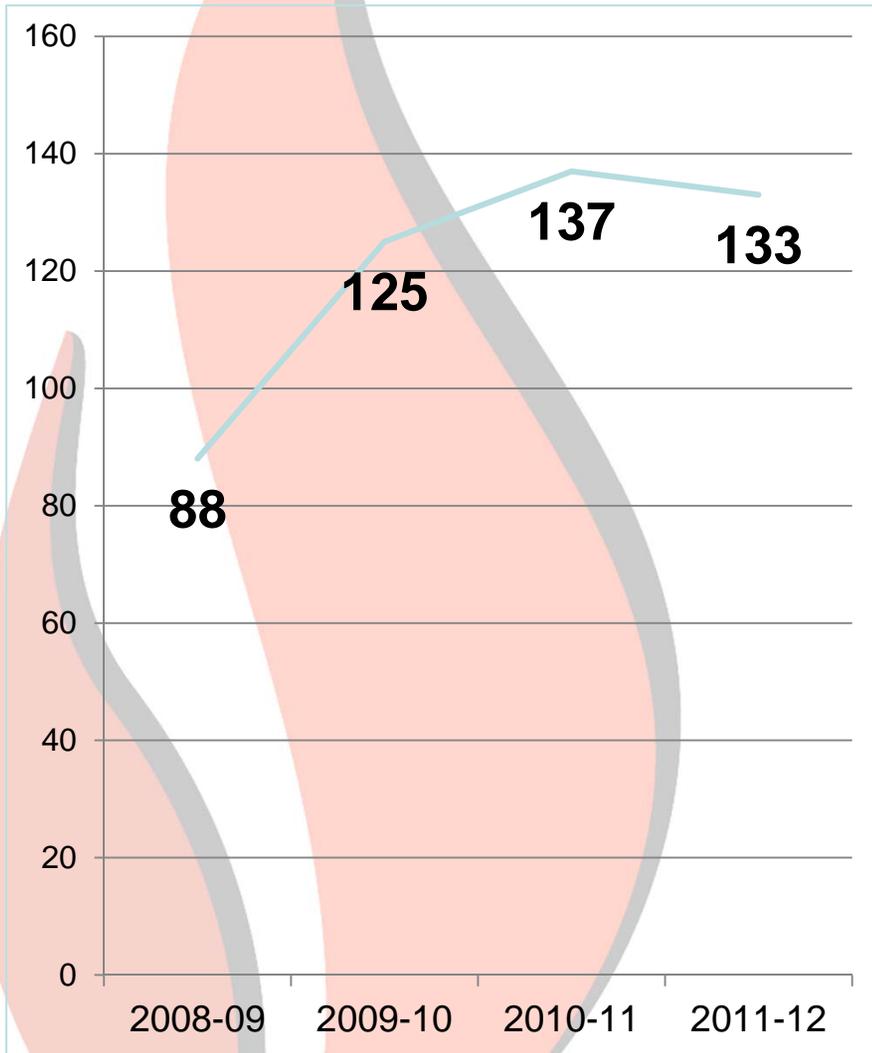
Dual Credit Offerings

- 2011-2012 Year
 - Mitchell Technical Institute
 - Communications/Information Technology
 - Energy Career Training
 - Lake Area Technical Institute
 - Health Sciences
- 2012-2013 School Year
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 - Energy Career Training
 - Currently in conversation with other post-secondary institutions to add additional courses
 - Intro to Education course
 - Biomedical/Health Careers

