

Sauk Valley Community College
July 27, 2026

Action Item 4.7

Topic: **Commercial Driver’s License (CDL) Program Fee Adjustment**

College Health Metric: **Financial Stability – The College uses its revenue prudently while pursuing and utilizing alternative revenue streams. Investment in programs, personnel, processes, and infrastructure are carefully considered and supported by College Planning.**

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Presentation:

The Board approved the College's Fiscal Year 2027 tuition and fee schedule during its February 2026 meeting. Subsequent to that approval, the College's third-party Commercial Driver's License (CDL) instructional provider requested a temporary fuel surcharge due to increased diesel fuel costs associated with delivery of the CDL training program.

Administration reviewed the provider's request and evaluated the financial impact on both the College and students. Rather than adopting the requested surcharge, administration recommends a more moderate increase to the CDL course fee that will help offset increased instructional costs while continuing to provide an affordable workforce training program.

The proposed adjustment increases the CDL course fee from **\$269.00** to **\$279.50** per credit hour for academic terms beginning after **September 1, 2026**. This represents an increase of **\$10.50 per credit hour (3.9%)**, or approximately **\$126** for the 12-credit CDL program. Administration believes the proposed adjustment appropriately balances increased program delivery costs with the College's commitment to maintaining affordable workforce training opportunities.

Recommendation:

The administration recommends the Board approve the Commercial Driver's License (CDL) course fee increase to \$279.50 per credit hour, effective for academic terms beginning after September 1, 2026.