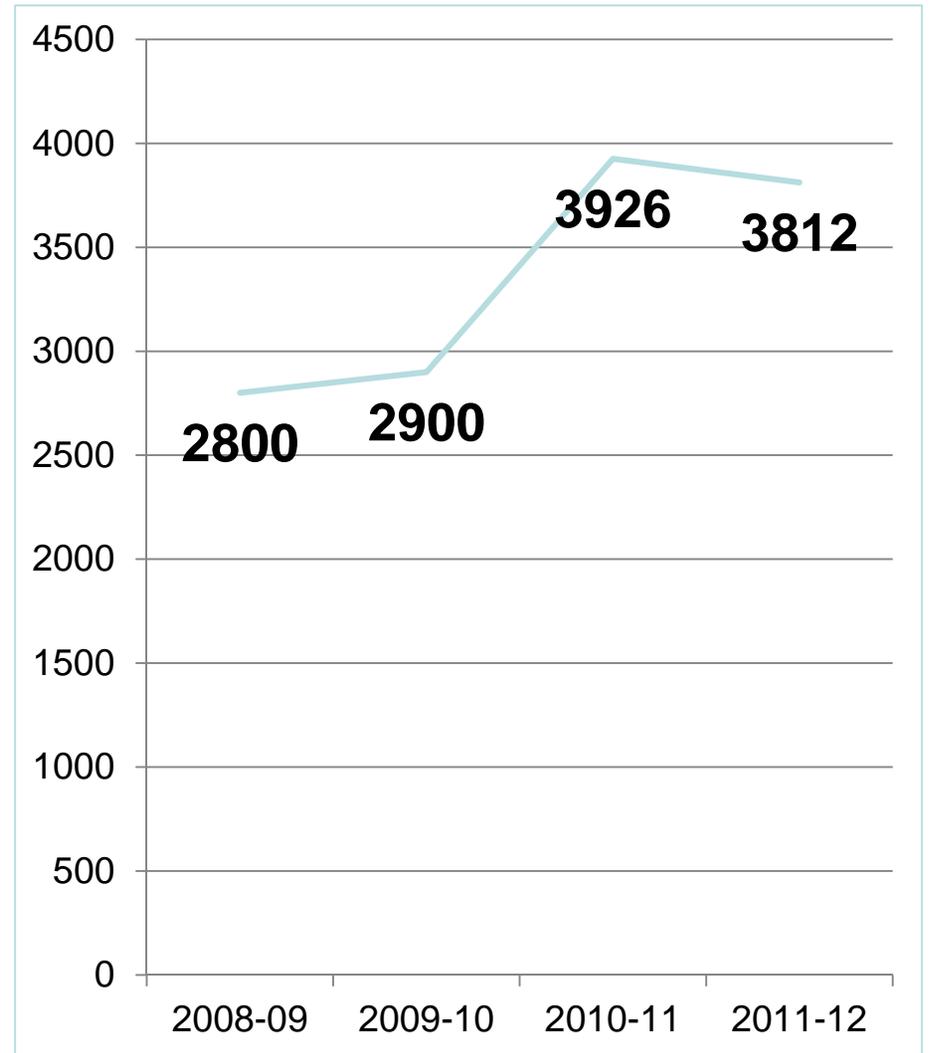
Who uses the South Dakota Virtual School?

- 133 districts statewide
 - Public, private & BIE
- More than 2,900 students
 - Part-time & full-time
 - Grades 6-12
- 3,822 semester registrations

Participating Districts

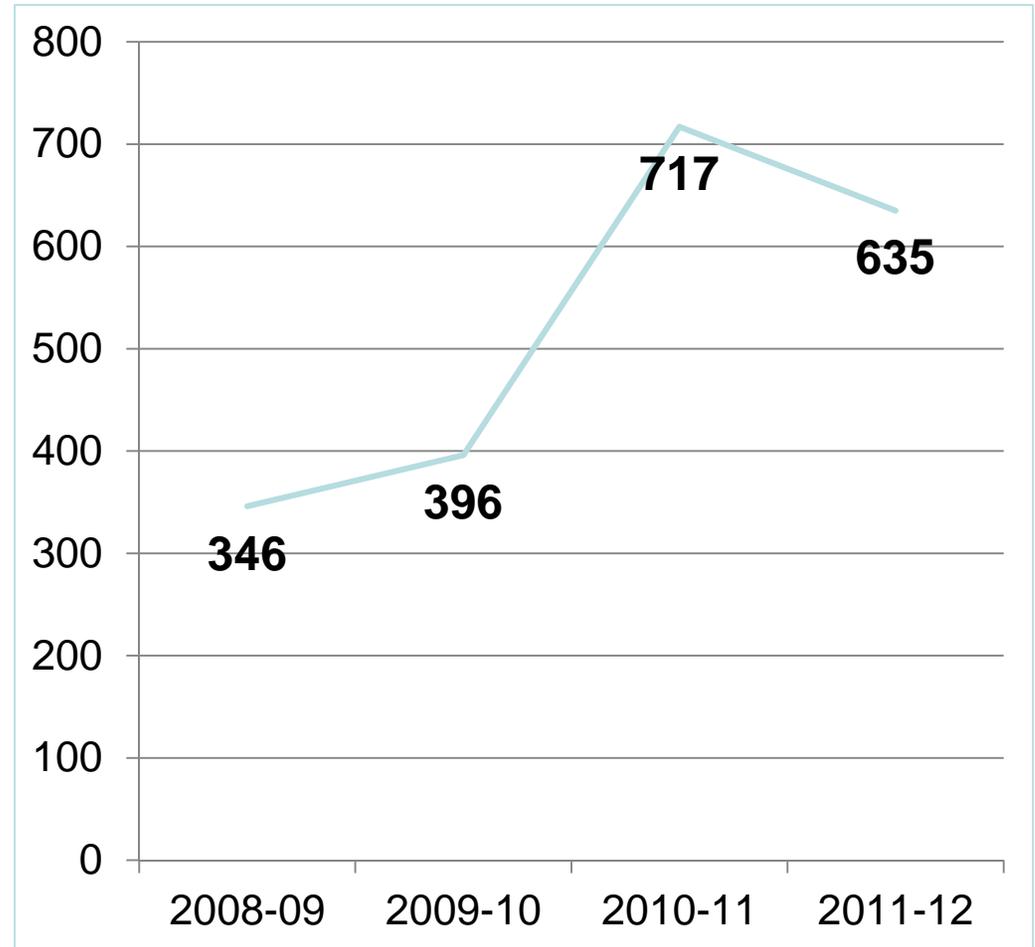


Semester Registrations

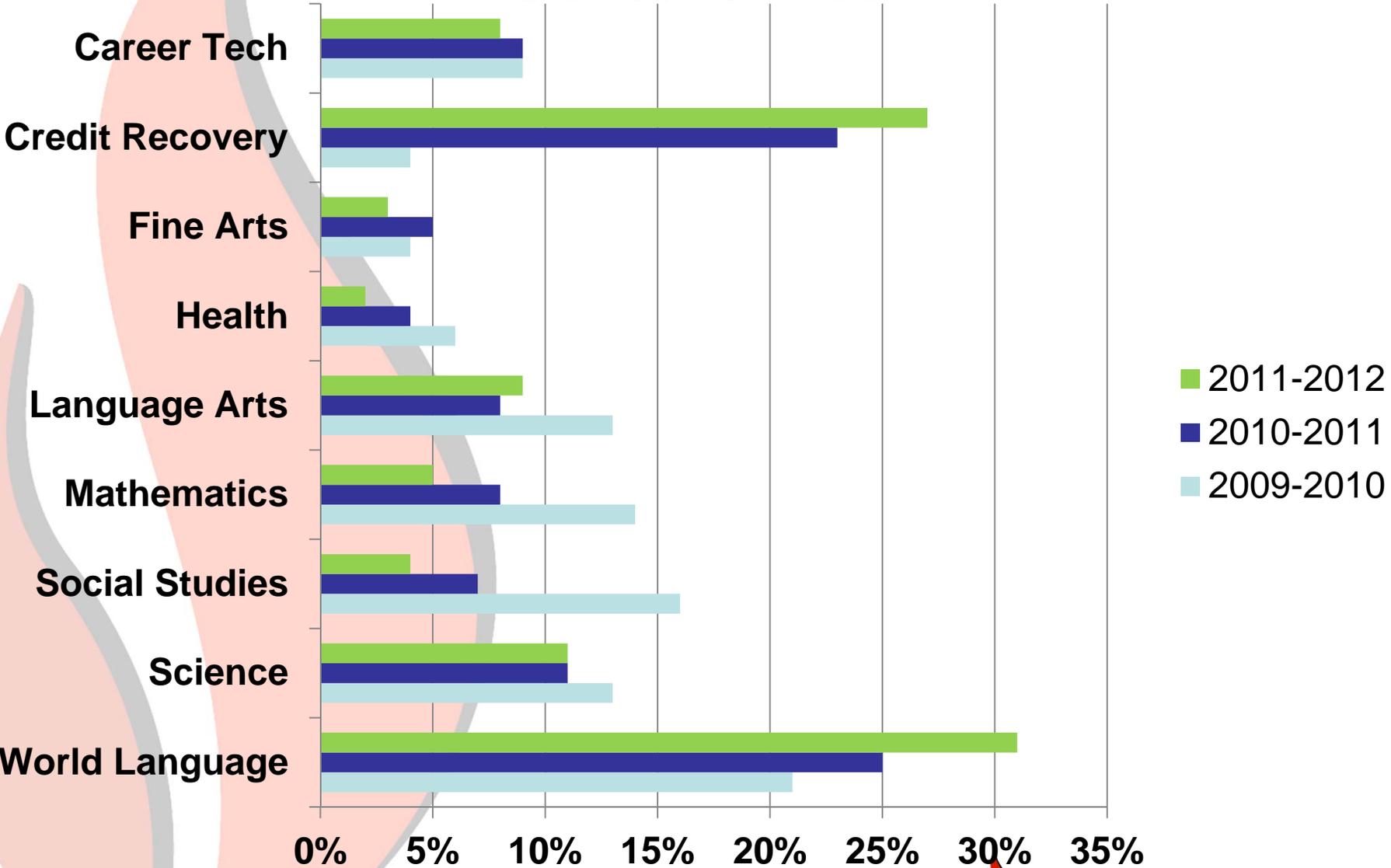


Advanced Placement Registrations

- 2008-2009
 - 346 registrations
- 2009-2010
 - 396 registrations
- 2010-2011
 - 717 registrations
- 2011-2012
 - 635 registrations



Course Registrations by Content Area



Providers

- Eight unique course providers

APEX Learning

DIAL

High Plains Alternative School

ND Center for Distance Education

Black Hills State

Center for eLearning

Mitchell Technical Institute

UNL Independent Study High School

- 78% average completion rate among all providers

- All providers have just completed a three-year reapplication process

- Providers will begin course re-approval process to align math and language arts courses to Common Core State Standards this summer

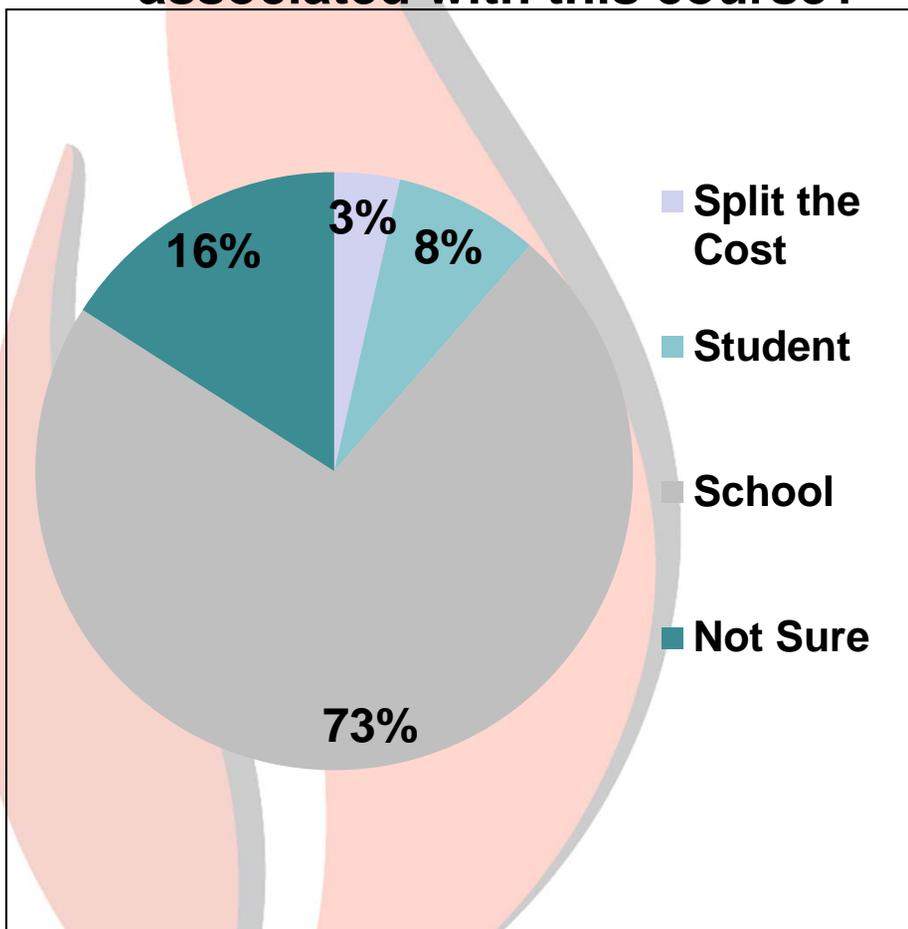
Feedback Surveys

- Students participate in a feedback survey each fall and spring
- Districts participate in an annual year-end survey
- Main data source used to determine customer satisfaction with providers

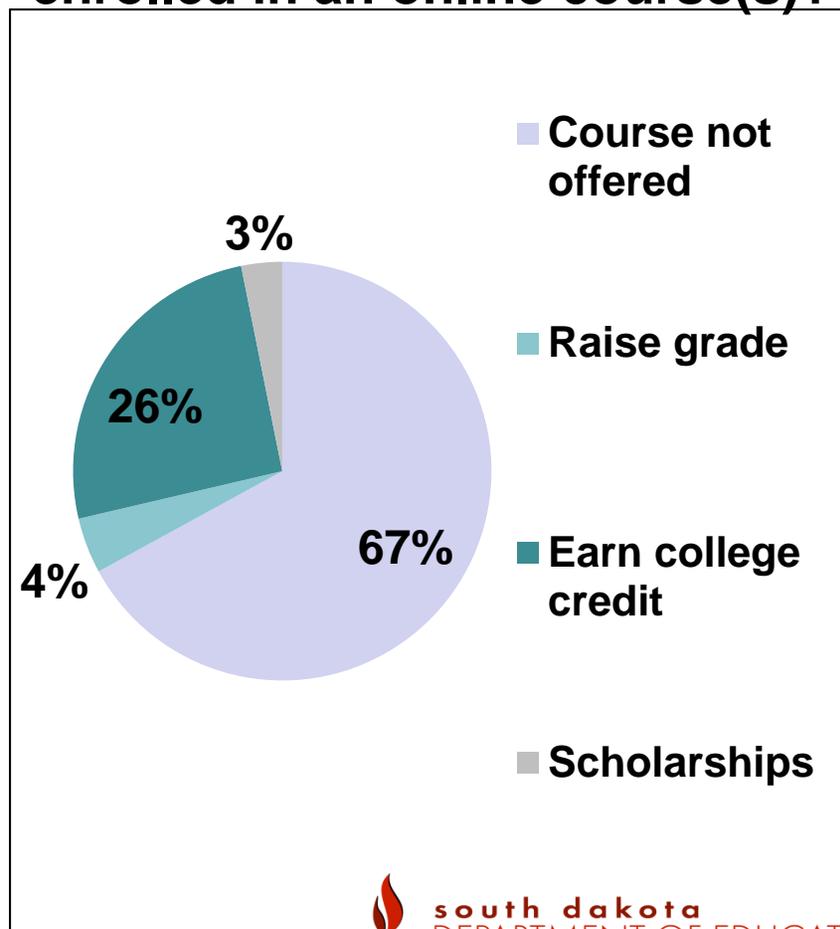
Student Feedback

787 Student Responses

Who paid for the costs associated with this course?

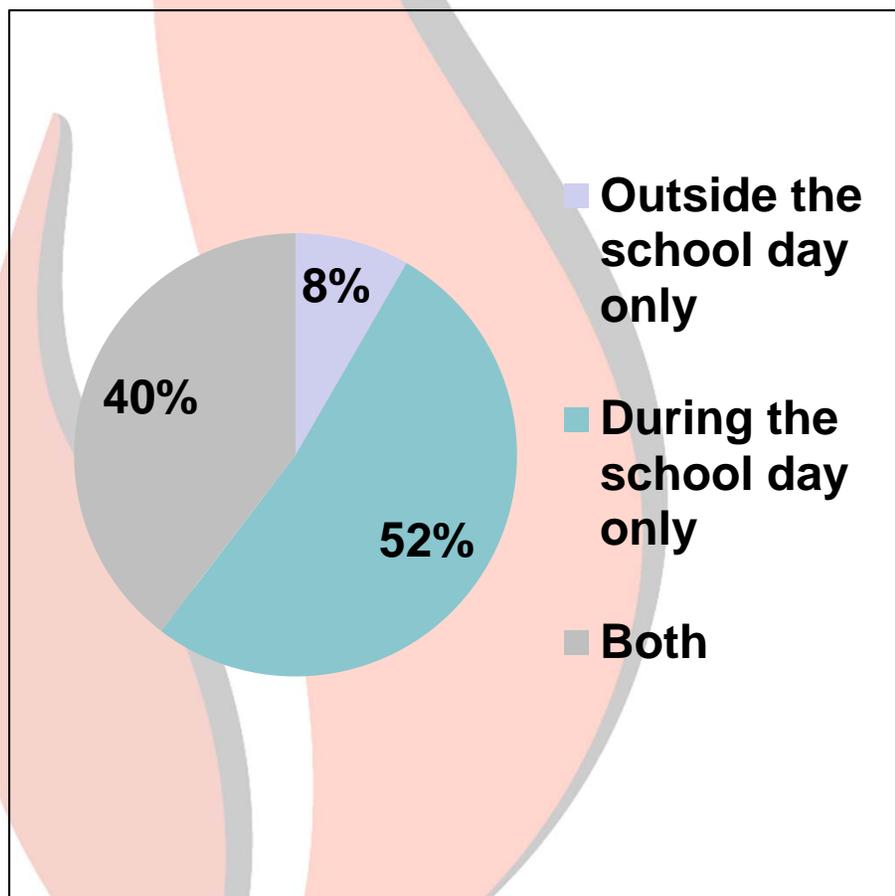


What is the main reason you enrolled in an online course(s)?

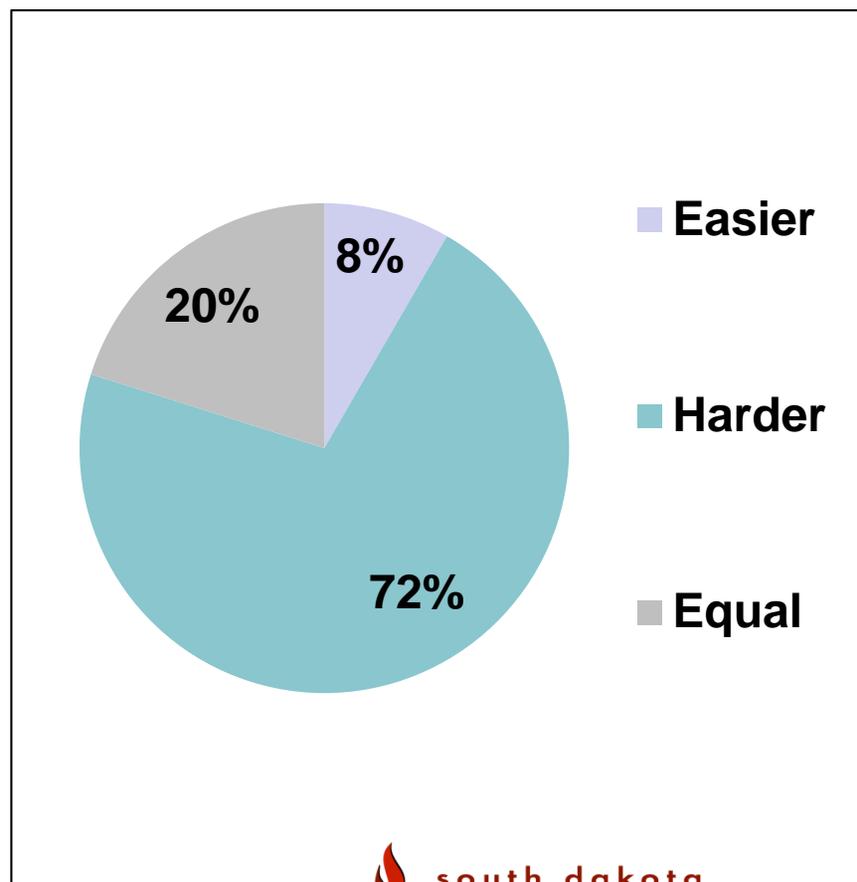


Student Feedback

I most often access my online course(s):



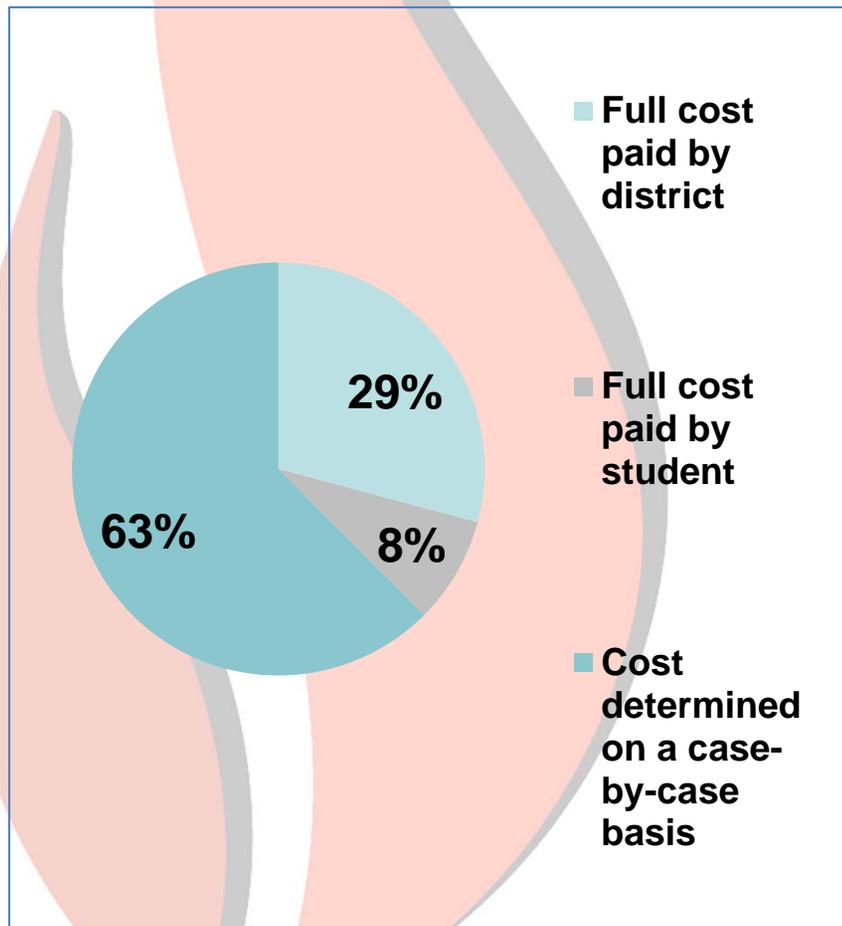
Compared to a traditional face-to-face high school course, the difficulty level of this online course is:



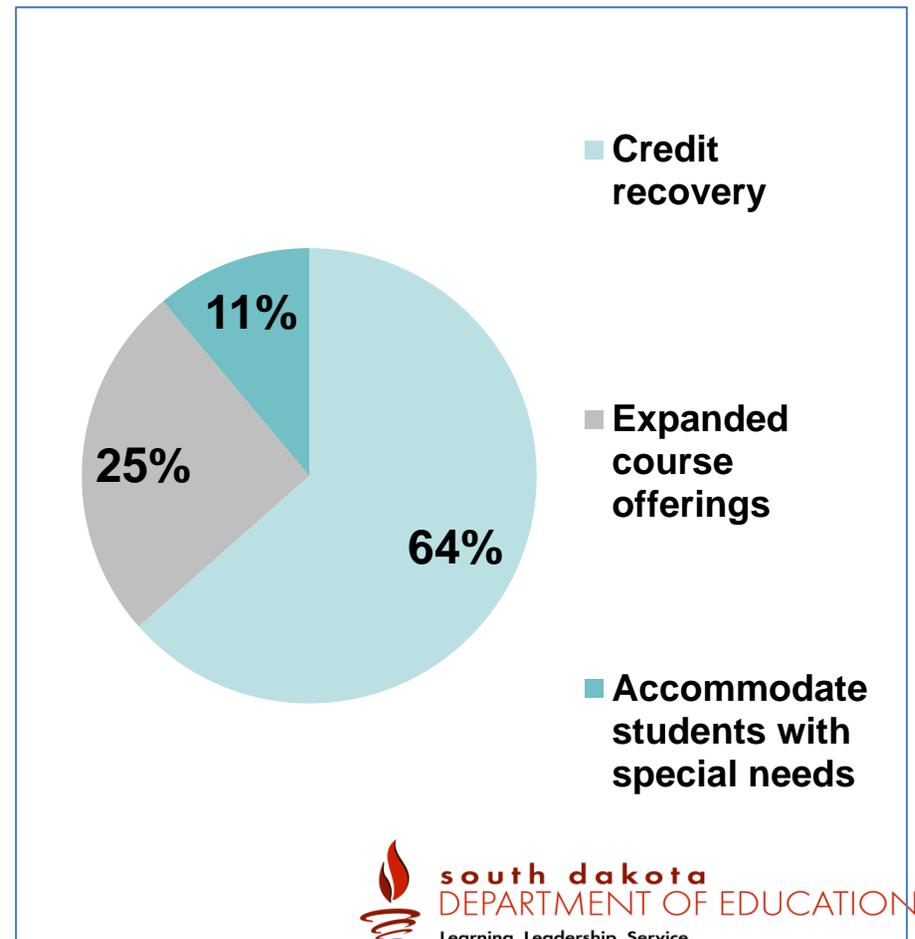
District Feedback

31 Responses

How is student participation in online courses paid for within your district?

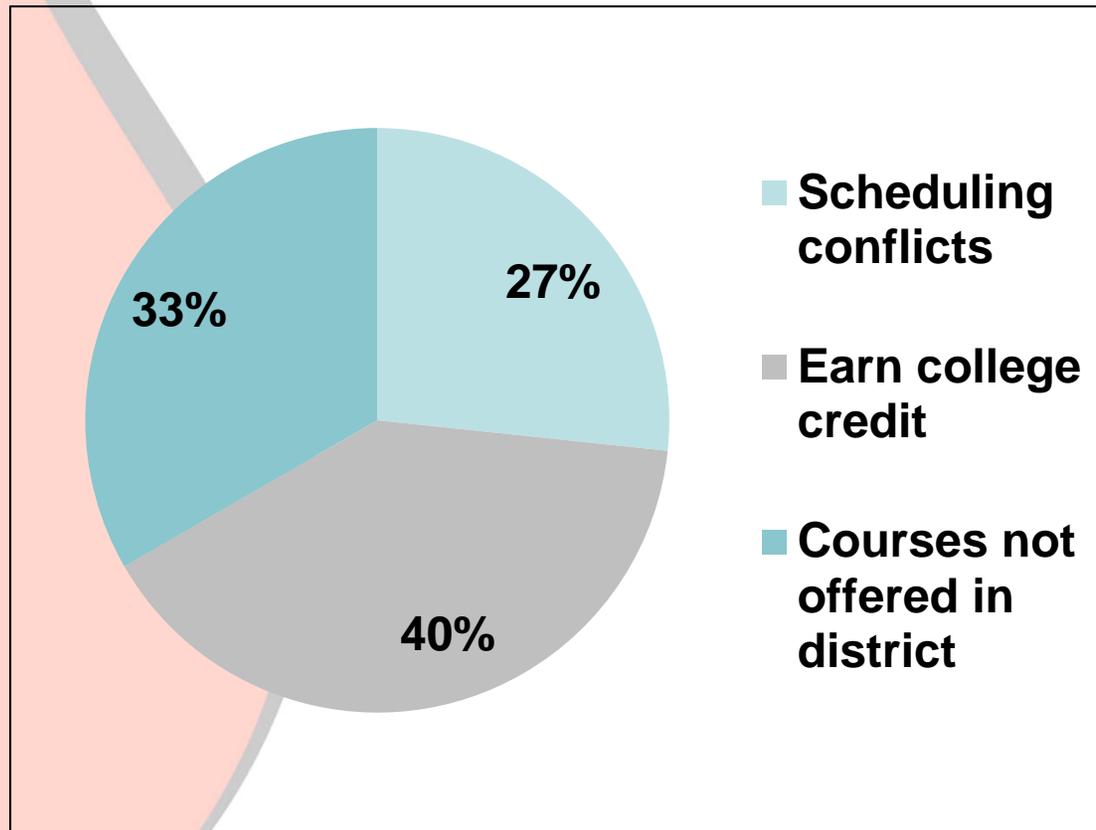


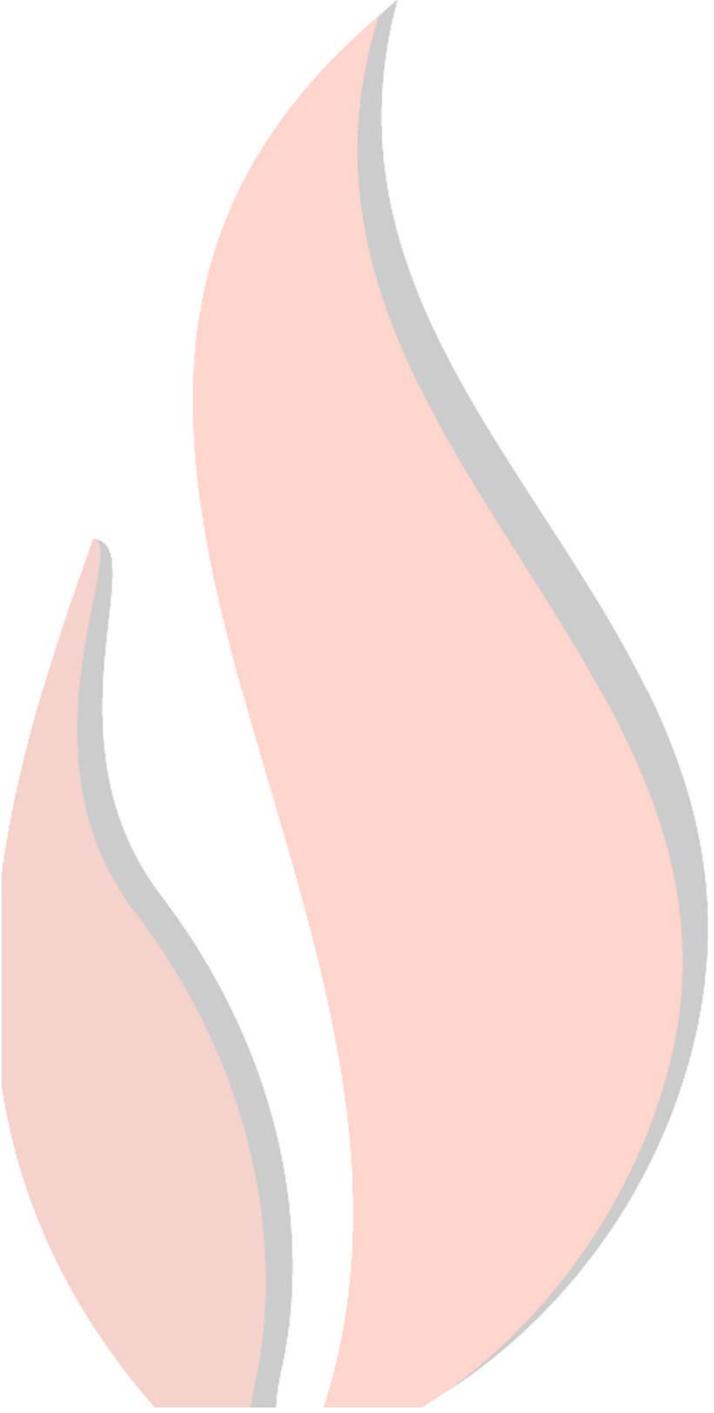
In which ways does your district use the South Dakota Virtual School?



District Feedback

Which of the following student populations in your district best represents the majority of students participating in SDVS courses?





Questions?